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for that purpose, and in addition thereto, his actual and necessary expenses incurred therein.

(4) The county auditor, the attorney for the petitioners and the clerk of the district court, shall each be paid such reasonable compensation for services actually rendered as may be fixed by the board or court; and the fees and compensation of all county officials in drainage proceedings shall be in addition to all sums and fees allowed by law.

(5) The cost of petitioners' bond.
[1975 c 301 s 2]

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1974]

CHAPTER 115. WATER POLLUTION CONTROL; SANITARY DISTRICTS

Sec.
115.17 Repealed.
115.71 Definitions.

Sec.
115.74 Water supply and wastewater treatment operators certification council.

115.17 [Repealed, 1975 c 61 s 26]

115.71 **Definitions.**

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.1974]

Subd. 4. "Council" means the board of water and wastewater treatment operators certification established by section 115.74.

[1975 c 271 s 4]

[For text of subds 5 to 10, see M.S.1974]

115.74 Water supply and wastewater treatment operators certification council.

Subdivision 1. The board of water and wastewater treatment operators certification shall be composed of six members. The governor shall appoint four members as follows: A currently employed water supply system operator holding a valid certificate issued by the secretary; a currently employed wastewater treatment facility operator holding a valid certificate issued by the director; a university or college faculty member whose major field is related to water supply or wastewater collection and treatment; and a representative of the league of Minnesota municipalities. The remainder of the board shall be composed of the following persons: A representative of the state department of health who is either the director of the division of environmental health or a qualified member of his staff; the director of the Minnesota pollution control agency or a qualified member of his staff. In the case of the first board, the appointments of a water supply system operator and a wastewater treatment facility operator shall be made from currently employed operators holding valid certificates under the voluntary certification program administered by the state department of health and the Minnesota pollution control agency.

Subd. 2. Membership terms, compensation of members, removal of members, the filling of membership vacancies, and fiscal year and reporting requirements shall be as provided in sections 214.07 to 214.09.

Subd. 3. When new members are appointed to the board a chairman shall be elected at the next board meeting. The state department of health representative or other representative designated by the board shall serve as secretary of the board, except that the secretary shall be responsible for maintaining records relating to certification of water supply system operators and the

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Minnesota pollution control agency shall be responsible for maintaining records relating to certification of wastewater treatment facility operators.

Subd. 4. The board shall cause at least one examination to be held each year for the purpose of examining candidates for certification at a time and place designated by the board. Those applicants whose competency is acceptable to the board shall be recommended to the secretary or the director for certification. Additional meetings may be called by the chairman as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 115.71 to 115.82. Four members shall constitute a quorum.

[1975 c 136 s 74; 1975 c 271 s 5]

CHAPTER 116. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

Sec.

116.18 Water pollution control funds; appropriations and bonds.

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Subdivision 1. Appropriation from the fund. The sum of \$95,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Minnesota state water pollution control fund in the state treasury to the pollution control agency, for the period commencing on July 23, 1971 and ending June 30, 1977, to be granted and disbursed to municipalities and agencies of the state in aid of the construction of projects conforming to section 116.16, in accordance with the rules, priorities, and criteria therein described. Except as otherwise provided in subdivision 2, these state funds shall be expended at 15 per centum of the eligible cost of construction and shall be expended only for projects tendered a grant of federal funds under section 201(g), section 202, section 203 or section 206(f) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1314 et seq., at 75 per centum of the eligible cost for construction of the treatment works; provided, that not less than 10 percent of such cost shall be paid by the municipality or agency constructing the project. In the event that a municipality is tendered such federal and state grants in a percentage cumulatively exceeding 90 per centum of the eligible cost of construction, the state pollution control agency shall reduce the grant to such municipality under this chapter to the extent necessary to assure that not less than 10 percent of such cost shall be paid by said municipality. It is the purpose of this appropriation that a grant of state funds for each project approved in each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1971 through 1977, shall be made in an amount not less than that required in federal law and regulations as a condition for the grant of federal funds for the project and for all other water pollution control projects for which federal grants are allocated in the same year, in the maximum amount permissible under such law and regulations.

Notwithstanding any other provision, the agency may, in its discretion, and after consideration of the amount of state funds required to match federal funds, make a grant of state funds not exceeding 25 per centum to a municipality that would qualify for a grant of federal funds but desires to initiate construction of a project without a federal grant where such project is necessary to abate an immediate health hazard. The agency may limit the scope and eligible cost of such project.

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1974]

Subd. 4. Bond authorization. For the purpose of providing money appropriated in subdivision 1 for expenditure from the Minnesota state water pollution control fund through grants to municipalities and agencies of the state for the acquisition and betterment of public land, buildings, and improvements of a capital nature needed for the prevention, control, and abatement of water pollution, the commissioner of finance is authorized upon request of the pollution control agency to sell and issue Minnesota state water pollution control bonds