MINUTES:  Yahara WINs Executive Committee meeting:

DATE:  9/13/2017

TIME:  3:10 PM (approx)

LOCATION:  MMSD Shop One Facility

SUBMITTED BY:  Greg Fries - Secretary

Executive Committee:

X  Kathy Lake, President
X  Greg Fries, Secretary
X  Jeff Rau, Treasurer
X  Tom Wilson
X  Gary Huth, Vice President
X  Laura Hicklin, Dane County Representative
X  Bob Uphoff, Yahara Pride Farms Representative
X  Paul Dearlove, Clean Lakes Alliance Representative
X  Dave Taylor, Yahara WINS Consulting Director

Others in attendance:  Brenda Ayres, Town of Burke, Rick Eilertson, AECOM, Jennifer Sereno MMSD, Stephanie Calkins MMSD

1)  Lake called the meeting to order at approximately 3:10 PM, welcoming all present.

2)  Review and acceptance of June 13, 2017 and June 28, 2017 meeting summaries. Rau moved approval, Second by Huth, the vote was called unanimous approval.

3)  Yahara WINS legal services – Lake led a discussion regarding the cost of legal services that have been incurred by WINS recently. Largely, an increase in cost had been experienced as Executive Committee staff and legal staff had been directed by the full Executive Committee to prepare a document to allow the creation and hiring of a private consultant as the Consulting Director. Paul Kent from Stafford and Rosenbaum completed that work and as the costs were higher than anticipated offered to provide a $1,000.00 deduction from the bill initially provided. Wilson made a motion to accept the deduction as offered and pay the revised bill, Second by Fries, the vote was called unanimous approval.

4)  Yahara WINS financial review and 2018 budget. Lake and Taylor led a brief discussion regarding the proposed budget indicated a draft would be available in advance of the next meeting. Huth requested that during the presentation of the proposed budget the information include more graphics to convey the information and to show year to year changes in specific areas. Also recommended was that
the budget provide information on the state of the reserve vs. the projected amount in the “planned” budget. Kathy and Dave agreed to work toward this with the next budget – perhaps not being fully implemented for the 2018 budget as that is only a few weeks away.

5) Additional discussion on items discussed at Yahara WINS Group Meeting:

   a) Logo/Annual Report/Video – no discussion
   b) Town of Burke – Wilson motioned to add town of Burke to the MOU, Second by Huth, the vote was called, unanimous approval.
   c) Columbia/Dane Co – no discussion
   d) Yahara Pride/CLA – no discussion
   e) MS4 Updates – no discussion
   f) USGS water report – no discussion
   g) Director’s report – Taylor reported that he would like to take his monthly detailed updates of his activities and reduce the frequency to approximately quarterly.
   h) other business – Jennifer Sereno introduced herself as the new communications director for the District. Her group has been assisting with the video and the new logo. She indicated she is happy to work with us as we move from a Pilot project to a force in the community, and offered to assist in getting the groups message out in an effort to garner additional support for the groups actions.

6) Adjourn – Motion to adjourn, seconded, unanimously approved.