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2 **Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Brown's Creek Watershed District Board of**
3 **Managers, July 17, 2008**

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5 **Joint Board/Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting to Discuss Land Conservation**
6 **Program**

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8 WCD Offices, 1380 W. Frontage Road, Hwy. 36
9 Stillwater, MN 55082

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11 **ROLL CALL**

Managers Present:	CAC Members Present	Others Present:
Craig Leiser, President	Tom Henderson	Karen Kill, Administrator,
Rick Vanzwol, Vice-President	Karen Richtman	Jay Riggs, WCD
Connie Taillon, Treasurer	Paul Richtman	Jyneen Thatcher, WCD/Resident
	Luanne Fogelson	
	Sharon Schwartz	
Absent: Gail Pundsack		
Absent: Gerald Johnson, Secretary		

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13 **1. Call Special Meeting to order**
14 Manager Vanzwol, CAC Liason, called the joint Board/CAC Meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

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16 **2. Introductions**

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18 **3. Land Conservation Program**
19 Jay Riggs, Washington Conservation District, gave a power point presentation highlighting the
20 process of developing a land conservation program. The District has good base information on
21 the natural resources. The goal of this meeting was to determine what criteria the District would
22 like to use during the natural resource assessment. However, the prioritization of those criteria
23 would be for a future meeting.

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25 Mr. Riggs described other land conservation program criteria, particularly the Washington
26 County program, DNR Regionally Significant Natural Resource Areas, and the Dakota County
27 program. All the criteria from these programs were listed and displayed on the walls, as well as
28 the additional criteria added by those present.

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30 All present received ten sticky dots and could put between 1-10 on the criteria they would like for
31 the land conservation program.
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BCWD Land Conservation Program Criteria	Score
Solves water quality problems	10
Groundwater recharge areas	8
Rare County Biological Survey Sites	5
Imminence of threat	5
Potential water quality benefits	5
High quality natural area	5
Patches of natural and semi-natural vegetation	5
Corridors of natural and semi-natural vegetation	5
Buffer - Shoreland Frontage	4
Preservation Plans	4
Likelihood for leveraging	4
Treasures/Within buffer around Treasures	4
Habitat size	4
Ground Water Sensitivity	3
Use all Dakota criteria	3
Rare natural community	3
Rare animal species present	3
Buffer - Vegetated stream corridor buffer	3
Buffer - Trout stream area	3
Wetland complexes	3
Forest Interior	2
Buffer	2
Showcase	2
Multiple public purpose	2
Wellhead protection areas	2
Buffer - Undeveloped lakeshore buffer	2
Grassland model	2
Erosion Prone Soils and Steep Slopes	1
Connectivity	1
Historical characteristics	1
Rare plant species present	1
Wetland model	1
Riverine corridor model	1
Forest model	1
Forest edge effect	1

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4. Next Steps

Summarize the chosen criteria. The group would also like to receive a summary of complimentary existing programs and/or protections in order to determine if a criteria is enhancing a current program or filling a gap where no programs exist. The next CAC meeting will be Thursday, September 18, 2008 to prioritize the criteria.

5. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by
Karen Kill, Administrator