



LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting
Wednesday, August 21, 2024

Agenda Item

Item 7. B. – Biennial Solicitation for Legal Services

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Summary

In February 2024, the LMRWD solicited letters of interest from firms interested in providing legal services for the LMRWD. The LMRWD received proposals from 4 interested firms: current legal services providers, Rinke Noonan, Attorneys at Law, Flaherty Hood, Smith Partners and Ojanen Law Office. After conducting interviews with representatives from each candidate in April, the Board of Managers narrowed the field to two candidates: Rinke Noonan and Flaherty Hood. The Board was unable to select a proposal and tabled a decision to a future date.

At a subsequent meeting the Board continued the decision until the new appointment from Hennepin County was sworn in. It is anticipated that the new appointment from Hennepin County will be sworn in at the August Board of Managers meeting. The Board should set a date certain for Rinke Noonan and Flaherty Hood to present to the Board and make note of any specific information that they would like to have presented.

Attachments

[Proposal submitted to LMRWD by Flaherty | Hood P. A.](#)

[Proposal submitted to LMRWD by Rinke Noonan, Attorneys at Law](#)

Recommended Action

Set date to receive presentations by candidates to provide legal services.