

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
Board of Manager's Minutes
September 12, 2002

President Dale M. Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Red Lake Watershed District office at 102 North Main Avenue, Thief River Falls, MN.

Present were: Dale M. Nelson; Vernon Johnson; LeRoy Ose; Dennis Nikolayson; Lowell Smeby; Roger Love; Orville Knott; Harry Farris, Administrator; Arlene Novak, Accounting/Secretary Technician II; Sandy Radniecki, Secretary/ Receptionist; and Legal Counsel Delray Sparby.

The board reviewed the agenda. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the agenda.

John Weiland's request to appear was declined by the board.

Arlene Novak read the minutes of August 22, 2002. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Smeby, that the board approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the Financial Report. A motion was made by Ose, seconded by Smeby, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the Financial Report dated September 11, 2002.

Proposed levies for projects for 2003 were reviewed. A motion was made by Smeby, seconded by Knott, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the following proposed levies for 2003: Project No. 4, Lost River - \$3,000.00; Project No. 14, State Ditch 83 - \$12,000.00; Project No. 35, Pine Lake Maintenance - \$4,000.00; Project No. 41, J.D. 72 - \$4,150.00; Project No. 43B, Burnham Creek - \$3,000.00; Project No. 48, J.D. 2 Branch 1 of A - \$5,250.00; Project No. 106, Jensen Petition - \$5,000.00; Project No. 109, Arveson Ditch - \$1,000.00; Project No. 115, Equality/RLWD Ditch 1 - \$1,000.00; Project No. 117, Kenneth Johnson Petition - \$2,000.00; Project No. 119, Polk County Ditches 104, 61, 47, 94 - \$5,000.00; Project No. 122, City of TRF Drainage Ditch - \$500.00; Project No. 123, Scott Baatz Petition - \$1,000.00; Project No. 134, Polk County Ditch 63 - \$3,000.00; Project No. 135, Polk County Ditch 33 - \$4,500.00.

Administrator Farris presented the workplan for the Ten Year Comprehensive Overall Plan. It was the consensus of the board to move forward as the Workplan states.

Motion was made by Smeby, seconded by Knott, and passed by unanimous vote to designate the Marshall County State Bank of Newfolden as a depository for the RLWD.

Permits

Loren Sanderson requested permit No. 02053 be added to the agenda. A motion was made by Nikolayson, seconded by Ose, and passed unanimously, that permit no. 02053 be added to the agenda.

Motion was made by Ose, seconded by Love, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve permit No. 02053 from Rocksbury Township, Pennington County.

A motion was made by Love, seconded by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the following permits: No. 02097* from Andrew Skaar, Norden Township, Pennington County; No.s 02103* and 02103* from Wald Farms, Sullivan Township, Polk County; No. 02104* from Eric Egeland, Bygland Township, Polk County; No. 02105* from Keith Swenson, Lambert Township, Polk County; No. 02106 from Garden Valley Telephone Company, Brandsvold-Rosebud-Sletten Townships, Polk County; No. 02107* from Joel Ross, Lowell Township, Polk County; No. 02108* from Owen Larson, Fisher Township, Polk County; No.s 02109* and 02110* from Mike Krejci, Huntsville Township, Polk County; No.s 02113* and 02114* from Reed Tinkham, Lowell Township, Polk County; and No. 02115 from Polk County Highway Department. *With conditions stated on permit.

Motion was made by Love, seconded by Johnson, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve permit No. 02087 from Robert Useldinger, Sullivan Township, Polk County.

Motion by Knott, second by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the board table permit No. 02099 from Robert Useldinger, Sullivan Township, Polk County.

Manager Love requested time before the board to give his opinion regarding the Parnell Impoundment Operating Plan. A portion of the videotape from the informational hearing held in March was reviewed by the board as well. Nate Dalager, HDR Engineering, was present to discuss the engineering required to complete the Operating Plan. Following a lengthy discussion, Manager Love made a motion to go with the Operating Plan from March, 2001. Manager Smeby seconded the motion. Upon learning that Manager Love wanted approval of only the first five pages of the Engineers' Report, Manager Smeby withdrew his second. Due to lack of a second, motion died.

Motion was then made by Knott, seconded by Johnson, that the RLWD approve Alternative 3 for the Parnell Impoundment Operating Plan. Motion carried with Manager Love opposed.

Administrator Farris presented his report to the board. The following items were discussed and acted upon:

- A list of several items that have either been replaced or cannot be repaired by the RLWD was reviewed by the board. Motion by Ose, second by Johnson, to declare these items as excess property, advertise for bids on these items, and sell to the highest bidder. Motion carried.
- It was the consensus of the board to proceed with spot cleaning on State Ditch 83. Staff will report back at the September 26, 2002 meeting.

Legal Counsel presented his update to the board.

A motion was made by Ose, seconded by Knott, and passed by unanimous vote that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Signed

Dennis Nikolayson, Secretary