

SEINE-RAT RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

123 Simard Street – Box 339
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PRESENT: Cornie Goertzen – Chairman SD 3 & 4
Jim Swidersky – Vice Chairman SD 3 & 4
Gerry Maynard – Chairman SD 5
Maurice Leclaire – Chairman SD 9
Laurie Evans – Chairman SD 8
Paul Perreault – Chairman SD 6
Rod Beckman – Vice Chairman SD 7
Kristy-Layne Carr, CD Manager
Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator
Jodi Goerzen, Project Manager

EXCUSED: Larry Bugera, Provincial Appointee and Jacques Trudeau, Chairman SD 7

ALSO PRESENT: Garry Gaetz

I. CALL TO ORDER – at 9:00 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

056-2010: Jim Swidersky – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the agenda with the following additions:

Under Reports: Committee In camera meeting

Under New Business: Letter from Lorne Remillard, Environment Canada CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

057-2010: Laurie Evans – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of March 18, 2010 be hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

IV. MANITOBA WATER STEWARDSHIP

Patrick Watson is present on behalf of Manitoba Water Stewardship but indicates that he has no report and refers to the e-mails from Wayne Hildebrand and Sheldon Anderson under New Business to be discussed later on the agenda.

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Goertzen gives his report on his activities since the last meeting as follows: MRAC meeting (Kristy-Layne elaborates), EGS in Portage la Prairie (write-up in The Co-operator), Claude Gagne re Can Mar Drain & drainage issues N of 207 & 210, SRGMP, MCDA committee, with Patrick Watson, Watershed Planner re various issues, a sub-district 3 & 4 tour, Ag Can MHHC meeting with Joubert Creek landowners & personnel committee meeting including summer staff interviews. He indicates he also worked twelve extra hours for office related issues.

VII. FINANCE

a) List of accounts

058-2010: Laurie Evans – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts payable be approved for payment as per list and that the indemnities submitted for the April 19th sub-district 9 meeting be added. CARRIED

b) Financial Statement

059-2010: Paul Perreault – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the year ending March 31, 2010 be hereby accepted as discussed. CARRIED

VIII. MANAGERS' REPORT

Kristy-Layne Carr gives her report.

IN CAMERA REPORT

060-2010: Gerry Maynard – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board members hereby meet *in camera*.

CARRIED

061-2010: Laurie Evans – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the *in camera* meeting adjourn & the Board meeting resume.

CARRIED

062-2010: Laurie Evans – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board accepts the Personnel Committee recommendations retroactive to January 1, 2010.

CARRIED

Jim Swidersky is excused and leaves at 10:55 a.m.

VI. DELEGATION

Andrea McLean, M.Sc. is present to explain her interest in providing services as an external fund proposal writer. Patrick Watson advises that if the Board would consider hiring a fund proposal writer, provincial funding cannot be used for such an expense.

IX. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

Maurice Leclaire, Chairman of Sub-District 9 has the following recommendations subsequent to a meeting held on April 19, 2010.

063-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a recommendation submitted by Sub-District 9 to carry out a survey and design for the Mitch Tetrault water retention project.

CARRIED

Maurice Leclaire reads a copy of a letter from DFO requesting a landowner along the Seine River to remove derelict vehicles along the riverbank.

Laurie Evans, Chairman of Sub-District 8 has the following recommendations subsequent to a meeting held on April 16, 2010.

064-2010: Laurie Evans – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a recommendation submitted by Sub-District 8 to accept North/South Consultants' proposal for the Species & Habitat Survey for the Seine River Wildlife Water Retention totalling \$22,906.

CARRIED

065-2010: Laurie Evans – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a recommendation submitted by Sub-District 8 to seed the Grande Pointe waterway for \$1,215.

CARRIED

066-2010: Laurie Evans – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a recommendation submitted by Sub-District 8 to hire Cantest (Maxxam) to conduct the analysis for the 2010 Seine River Water Quality Sampling, based on the quote of \$8,208, plus GST.

CARRIED

The Manager is instructed to request the provincial engineer in collaboration with Art Bergmann to review a drainable problem on the east side of Highway 12 to be directed into the diversion.

Garry Gaetz leaves at 12 noon.

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman of Sub-District 3 & 4 gives his report pursuant to a sub-district tour held on April 15, 2010 and has the following recommendation:

067-2010: Gerry Maynard – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves a recommendation submitted by Sub-Districts 3 and 4 to hold a public meeting with local stakeholders to present the De Salaberry Crown Land Retention Project. **CARRIED**

Paul Perreault, Chairman of Sub-District 6 gives his report pursuant to a sub-district meeting held on March 22, 2010 and has the following recommendations:

068-2010: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a recommendation submitted by Sub-District 6 that a survey be conducted on SE 11-6-5E to determine if a water retention area is feasible. **CARRIED**

069-2010: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a recommendation submitted by Sub-District 6 that the survey for the Eric Martens Water Retention Project be continued on John Wheeler's property (NW 16-5-6E) to determine if a water retention area is feasible. **CARRIED**

070-2010: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves a recommendation submitted by sub-district 6 to conduct a survey at the Outdoor Classroom site – W 80 acres of NW 31-6-5E & NE 36-6-4E – to determine if water retention is possible on the Tourond Creek. **CARRIED**

The Board breaks for lunch at 12:20 p.m. The meeting resumes at 1:32 p.m.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Seine River documentary

071-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves that Chez Koop put the video on the SRRCD website at a cost of \$250 and that the website host be transferred from Net Nations to Chez Koop (quoted charge: \$125.00 annually). **CARRIED**

072-2010: Gerry Maynard – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Seine River documentary be shown at a location in the SRRCD in early May, with the location to be decided at the staff's discretion. **CARRIED**

073-2009: Gerry Maynard – Rod Beckman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a request to show the Seine River documentary at the Gimli film festival be hereby approved. **CARRIED**

b) Insurance Coverage for Board members

Staff will obtain costs of covering sub-district members for death and dismemberment insurance for its sub-district members.

c) Fall annual BBQ

074-2010: Laurie Evans – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD annual fall BBQ be held on September 16th in the Grande Pointe Park. **CARRIED**

XI. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

a) Wayne Hildebrand, Manitoba Water Stewardship – Approval of Land purchase in the 2010/11 Budget. E-mail dated April 7, 2010 4:24 PM from Wayne Hildebrand, Manager Watershed Planning and Programs Section approving a SRRCD request to transfer funds to purchase land to be used as part of a water storage/retention area.

b) Sheldon Anderson, Manitoba Water Stewardship – The CD Commission's approval of a one-time conditional project funding (\$32,000) and an expansion grant contribution (\$13,000). The e-mail dated April 13, 2010 12:16 PM from Sheldon Anderson, Watershed Planning and Programs Section advises that in addition to the conditional one-time project funding grant of \$32,000 approved in another e-mail from Wayne Hildebrand dated April 8, 2010 5:04 PM, an additional one time grant contribution of \$13,000 has been approved to recognize expansion efforts into the Town of Niverville and the Municipality of Franklin. Staff advises that the money has already been received.

075-2010: Gerry Maynard – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Manitoba Water Stewardship be advised that the Board will allocate the conditional project funding of \$32,000 for the DeSalaberry crown lands water retention project currently underway in collaboration with the St. Malo Lake group. **CARRIED**

c) Manitoba Healthy Living, Youth Seniors, MB 4 Youth Division – Home Town Green Team. The SRRCD's application for funding under the Home Town Green Team has been approved for up to \$7,988.00 or 400 hours each for two Summer Technicians per letter dated March 30, 2010.

d) R. M. Of Piney – Letter Dated April 14, 2010 advising that council of the R.M. of Piney will not be joining the SRRCD per SRRCD's recent invitation.

e) David Hay, Supervisor Nutrient Management Regulation – Water Quality Management Section with brochures regarding the Water Protection Act which came into effect in 2009.

f) WildLander Research & Writing Services – Letter dated April 5, 2010 offering their services with writing reports, conducting literature reviews, preparing presentations, data entry, GIS analysis, etc.

g) Blair Hamilton, Dungannon Consulting Services – E-mail dated March 25, 2010 request for an update on a presentation to the Board in March. The Board is not interested at this time.

h) West Souris River C.D. – Invitation to their Annual Banquet. Received as information.

i) R.M. of Hanover – Meet and Mingle Golf Day

076-2010: Gerry Maynard – Rod Beckman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Chairman and CD Manager be delegated to attend the Meet and Mingle supper scheduled for June 3, 2010. **CARRIED**

j) Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Proposed Management Plan for the Silver Chub.

k) Rob Matthews, Manager Water Use Licensing Division – Copy of a memorandum to Steven D. Topping, Executive Director Regulatory and Operational Services dated March 19, 2010 with a copy of the HDR Engineering Inc. Drought Response Process Report of February, 2009.

l) Hayhurst, Elias Dudek Inc. – Letter dated April 13, 2010 re name change to Western Financial Group Insurance Solutions as of May 1, 2010.

m) Environment Canada regarding funding for the Giroux Bog

077-2010: Gerry Maynard – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Andrea McLean be hired for a one-year term to administer funding proposals for the SRRCD. **CARRIED**

078-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED that Project Manager and District Manager be delegated to attend the Nilex seminar on erosion control for \$25 each. **CARRIED**

n) Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation – Request for funding to complete two (2) Conservation Agreements due to shortage of funding is hereby denied.

The draft 2010-2011 budget is discussed. Which components of the budget to reduce? A discussion ensues as to which projects to prioritize and the impact of changes needed. Staff is directed to adjust accordingly per prioritization process and bring back to the Board for further review.

XII. NEXT BOARD MEETING – May 18, 2010

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

079-2010: Gerry Maynard – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 3:22 p.m.

CORNIE GOERTZEN, CHAIRMAN

RITA BAZIN, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR