

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
Board of Manager's Minutes
June 8, 2000

President Vernon Johnson 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: Vernon Johnson; Leonard Moe; Roger Love; Dennis Nikolayson; Lowell Smeby; George Dailey; Chuck Fritz, Administrator; Arlene Novak, Accounting/Secretary Technician II; Sandy Radniecki, Secretary/Receptionist; and Delray Sparby, Legal Counsel. Absent – Dale M. Nelson.

The board reviewed the agenda. A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Smeby, that permit No. 00035 from A & L Potato Company be added to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Arlene Novak read the minutes of May 25, 2000. A motion was made by Nikolayson, seconded by Moe, that the board approve the minutes as read. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager Moe brought up the beaver problem on Moose River Impoundment, Beltrami County. The board will address this issue at the June 22, 2000 meeting.

The board reviewed the Financial Report. A motion was made by Love, seconded by Dailey, that check No. 21832 be held until the billing from JOR Engineering is clarified. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Love, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the Financial Report dated June 7, 2000, with the exception of check No. 21832.

A written request from Mike Gasper to meet, on-site, regarding the Parnell Impoundment Operating Plan was reviewed by Administrator Fritz. A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Dailey, and passed by unanimous vote that Mike Gasper, Roger Love, George Dailey, and Don Ogaard should meet with Charlie Anderson and Blake Carlson, JOR Engineering, to have engineering questions answered regarding the structural modifications to Parnell Impoundment.

Administrator Fritz informed the board that Ron Lindberg, City of TRF, had made a request that the RLWD seek additional funding, from the RRWMB, for the TRF reservoir dredging. Motion was made by Moe, seconded by Love, and passed by unanimous vote that Administrator Fritz should pursue funding from the RRWMB at their meeting in Roseau on June 20, 2000.

Administrator Fritz addressed several points regarding the State Ditch 83 process and the Thief River Flood Damage Reduction Project listed in the letter from Todd Stanley. Mr. Stanley was given an opportunity to speak in regard to his letter as well as several other individuals in attendance.

Administrator Fritz asked the Overall Advisory Committee members present to introduce themselves. They were Dan Schmitz; Bill Malwitz; Orlin Hanson; Joel Rohde; Jeep Mattson, and Gilbert Weber.

Legal Counsel Delray Sparby informed the board he had prepared a response to the letter from Tom Anderson regarding Hazel Dolalie's assessments on the Winsor/Hangaard Clearwater County Petition Project No. 113. It was the consensus of the board that a copy of this letter should be sent to Tom Anderson.

The board reviewed change order number 1 for the Thief River Reservoir dredging project. A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Love, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve change order number 1 to J.F. Brennan for the TRF dredging project.

A motion was made by Smeby, seconded by Moe, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve a pay request for J.F. Brennan, in the amount of \$24,015.96.

Loren Sanderson, Engineering Assistant, informed the board of minor vandalism that had taken place on the Moose River Impoundment.

Loren Sanderson informed the board of some woodpiles that Bruce Halbert would like removed from his property. These piles are a result of cleaning conducted in 1998 by the RLWD. Mr. Halbert stated he would be willing to remove them for \$300-\$400. Following discussion, a motion was made by Moe, seconded by Nikolayson, and passed unanimously, that the RLWD should seek quotes to remove wood piles and build a 16 1/2 foot wide access road on a three mile stretch of State Ditch 83 and report the information received to the Board at the June 22, 2000 meeting.

The board reviewed permit No. 00035 from A & L Potato Company. A motion was made by Love, seconded by Nikolayson, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve permit No. 0035* from A & L Potato Company, Huntsville Township, Polk County, based on approval of Manager Love. *With conditions stated on permit.

It was the consensus of the board to table Administrator Fritz's evaluation until the June 22, 2000 board meeting.

Legal Counsel Sparby reviewed the format with the Board for the public hearing scheduled for June 19, 2000.

A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Dailey, that the meeting adjourn to June 19, 2000, at Northland Community Technical College at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 19, 2000, at Northland Community Technical College, Thief River Falls, MN. The public hearing for the Thief River Spot Cleaning was called to order. Engineer Brent Johnson, Houston Engineering, presented his report and answered questions of those in attendance. Legal Counsel Delray Sparby addressed several issues, after which several people addressed their concerns. President Johnson adjourned the hearing, which is on videotape and available for viewing at the RLWD office.

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The board further discussed the Parnell Operating Plan. A motion was made by Love, seconded by Nelson, and passed by unanimous vote that the board rescind their previous motion to have Charlie Anderson, JOR Engineering, proceed with modifications to the Parnell Operating Plan and have him proceed with the recommendations stated in his letter of June 16, 2000.

A motion was made by Nelson, seconded by Love, to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried.

Signed
George Dailey, Secretary