

060-2011: Art Bergmann – Gerry Maynard

WHEREAS the Seine River Wildlife Association (SRWA), Department of Fisheries & Ocean (DFO) and the Seine Rat River Conservation District (SRRCD) are negotiating an agreement regarding the operation of SRWA water retention project; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agreement include a clause that the SRRCD be responsible for the operation of the control gate. **CARRIED**

061-2011: Jim Swidersky – Dylan Barkman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Seine Rat River Conservation District request a letter of support from the Rural Municipality of La Broquerie for the Seine River Wildlife Association water retention project. **CARRIED**

VII. MANITOBA WATER STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Patrick Watson, Watershed Planner is present and reviews the Provincial Update – May 2011 as follows: Board Governance Workshops (evaluation provided & further development encouraged); LIDAR request for CD support (MWS funding IISD initiative to purchase data in Manitoba); CD Mandate (CDs encouraged to evaluable programming based on IWMPs and CD program purposes); CD Financial Administration (Budget approval letters out, 2011/2012 Revised budget due June 30th, Audit due July 1 from July 15th); Riparian Tax Credit Program (CDs encouraged to promote program & assist with riparian project costs); Other (Amendments to the CD Act: ongoing).

VIII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

Cornie Goertzen, Chair & Jim Swidersky, Vice-Chair of SD 3 & 4 give their report pursuant to their sub-district meeting held on May 16th with the following recommendations:

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a Sub-District 3 & 4 recommendation that the Board organize an onsite meeting with representatives from the rural municipalities of Stuartburn, De Salaberry and Franklin at the Ducks Unlimited cell in the R.M. of Stuartburn to explore the possibility of water retention in the area.

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a Sub-District 3 & 4 recommendation that the abandoned Otterburne community well application submitted by the R.M. of De Salaberry be sealed for the quoted price from Friesen Drillers Ltd. of \$2,047.50.

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a Sub-District 3 & 4 recommendation to pay \$1,200 for the survey of the one mile section of road on municipal road 24E north of P.R. 205 in the R.M. of Hanover to determine areas where the road could be raised in order to prevent water from flowing over the road into the R.M. of De Salaberry during spring runoff.

DEFEATED**065-2011: Jim Swidersky – Gerry Maynard**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a Sub-District 3 & 4 recommendation that the Board approve commencement of discussions between the Seine Rat River Conservation District and the rural municipalities of Stuartburn and La Broquerie regarding maintenance and further development of FR #13 South.

CARRIED**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

a) Don Norquay, Chair of Conservation Districts Commission – Letter dated May 10, 2011 advising that the Conservation District Commission has allocated \$340,000.00 to the Seine Rat River Conservation District for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, conditional on the approval of the provincial budget by the legislature.

b) Royal Bank of Canada – e-mail dated May 10, 2011, the RBC Foundation has awarded a RBC Blue Water Project Community Action Grant to the SRRCD in the amount of \$5,000. In recognition of the RBC's continuous generosity, the Board consensus is to include the RBC logo on the next SRRCD bags to be purchased and recognition at the next SRRCD annual appreciation barbecue.

c) Quotations for Well Inventory & Program Guide Brochures.

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby accepts the quotation received from Derksen Printers Ltd. as follows:
1600 (800 each of 2) well testing brochures: \$497.00 and 2000 (1000 each of 2) CD program brochures: \$517.00

CARRIED

d) GIS Conference

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves that Jodi Goerzen attend the GIS Conference in Winnipeg on May 31st.

CARRIED

e) 2011 Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards – Received is an e-mail from Wayne Hildebrand giving information on the award and encouraging CDs to submit an application. Gerry Maynard and the manager will approach Martial Gosselin who recently signed a conservation agreement to check to see if he would accept that the SRRCD submit his name.

f) Agriculture in the Classroom – Membership renewal. Received as information.

g) Financial Administrators' Meeting

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegates Rita Bazin to attend the Financial Administrators' meeting in Lundar on June 2nd and 3rd.

CARRIED

h) RBC Blue Water Project Celebration – Invitation, June 2, 2011

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegates the CD Manager and Board members to attend the RBC Blue Water Project Celebration on June 2nd in Winnipeg.

CARRIED

X. NEXT BOARD MEETING – June 21, 2011

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting is adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

CARRIED

CORNIE GOERTZEN, CHAIRMAN

RITA BAZIN, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR