

Seine-Rat River Conservation District

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MINUTES

#10 – 05: Board Meeting

October 18, 2005

Present: Cornie Goertzen - SD 4 Chairman
Jean Gagnon - SD 6 Chairman
Laurie Evans - SD 8 Chairman
Patrick Watson - Manager
Jake N. Friesen - SD 4 Vice-Chairman
Chris Goertzen - SD 7 Chairman
Art Bergmann - SD 9 Chairman
Rita Bazin - Financial Administrator

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Cornie Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:00 am

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

108-2005: Laurie Evans - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda be hereby approved

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

109-2005: Art Bergmann - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the September 20, 2005 meeting be hereby adopted

CARRIED

IV. DEFERRED BUSINESS

a) Invoice from A.M.M. - The Chair advises that this matter was discussed at the last MCDA Board meeting. It seems that the majority of the MCDA Board Members were not in favor of paying the membership fee since the municipalities already pay it and this does not seem to provide any additional benefits other than for liability insurance purposes. Joe Masi from A.M.M. will be invited to attend the next MCDA meeting in November to justify this fee. This matter is again deferred until more information is received.

V. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

a) Feasibility of purchasing a tree planting spade - Board consensus is that this spade will not be required enough to warrant the purchase.

VI. FINANCE

110-2005: Chris Goertzen - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the list of expenditures to August 16, 2005 be approved as per list:

Cheque #1132 to 1155: \$47,644.05

CARRIED

111-2005: Art Bergmann - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED that the Visa card credit limit be extended to \$5,000.00, to be divided equally between the Financial Administrator and the Manager

CARRIED

112-2005: Jean Gagnon - Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the purchase of a new HP LaserJet fax/copier machine for the office
CARRIED

b) Financial Statement for 6 months ending September 30, 2005

113-2005: Art Bergmann - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement to September 30, 2005 be adopted
CARRIED

c) 2006-07 Draft Budget - Revision

114-2005: Art Bergmann - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the amended 2006-07 draft budget
CARRIED

The Order-In-Council changes some regulations including ownership status and the loan on the 2002 GMC truck. Staff will check the viability of paying the balance owing on the truck loan.

115-2005: Laurie Evans - Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT procedures be undertaken to transfer the Autopac policy on the 2002 GMC truck which is now under the name of the R.M. of La Broquerie, to the SRRCD
CARRIED

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

116-2005: Jean Gagnon - Art Bergmann

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager's report be hereby adopted as presented
CARRIED

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

a) Work Orders - For approval

117-2005: Laurie Evans - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves Work Order #05-102: R.M. of Ste. Anne / DeJong ditch
CARRIED

118-2005: Laurie Evans - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby accepts the recommendation made by Sub-District 8 and approves Work Order #05-809: Repairs to Forest Road 13 South of Marchand
CARRIED

119-2005: Chris Goertzen - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves Work Order #05-810: Rotational Grazing - NE ¼ and SW¼ 3-5-8E
CARRIED

120-2005: Art Bergmann - Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the Manning Canal and Johnson Drain provincial partnership project providing that an agreement is made with the land owners for maintenance of the buffer strip
CARRIED

121-2005: Art Bergmann - Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD pay the R.M. of Ste. Anne's contribution portion of \$13,700 for the Forest Road 13 maintenance project agreement
DEFEATED

122-2005: Laurie Evans - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves expenses to be incurred regarding an ad for sealing abandoned wells to be sent out to district landowners

CARRIED

Stan Toews, Vice-Chair for Sub-district 7, is present to explain three potential projects for next year by the SRRCD which involve cleaning and maintaining provincial drains. This would require a partnership with the Province of Manitoba in three specific areas.

b) Proposal to purchase land for retaining water - The Chair advises that he had a conversation with the owner of two 80-acre parcels which are ideal for water retention. The Board consensus is that the Chair continues negotiations with the owner and drafts an offer to purchase before the next Board meeting.

c) Watershed Stewardship: Management Instruments for Success Workshop - More information required for the next meeting.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Conservation Districts of Manitoba 2004-2005 Annual Report - For information

b) Rivers West - Red River Corridor Inc. - Workshop - For information

c) MCDA - Convention Update - For Information

d) *Save our Seine* Fundraiser - Upcoming Social

123-2005: Jake Friesen - Art Bergmann

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD purchase two tickets to the *Save our Seine* fundraising social on November 26th

CARRIED

X. NEXT MEETING - November 15th at 9:00 am

XI. ADJOURNMENT

124-2005: Jake Friesen - Art Bergmann

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be hereby adjourned at 11:30 am

CARRIED

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman

Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator