

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-054**  
**Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District**  
**Board of Managers**

**Authorizing execution of a service agreement with Smith Partners PLLP to provide legal services to the RPBCWD for the years 2026 and 2027**

Manager Crafton offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Manager Duevel:

**WHEREAS** Minnesota Statute § 103B.227, Subd. 5. States that a request for proposals of services shall occur at least every two years; and

**WHEREAS** the RPBCWD Governance Manual states that this solicitation shall occur in odd numbered years; and

**WHEREAS** at its January 8, 2025, meeting the RPBCWD Board of Managers adopted resolution 25-008 authorizing the administrator to prepare and submit proposals; and

**WHEREAS** this solicitation was posted on the RPBCWD website, the League of MN Cities website, and published in the adopted official publications of the RPBCWD between March 2, 2023 and March 23, 2023; and

**WHEREAS** one proposal was provided in response from Smith Partners, PLLP; and

**WHEREAS** the Smith Partners' proposal, as well as prior service to the RPBCWD, demonstrates the necessary qualifications, skills, and resources to provide legal services to RPBCWD;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the RPBCWD Board of Managers authorizes the President, with advice of counsel, to enter the attached services agreement with Smith Partners PLLP, as finalized with such nonsubstantive changes as are necessary to implement the intent of the managers and the Services.

The question was on the adoption of the resolution and there were 4 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 absence as follows:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
CRAFTON	X			
DUEVEL	X			
NELSON				X
PEDERSEN	X			
STOVRING	X			

Upon vote, the president declared the resolution adopted on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2025.

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I, Jill Crafton, secretary of the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District, hereby certifies that I have compared the above resolution with the original thereof as the same appears of record and on file with RPBCWD and find the same to be a true and correct transcription thereof, and further that the resolution is in full force and effect on this date, and Resolution 25-054 has not been modified, amended or rescinded since its adoption.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I set my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2025.

  
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Jill Crafton, Secretary