

**Seine-Rat River Conservation District**  
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**MINUTES**

**7 - 06: Board Meeting**

**July 18, 2006**

**Present:** Cornie Goertzen - SD 4 Chairman  
Jean Gagnon - SD 6 Chairman  
Laurie Evans - SD 8 Chairman  
Patrick Watson - Manager  
**Absent:** Maurice Leclaire - SD 9 Chairman

Claude Gagné - SD 4 Vice-Chairman  
Chris Goertzen - SD 7 Chairman  
Rita Bazin - Financial Administrator

Also present: Phyllis Creedon, Councillor - R.M. of Reynolds  
Neil Warkentin, Councillor - R.M. of Hanover

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Cornie Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**064-2006: Laurie Evans – Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby approved as distributed.

**CARRIED**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**065 -2006: Claude Gagné – Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on June 20, 2006 be hereby adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**IV. DELEGATION**

a) Gordon Daman – Red River Appraisal Services is present to discuss and answer questions regarding property market values in the area.

**V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Goertzen gives his report of activities since the last meeting, including the Beaver Management Workshop.

**VI. FINANCE**

a) Expenditures - For approval.

**066-2006: Jean Gagnon – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the list of expenditures as follows:  
*Cheque #1394-1418 for a total of \$35,377.30*

**CARRIED**

b) Financial statement for month ending June 30, 2006.

**067-2006: Claude Gagné – Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Report for month ending June 30, 2006 be hereby adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

c) 2005-2006 Audited Financial Statement for year ending March 31, 2006

**068-2006: Jean Gagnon – Chris Goertzen**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2005-2006 Audited Financial Statement for year ending March 31, 2006 is hereby received. **CARRIED**

**VII. MANAGER'S REPORT**

**069-2006: Laurie Evans – Claude Gagné**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager's Report be hereby accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

**VIII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS**

SD 8 – Laurie Evans gives his sub-district's report. He advises that at their July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting, the main discussion was about concerns involving the *Giroux Bog*. Before any of these concerns can be addressed by the Board, more information is required regarding regulations pertaining to peat moss removal and regulation adherence.

The Manager is directed to compile information on the removal of peat moss, i.e. regulations, permits, ramification of extractions of peat moss, opportunities for municipal input, property ownership of the area where the peat moss has been extracted, and what are the future plans.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

a) Work Orders – Program Applications

**070-2006: Chris Goertzen – Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the twelve applications received for the sealing of abandoned wells. **CARRIED**

b) Manitoba Hydro Forest Enhancement Program - Application

**071-2006: Laurie Evans – Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD hereby apply for funding under the Manitoba Hydro Forest Enhancement Program. **CARRIED**

c) Land Purchase

Neil Warkentin excuses himself due to a potential conflict of interest and leaves the room.

The Board Members discuss the feasibility of purchasing a specific parcel of land which would be an ideal water retention area vs. the asking price of the said parcel. The Board consensus is that the Conservation District's role is to be involved in assisting the municipalities in identifying suitable water retention areas and in determining restrictions and guidelines for such areas.

**072-2006: Chris Goertzen – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Seine-Rat River Conservation District hereby requests the municipalities to create a *Water Retention* category to be added to their Development Plan which would be suitable for submission to the province. **CARRIED**

Neil Warkentin returns to the boardroom.

Claude Gagné leaves at 10:50.

**X. CORRESPONDENCE**

a) MCDA – Meeting with PFRA – Invitation to a meeting hosted by MCDA with PFRA

b) Turtle Mountain CD – Southwest Manitoba Water Festival – Received as info

XI. NEXT MEETING – August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006

XII. ADJOURNMENT

073-2006: Chris Goertzen – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be hereby declared adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

**CARRIED**

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**Cornie Goertzen, Chairman**

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**Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator**