

SEINE-RAT RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

29 Simard Street – Box 339
La Broquerie, Manitoba R0A 0W0

PRESENT: Cornie Goertzen – Chairman SD 3 & 4
Jim Swidersky – Vice Chairman SD 3 & 4
Paul Perreault – Chairman SD 6
Kristy-Layne Carr, District Manager

Laurie Evans – Chairman SD 8
Gerry Maynard – Chairman SD 5
Larry Bugera – Provincial Appointee
Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator

EXCUSED: Sonny Peters – Chairman SD 7
Maurice Leclaire, Chairman SD 9

I. CALL TO ORDER at 9:04 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

189-2009: Laurie Evans – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby adopted as presented.

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

190-2009: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby adopts the Minutes of October 20, 2009.

CARRIED

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Goertzen reports on his activities for the past month: Manitoba Eco-Network Water Workshop, 2010-2011 budget presentation to the Conservation Districts Commission & MCDA, Southeast Regional Ground Water Management Plan, Sub-Districts 3 & 4 meeting, tour with the Red River Basin Commission, Canadian Water Resources Assoc, inspect a riparian management project. An additional six hours for various administrative tasks and meeting preparation.

V. PROVINCIAL UPDATE

Patrick Watson is present to give a verbal update on the Seine River Integrated Water Management Plan, expansion proposal and the Rat River Integrated Water Management Plan. He requests that the Board appoint a project management team (PMT) for the Rat River IWMP. The PMT will need to develop Terms of Reference to bring back to the board for approval. Manitoba Water Stewardship is working on the source water assessment, the watershed characterization and a water storage & retention study.

191-2009: Paul Perreault – Larry Bugera

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gerry Maynard (alternate, Marc Hamonic), Jim Swidersky, Cornie Goertzen and Kristy-Layne Carr be appointed to the Rat River project management team.

CARRIED

VI. FINANCE

a) List of Accounts Payable

192-2009: Larry Bugera – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts payable be approved as per list.

CARRIED

b) Financial Statement to October 31, 2009

193-2009: Jim Swidersky – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the statement of expenditures for the month ending October 31, 2009 be hereby adopted as discussed.

CARRIED

c) 2008-2009 Conservation Districts of Manitoba Annual Report. Received as information.

VII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

Laurie Evans, Chairman of Sub-District 8 reports on a meeting held on November 9th and has the following recommendations for Board approval.

194-2009: Laurie Evans – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a Sub-District 8 recommendation to survey SW 32-6-8E as a potential water retention project.

CARRIED

195-2009: Laurie Evans – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a Sub-District 8 recommendation to accept a bid of \$15,000 + GST submitted by Centennial Gravel to construct the RM of Ritchot Grassed Waterway. **CARRIED**

196-2009: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a Sub-District 8 recommendation to permanently remove the beaver pond leveller that was installed on Bill Cudney's land in conjunction with the removal of the beaver dam by the RM of La Broquerie. **CARRIED**

A recommendation to the board to survey a one mile stretch of municipal drain on 46E south of 39N and a potential water retention site south of the drain on N¼ 11-7-8E are tabled for further clarification. It is suggested that the SRRCD partner with the RM of Ste Anne on the cost of the survey.

197-2009: Laurie Evans – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a Sub-District 8 recommendation to survey the land adjacent to the La Broquerie Drain for water retention. **CARRIED**

Cornie Goertzen reports on a sub-district meeting held on November 2nd with the following recommendations:

198-2009: Jim Swidersky – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a Sub-Districts 3 and 4 recommendation to approve Option 2 to build approximately ½ mile of dyke (with a culvert) for the Colleen Edmunds Water Retention project. **CARRIED**

199-2009: Jim Swidersky – Larry Bugera

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a Sub-Districts 3 & 4 recommendation to hire Orlando Hiebert to survey the Joubert Creek potential water retention area for a maximum of \$7,500. **CARRIED**

A recommendation received from Sub-Districts 3 & 4 that there were no concerns with the crown land purchase application for NE¼ 30-2-7E is discussed. The Board reiterates that it has no concerns with that purchase in particular, but has concerns with the Crown Lands policy in general to sell lands to individuals.

Paul Perreault, Chairman of Sub-District 6 reports on activities.

200-2009: Jim Swidersky – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT based on time effectiveness this fall, the Board hereby approves that Kevin Unger be hired to create a drain from NE 36-5-6E to SE 36-5-6E (SRRCD land) and build a berm with 2-12" culverts to keep the water on SRRCD land, pending sub-district approval. **CARRIED**

VIII. MANAGERS' REPORT**201-2009: Gerry Maynard – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT picture panels be purchased for the display board. **CARRIED**

IX. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Municipal Appointment Renewals for the City of Steinbach, rural municipalities of Reynold, Stuartburn, Ste. Anne, Taché, Towns of Niverville and Ste. Anne. List of appointments attached to minutes.
- b) R.M. of Taché – Approval of orthophotos program – Received and noted.
- c) Wayne Hildebrand, Manager, Manitoba Water Stewardship sent an e-mail dated November 3, 2009 with comments on the conservation districts' budget presentations. Received as information.
- d) Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation – 2008/2009 Annual Report. Received as information.

- e) Red River Basin Commission – 27th Annual Conference

202-2009: Gerry Maynard – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chairman (or Maurice Leclair as alternate) be delegated to attend the Red River Basin Commission Long Term Flood Solutions Public Forum Series meeting in Morris on November 19th. **CARRIED**

f) Manitoba Forestry Association – Manitoba Envirothon

203-2009 Jim Swidersky – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorizes the office staff to volunteer for the 2010 Environthon competitions. **CARRIED**

g) Manitoba Conservation Districts Association – Resignation of Executive Director – Received as information.

h) Manitoba Conservation Districts Association – Removal of Nitrogen workshop. Received as information.

i) Manitoba Conservation District Association – Manitoba News Release. Received as information.

j) West Interlake Watershed C.D. – First Annual General Meeting. Received as information.

k) Steinbach & Area Garden Club – Manitoba Horticultural Association annual convention

204-2009: Paul Perreault – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that 100 SRRCD bags be given to the Steinbach & Area Garden Club providing they are used as sponsorship recognition and that the SRRCD be allowed to set up its display. **CARRIED**

l) Canadian Water Resources Association – CWRA Luncheon

205-2009: Gerry Maynard – Larry Bugera

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the Chairman and Managers attendance at the Canadian Water Resources Association luncheon which was held on November 6th **CARRIED**

m) Conservation Magazine – Article for next issue

206-2009: Gerry Maynard – Jim Swidersky

BE TIR RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves an ad in the Conservation magazine at a cost of \$270. **CARRIED**

n) Prairie Conservation and Endangered Species – Conference & Award. Received as information.

o) Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives – South East Beef & Forage Days

207-2009: Gerry Maynard – Larry Bugera

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorizes a sponsorship of \$140.00 to secure exhibit space at the South East Beef & Forage Days on January 27 & 28, 2010. **CARRIED**

p) Dawson Trail Dispatch – Christmas ad

208-2009: Paul Perreault – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorizes a 1/8 page Christmas ad in the Dawson Trail Dispatch. **CARRIED**

q) Mike Baxter re property issues. Referred to sub-district level.

r) ALS Lab – invitation to annual client reception. Some staff members may be attending.

XI. NEXT BOARD MEETING – December 7, 2009

XII. ADJOURNMENT

209-2009: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 12:11. **CARRIED**

Charles Granger, Granger Media Group is present to give a preview of his film. Comments and input are given by staff, Board members and the Planner for the next draft of the film.

CORNIE GOERTZEN, CHAIRMAN

RITA BAZIN, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR