

SEINE-RAT RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES

01 - 08: Board Meeting

January 15, 2008

Present: Cornie Goertzen - SD 3/4 Chairman Claude Gagné – SD 3/4 Vice-Chairman
Gerry Maynard – SD 5 Chairman Paul Perreault – SD 6 Chairman
Rod Beckman – SD 7 Vice-Chairman Bob Brandt – SD 8 Vice-Chairman
Maurice Leclaire – SD 9 Chairman
Kristy-Layne Carr – Manager Jodi Goerzen – Technician
Rita Bazin – Financial Administrator

Also Present: Edwood Oswald – SD 6 Member Marc Hamonic – SD 3/4 Member
Art Bergmann – SD 9 Member Chris Goertzen – City of Steinbach

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Cornie Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

001-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby approved with the following item added under *NEW BUSINESS*: Delegation to Management of Municipal Waste Seminar.

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

002-2008: Gerry Maynard – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on December 10, 2007 be hereby approved as circulated.

CARRIED

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Goertzen reports on his activities for the past month.

V. FINANCE

a) Expenditures - For approval.

003-2008: Gerry Maynard – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the expenditures as follows:
Cheque #2031-2065 for a total of \$65,756.26.

CARRIED

b) Financial Statement/3rd Quarter Report – to December 31, 2007

004-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the month ending December 31, 2007 be hereby adopted at presented.

CARRIED

A copy of the written report to be submitted to the Manitoba Water Stewardship on a quarterly basis has also been circulated to the Board members as information.

VI. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

The sub-district reports include the following:

Paul Perreault, SD 6 advises that the SRRCD office has received a letter from the R.M. of La Broquerie supporting a proposed project at P.T.H. 302 & 25N (Work Order 6004).

Maurice Leclaire, SD 9, requests funds to complete Work Order 9001-Water Retention Project.

005-2008: Paul Perreault – Claude Gagné

WHEREAS the information on which the contractor's quote was based for Work Order #9001 was inaccurate;

AND WHEREAS proper materials (i.e. clay) were not as easily accessible as previously anticipated;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves an additional expenditure of \$34,000.

CARRIED

006-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Rod Beckman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegates Art Bergmann to attend the Management of Municipal Waste seminar on behalf of the Seine-Rat River Conservation District and that he be reimbursed according to SRRCD rates.

CARRIED

VII. DELEGATION

Present are Wayne Hildebrand, Manager of Watershed Programs & Planning Section, Department of Water Stewardship and Patrick Watson, Watershed Planner of Watershed Programs & Planning Section. Wayne Hildebrand explains the contents of the *Framework for the Future*, the discussion document which was drawn up by the Conservation Districts Commission. A questionnaire was handed out for comments.

Chris Goertzen leaves at 11:15 a.m.

The meeting is adjourned for lunch at 12:30 and reconvenes at 1:10 with the following present:

Board Members: Cornie Goertzen, Claude Gagné, Gerry Maynard, Paul Perreault, Rod Beckman, Bob Brandt, Maurice Leclaire

Staff: Kristy-Layne Carr, Jodi Goerzen, Rita Bazin

Sub-District Members: Edwood Oswald and Marc Hamonic

VIII. MANAGER'S REPORT

007-2008: Claude Gagné – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager and Technician be hereby authorized to attend a meeting scheduled for managers and technicians.

CARRIED

008-2008: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a quote of \$1,400 + taxes submitted by Echo Drilling to seal an abandoned well in the Randolph area.

CARRIED

009-2008: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire

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

CARRIED

IX. NEW BUSINESS

a) Minister of Water Stewardship – CD Program: Framework for the Future. The letter The letter is read and received as information.

b) Manitoba Water Stewardship – Copy of letter to the R.M. of DeSalaberry. A copy has been circulated to the Board members and is received as information.

c) Manitoba Water Stewardship – Groundwater Management Planning Group meeting

010-2008: Bob Brandt – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chairman be hereby delegated to attend the Groundwater Management Planning Group meeting on behalf of the SRRCD on January 21st.

CARRIED

Edwood Oswald leaves at 1:30 p.m.

- d) Manitoba Water Stewardship re Proposed Levies for Roseau River C.D. – Deferred
- e) R.M. of Piney – Decision re Membership. – The letter read as information.

f) Oak Hammock Marsh – School presentations

011-2008: Claude Gagné – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a sponsorship of \$6,000 for the Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre – Environmental Education school presentations.

CARRIED

Gerry Maynard and Marc Hamonic leave at 2:00 p.m.

g) ESRI – Quote to upgrade ESRI software

012-2008: Paul Perrault – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves an expenditure of \$2,975.00 to upgrade the SRRCD's current ESRI software and staff training as per quotation from ESRI Canada.

CARRIED

h) Green Gold Program – for 2008-2009

013-2008: Paul Perrault – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Seine-Rat River Conservation District hereby endorses SESCO's Green Gold project for the summer of 2008 providing it continues to be self-funded through sponsorships.

CARRIED

i) Unger Excavating Inc. – Quote re Purchase of Land

Received is a quotation for expenses to enhance a retention area. The matter is deferred.

014-2008: Claude Gagné – Bob Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Paul Perreault, Cornie Goertzen & Kristy-Layne Carr be hereby delegated to proceed with negotiations for an offer to purchase land to be used as a water retention area.

CARRIED

j) Denis Andrews Consulting – Quote re Seine River crossing in Ste. Anne

015-2008: Bob Brandt – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a 2-tier feasibility study and design proposal for a Pedestrian Crossing Removal & Foot Bridge Replacement project at a cost of \$4,723.15 (incl. taxes).

CARRIED

k) Beef & Forage Days in Rosa – Display Costs

016-2008: Claude Gagné – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves an expenditure of \$140.00 being the fee for setting up a display for the two days of Beef and Forage Days to be held in Rosa.

CARRIED

l) SRRCD Policies for Amendments

017-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Policy Directive Section 7.4 be revised to read as follows:

The District will tender on an individual basis only to those operators/companies which are considered capable of performing the required work. Work requested on a lump sum basis will require that at least three (3) bids be sought out where applicable.

The District reserves the right to select eligible tenders as seen fit and will approve tenders dependent upon price and other criteria. The District is in no way obligated to award tenders to the lowest price.

The District requires tenders on all projects in excess of \$5,000.00.

CARRIED

Claude Gagné advises that he will refrain from discussing & voting on the next item due to his having submitted an application for the program being discussed.

018-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the following offsite watering projects in the Riparian Management program for the following:

- Karen & Glenn Friesen
- Claude Gagné

ALSO BE IT RESOLVED THAT any further applications need to be approved by the Board based on recommendation from the sub-district. **CARRIED**

019-2008: Claude Gagné – Bob Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves up to a maximum of \$2,000 to seal abandoned wells at the staff's discretion and all wells over \$2,000 be brought to the board for approval. **CARRIED**

020-2008: Rod Beckman – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Policy Committee be instated, to be comprised of the following: Maurice Leclaire, Paul Perreault, the Manager, Technician and Financial Administrator. **CARRIED**

m) Seine River Wildlife Association – Proposed Dam and Retention Basin
The matter is referred to the Sub-District level for further information as to whether the proposed project fits the SRRCD mandate.

021-2008: Paul Perreault – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves an expenditure of \$537 + tax to print 500 copies of the updated SRRCD programs brochure. **CARRIED**

The Chairman declares the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

X. NEXT MEETING – February 19, 2008

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman

Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator