

Seine-Rat River Conservation District

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MINUTES

9 - 06: Board Meeting

September 19, 2006

Present: Cornie Goertzen - SD 4 Chairman
Jean Gagnon - SD 6 Chairman
Laurie Evans - SD 8 Chairman
Rita Bazin - Financial Administrator
Phyllis Creedon, Councillor - R.M. of Reynolds
Sheldon Anderson, Resource Planner
Claude Gagné - SD 4 Vice-Chairman
Chris Goertzen - SD 7 Chairman
Maurice Leclaire - SD 9 Chairman
Patrick Watson - Manager

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

079-2006: Jean Gagnon – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

080-2006: Maurice Leclaire – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on August 15, 2006 be hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Stan Toews, Councillor for the R.M. of Hanover is present to provide an update regarding a property the SRRCD intended to purchase as a water retention area. He confirms that the owner of this property has accepted another offer which is subject to the approval of a Conditional Use application from the R.M. of Hanover to use the site for composting. The Manager is designated to acquire more information on the intended use of this property. If the current offer to purchase should fall through, the Board adopts the following motion:

081-2006: Chris Goertzen – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD offers to purchase the property described as the SE¼ 36-5-6E effective October 2nd with no conditions.

CARRIED

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Cornie Goertzen gives his report.

V. FINANCE

a) Expenditures - For approval.

082 -2006: Chris Goertzen – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the list of expenditures as follows:
Cheque #1444 - 1468 for a total of \$29,137.13

CARRIED

b) Financial statement for month ending August 31, 2006.

083-2006: Laurie Evans – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for month ending August 31, 2006 be hereby adopted as presented.

CARRIED

VI. MANAGER'S REPORT**084-2006: Maurice Leclaire – Claude Gagné**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager's Report be accepted as read.

CARRIED

Sheldon Anderson, Resource Planner for Manitoba Water Stewardship's Conservation Districts Program gives an update on the activities in his office:

Some vacant positions will need to be filled, and one of the positions will be transferred to Winnipeg, where this area's Resource Planner will probably be located in the near future.

The SRRCD's request to purchase land to be used as a water retention area has been approved by Manitoba Water Stewardship.

The 2007-2008 Budget presentation will be in Winnipeg this year and it is recommended that the Board send at least 2 or 3 Board Members to make the presentation, as the Board Members makes this presentation and not staff members.

VII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

SD 9 – Maurice Leclaire reports that one of the issues and potential projects discussed at their September 14th sub-district meeting includes a recommendation for the Lavallée Road Drain flood protection project. Survey work and cost estimates have been received and Sub-District 9 Members recommend that the project be undertaken and that a request be obtained from the R.M. of Taché to contribute an additional \$10,000 for the project which would be above the anticipated municipal levy.

085-2006: Maurice Leclaire – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby accepts the recommendation submitted by Sub-District 9 and approves to undertake the Lavallée Road Drain Project subject to the R.M. of Taché's subsequent approval and contribution of \$10,000 for the said project.

CARRIED

SD 4 – Cornie Goertzen gives his report. Two councillors from the R.M. of Stuartburn attended last night's sub-district meeting to discuss potential projects involving their municipality. Issues pertaining to the Can-Mart Drain and the diversion around St. Pierre-Jolys were also discussed. The consensus was that a feasibility study for a flood protection project involving the diversion around St. Pierre-Jolys is required at this time and therefore the recommendation is that the Board approve to contribute approximately \$10,000 for a feasibility study.

086-2006: Claude Gagné – Cornie Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby accepts the recommendation submitted by Sub-District 4 and approves to pay for a feasibility study for the Flood Protection Diversion around St. Pierre-Jolys project.

CARRIED

A discussion ensues on the feasibility of getting involved in licensing issues: the Manager needs to obtain information from Henry Daniels as to the CD's capacities in these matters.

A consensus is also reached regarding appointments: that a letter should be sent to the partner municipalities requesting them to appoint an alternate person when nominating their sub-district members.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

a) Office Rental Agreement

087-2006: Claude Gagné – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a change to the rent agreement for the SRRCD office with the R.M. of La Broquerie and agrees to pay for 1200 square feet as requested by the R.M. of La Broquerie.

CARRIED

b) Work Orders

The Manager distributes and reviews the list of the SRRCD 2006/07 Project Summary.

088-2006: Maurice Leclaire – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby accepts the recommendation submitted by Sub-District 6 and approves an expenditure of up to \$15,000 for the purchase of five screw gates for the Alarie Road/Tourond Creek project. **CARRIED**

c) 2007/2008 Draft Budget

089-2006: Claude Gagné – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of the SRRCD hereby adopts the Draft 2007-2008 Budget Summary and Funding Sources as discussed. **CARRIED**

090-2006: Claude Gagné – Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Cornie Goertzen, Laurie Evans and Maurice Leclaire are hereby delegated to the 2007-2008 Budget presentation to the Commission.

CARRIED

Chris Goertzen leaves at 11:20 a.m.

d) Canadian Water Resources Association – Two Day Forum

091-2006: Laurie Evans – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT two Board Members and the Manager be hereby delegated to attend the Canadian Water Resources Association's Forum.

CARRIED

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) MB. Water Stewardship/Oak Hammock Marsh – Invitation to the F.E.I. Fisheries Stamp Reception & Unveiling. Two places have already been reserved. If Board Members cannot attend, staff is instructed to find sub-district members who can attend.
- b) MB. Water Stewardship – The final payment has been received from F.E.I. for Rat River study.
- c) MCDA – 2005-2006 Activities – A copy has been distributed to the Board as information.
- d) R.M. of De Salaberry – The SRRCD has received a copy of a letter sent to Gilbert Forest in response to a petition regarding the Moose Creek, Mosquito Creek and St. Malo Drain drainage – Received as information.

X. NEXT MEETING – October 17th, 2006

XI. ADJOURNMENT

092-2006: Maurice Leclaire – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be hereby declared adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

CARRIED

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman

Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator