

Seine-Rat River Conservation District

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MINUTES

#11 – 05: Board Meeting

November 15, 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

125-2005: Chris Goertzen - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda be hereby approved with an addition under
CORRESPONDENCE: k) Copy of letter from Minister of Water Stewardship to MCDA

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

126-2005: Jean Gagnon - Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the October 18th, 2005 meeting be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

IV. DELEGATION: North / South Consultants - cancelled due to bad weather.

V. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

a) Pursuant to the MCDA meeting held on November 1st, the Chair advises that the MCDA Board decided that it is feasible that the Associate Membership fee be paid by the conservation districts. The Board consensus is to pay the fee accordingly.

b) A reminder is given to the Board Members regarding the upcoming MCDA convention.

VI. FINANCE

127-2005: Jake Friesen - Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the list of expenditures be hereby approved as follows:

Cheque #1156 to 1185: \$33,585.69.

CARRIED

128-2005: Chris Goertzen - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement to October 30, 2005 be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

A copy of the Second Quarter Report, as submitted to the province, has been circulated to Board Members as information.

VII. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

129-2005: Art Bergmann - Jean Gagnon

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

CARRIED

VIII. **SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS** - There were no sub-district meetings in the past month.

IX. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) Work Orders - For approval

130-2005: Laurie Evans - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves applications for sealing abandoned wells as follows: Ron Peters, Allen Durocher, Sean Peters, Heinz Reimer, and Alan Brydges.

CARRIED

131-2005: Jean Gagnon - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves Work Order #05-802: A grassed waterway project.

CARRIED

132-2005: Jean Gagnon - Art Bergmann

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves Work Order #05-803: A water retention project.

CARRIED

The manager advises that he has also received a request for assistance with a small dyke on private property. However, the Board is advised that Sub-District 7 denied this project and the consensus is that these projects do not fall under the SRRCD mandate.

b) Offer to purchase land

133-2005: Jake Friesen - Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby make an offer to purchase E½ of SW ¼ 21-5-7E and S ½ of NW ¼ 21-5-7E for \$100 per acre upon receipt of a requested appraisal;

AND THAT as part of the offer, taxes be paid to December 31 by owner;

AND THAT all legal fees and appraisal costs be borne by the SRRCD;

AND ALSO BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorizes the Chair and Financial Administrator to sign this Offer to Purchase Real Estate form.

CARRIED

c) R.M. of Ste. Anne - Received is a letter advising that Sub-District 8 & 9 Committee Members have been re-appointed for 2006 and 2007.

d) Appointment of Board Members

134-2005: Art Bergmann - Jake Friesen

WHEREAS new partners will be joining the SRRCD on April 1st, 2006 which will have an impact on sub-district membership;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the current appointments of the Board Members carry on until new members are appointed to the SRRCD in April, 2006.

CARRIED

e) Manitoba Conservation - License Occupation Agreement re Marchand Nature Trail

135-2005: Jean Gagnon - Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves License of Occupation No. 50179 Marchand Nature Trail (Pt. SE¼ 11-6-8E) as submitted by Manitoba Conservation Lands Branch and that the Chair be hereby authorized to sign the said license.

CARRIED

f) MCDA - Boundary Workshop

136-2005: Chris Goertzen - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegates the Manager and Board Member Jean Gagnon to attend the Boundary Workshop per information received.

CARRIED

g) MCDA - The Board agrees to submit the following concern to the Minister to be addressed at a Bear Pit Session to be held at the MCDA Convention.:

Being a fast growing CD, the Board would like to see a commitment for increased provincial funding to meet the needs of an ever increasing list of projects.

For the second question, the Board will continue to work on another one to send to Wendy.

137-2005: Art Bergmann - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegates the Chair, Vice-Chair and Manager to assist at the Bear Pit Session at the MCDA convention as per information received.

CARRIED

h) Renewal of License of Occupation for wildlife habitat development

138-2005: Jake Friesen - Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board has no objections to an application to renew existing license of occupation for wildlife habitat development as submitted by Seven Oaks Game & Fish Association.

CARRIED

i) Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre

139-2005: Laurie Evans - Jake Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby sponsor a maximum of 15 schools who would be interested in the Watershed Ecovan school presentations organized by Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre.

CARRIED

j) Red River Basin - Workshops - For information - No one intends to attend.

k) Red River Basin Commission - Conference

140-2005: Jean Gagnon - Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board members and staff be hereby authorized to attend the Red River Basin Land & Water International Conference as per information received.

CARRIED

l) Save Our Seine

141-2005: Jean Gagnon - Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board Members and staff be hereby authorized to attend the Save Our Seine Inc. - Seine River Greenway Map Launch.

CARRIED

X. CORRESPONDENCE

a) R.M. of Taché - Letter re membership & contributions - Received as information.

b) Erosion Control & Water Quality Conference - Received as information.

c) MWS Red River Region - Letter advising of backlog in processing an application submitted by the SRRCD for a License to construct drainage works in NW¼ 17-6-7E.

d) MCDA - Follow-up from CD Budget Report Meeting - Received as information.

e) Manitoba Conservation - Copy of a letter sent to a landowner, regarding an infraction under the Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulations. The offense involves cattle being allowed access within the embankment of the Seine River. Pursuant to information

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received, the Board instructs the Manager to contact the landowner in question to offer assistance in remedial action.

- f) Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation with a copy of the 2004/05 Annual Report - Received as information.
- g) MWS, Resource Planner with copy of WWCD Board Minutes - Received as information.
- h) MCDA - Copy of letter sent to Dwight Williamson, Water Science & Management Branch re discussion document entitled *Regulation under the Manitoba Water Protection Act* - respecting water quality management zones for nutrients - Received as information.
- i) UMA Engineering - Invitation to a reception in Winnipeg - Received as information.
- j) Manitoba Water Stewardship - copy of the information sent to municipalities re expansion
- k) Minister of Water Stewardship responding to MCDA regarding future funding proposal for the conservation districts program and drainage enforcement - Copy of letter received as information.

XI. NEXT MEETING - December 20th at 9:00 am

XII. ADJOURNMENT

142-2005: Laurie Evans - Jean Gagnon

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

CARRIED

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman

Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator