

# **Seine-Rat River Conservation District**

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## **MINUTES**

### **2 - 06: Board Meeting**

**February 21, 2006**

**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 and welcomes the following: Larry Bugera, Bill Remenda, Cyril Inman, Claude Gagne, Marie-Therese Lefevre, and Maurice LeClaire representing the Rural Municipalities of De Salaberry and Ritchot and the Village of St-Pierre-Jolys.

#### **II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

##### **008 - 2006: Laurie Evans - Jake Friesen**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby approved with the following addition made under NEW BUSINESS: f) MOU with the Province of Manitoba - For Board approval.

**CARRIED**

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

##### **009 - 2006: Jake Friesen - Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on January 17, 2006 be hereby adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

#### **IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reports on issues discussed pursuant to the MCDA meeting held on February 7, 2006 in Brandon.

#### **V. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

a) A copy of a letter sent to the Minister of Conservation and the Director of Manitoba Environmental Assessment & Licensing Branch re Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Inc. proposal as sent by the SRRCD is distributed to the Board members for the Board's information.

Chris Goertzen submits a copy of a similar letter sent by the City of Steinbach, also for the Board's information.

b) Letter sent by the Manager to councils of the Town of Ste. Anne, the rural municipalities of Ritchot and DeSalaberry and the Village of St. Pierre-Jolys explaining the need for council appointments - copies were given to Board members as information.

#### **VI. FINANCE**

##### **010 - 2006: Chris Goertzen - Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the following expenditures:

*Cheque #1250 - 1278 for a total of \$34,800.20*

**CARRIED**

**011-2006: Jean Gagnon - Art Bergmann**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby adopts the Financial Statement for the month ending January 31, 2006. **CARRIED**

**012-2006: Art Bergmann - Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby accept the quotation as submitted by Meyers Norris Penny for the SRRCD 2005-2006 year end audit. **CARRIED**

**013-2006: Jake Friesen - Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approve in principle, the proposal made by MCDA to put out a Request for Proposal to accounting firms for services to audit Conservation Districts and MCDA. **CARRIED**

**VII. MANAGER'S REPORT**

**014-2006 : Laurie Evans - Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby adopts the Manager's report as presented. **CARRIED**

**VIII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS**

Laurie Evans gives a report pursuant to the February 14<sup>th</sup> sub-district 8 meeting.

**015-2006: Laurie Evans - Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a letter be sent to Manitoba Conservation requesting updates on any changes to, or closure of the existing operations at Premier Peat Moss Ltd. in the R.M. of Ste. Anne. **CARRIED**

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

a) Work Orders for approval - None to approve.

b) Hiring a new staff person - The matter is referred to the human resource committee for recommendation - the matter has already been decided - the committee's mandate will be to get a short list for the next board meeting.

c) Manager's Meeting

**016-2006: Jake Friesen - Art Bergmann**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegate the Manager to attend the Manager's annual meeting. **CARRIED**

d) Hometown Green Team

**017-2006: Laurie Evans - Jean Gagnon**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the two positions applied for under the Home Town Green Team program. **CARRIED**

e) SESCO - Request for funds for the continuation of the 2006 water quality monitoring program. The matter is deferred until the next meeting. More information is required.

f) MOU between the Province of Manitoba and the SRRCD for the designation of a Water Planning Authority and for the development and implementation of an Integrated Watershed Management Plan for the Seine River Watershed - a copy of the document is given to the Board members.

**118-2006: Laurie Evans - Chris Goertzen**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorizes the Chairman to sign the MOU with the Province of Manitoba which designates the Board of Directors of the SRRCD as the Water Planning Authority of the Seine River watershed and initiates the development of an IWMP for the Seine River watershed.

**CARRIED**

**X. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Canada Revenue Agency - SRRCD has been officially registered as a charitable organization. For info
- b) Manitoba Agriculture - Thanking for support to Crop Day held February 9<sup>th</sup>.
- c) Manitoba Agriculture - Thanking for support to Forage Day, February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- d) Upcoming meetings to discuss proposed nutrient management regulations. For info
- e) Rivers West - Red River Corridor Association - Workshops. For info
- f) MCDA - Copy of letter sent to Manitoba Pork Council for sponsoring lunch at MCDA conference.
- g) East Souris River Watershed Management Plan - Copy sent by Turtle Mountain CD. For info
- h) Manitoba Agriculture - GO Team meeting. For info
- i) IISD - re: Adaptive Policies for Agriculture and Water Resources - The Manager will participate in request if required.
- j) Loewen, Henderson, Banman, Driedger - Update on land purchase.
- k) R.M. of Ritchot - Council appointments to the SRRCD sub-districts. For info
- l) Copy of letter from R.M. of Hanover to Manitoba Water Stewardship. For info

**XI. NEXT MEETING - March 21, 2006**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**019:2006: Art Bergmann - Chris Goertzen**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be hereby declared adjourned at 10:20 am

**CARRIED**

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**Cornie Goertzen, Chairman**

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**Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator**