

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT  
Board of Manager's Minutes  
October 26, 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; Dale M. Nelson; Leonard Moe; Roger Love; Dennis Nikolayson; Lowell Smeby; George Dailey; David C. Lanning Administrator/Engineer; Arlene Novak, Accounting/Secretary Technician II; Sandy Radniecki, Secretary/ Receptionist.

The board reviewed the agenda. A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Smeby, that the board approve the agenda with the following additions: Manager Moe report on Land Use meeting; Permit No. 00087 and Legal Counsel Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Arlene Novak read the minutes of October 12, 2000. A motion was made by Nelson, seconded by Love, that the board approve the minutes as read. Motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the Financial Report and investment summary. A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Nelson, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the Financial Report dated October 25, 2000.

A pay estimate to J. F. Brennan for the TRF Reservoir Dredging was reviewed by the board. A motion was made by Nelson, seconded by Dailey, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the pay estimate to J. F. Brennan for RLWD Project No. 63, in the amount of \$72,074.06.

Administrator Lanning reported on the following: a meeting he attended in Fergus Falls regarding the erosion project in Crookston, with funding looking good from a 319 grant and DNR contribution; he and Loren Sanderson inspected Schirrick Dam and determined some maintenance that will be taken care of this fall; the second board meeting in November (22<sup>nd</sup>) will be held the day after the RRWMB meets, which will enable the RLWD to discuss the Step II submittal for the Thief River Diversion and Storage; two legal opinions regarding the Thief River Diversion and Storage, of which both felt the RLWD was on solid ground; the Badger Creek/Poplar River work group will be meeting soon to get this project back on track; and he will be meeting with Brian Dwight, Board of Water and Soil Resources, to discuss the Ten Year Overall Plan for the RLWD.

Arlene Novak informed the board that the RLWD received notice we are in compliance with the Pay Equity requirements for the State of MN.

Administrator Lanning reported that he received the estimates from HDR and JOR Engineering for the Parnell Impoundment Operating Plan.

At 10:00 a.m., President Johnson turned the meeting over to Legal Counsel Delray Sparby, who opened the final payment hearing for RLWD Project No. 137, Grygla Levee Project. He stated the hearing had been properly advertised and explained the reason for the hearing. Asking for comments from the audience and hearing none, he turned the meeting over to President Johnson. The hearing adjourned at 10:04 a.m., and is on videotape and available for viewing at the RLWD office.

A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Nelson, and passed by unanimous vote that the RLWD approve the final payment to Red Lake Builders, Inc., for RLWD Project No. 137, Grygla Levee Project, in the amount of \$12,501.27.

Legal Counsel Sparby reported that he had talked to Don Ogaard, Executive Director of the RRWMB, to discuss the action of the RLWD regarding the Thief River Storage and Diversion. Manager Johnson stated the RRWMB will be meeting at the RLWD on November 21, 2000, and will conduct a tour of the Thief River Project for the approval of the Step I submittal. Manager Johnson felt a bus should be arranged for the tour.

Manager Smeby stated that Paul Sundberg owns land on the outlet to the south pool of the Moose River Impoundment and would like to retain ownership and would grant the RLWD an easement for right-of-way.

The Mike Gasper land purchase on the Parnell Impoundment was briefly discussed. It was the consensus of the board that the RLWD hold the sale of any land in abeyance until an Operating Plan is in place for the Parnell Impoundment, in accordance with past meeting minutes.

Permits were reviewed by the board. A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Nelson, and passed by unanimous vote that permit No. 00091 be added and that the board approve the following permits: No. 00091\* from Michael Pierce, Grove Park Township, Polk County; No. 00093 from MnDOT, Marshall and Beltrami Counties; No. 00094\* from D.J.R. Farms, Tabor Township, Polk County; No. 00095 from Eddy Township, Clearwater County; No. 00097\* from Vernon Iverson, Star Township, Pennington County; No.s 00098\* and 00099\* from Delano Thorson, Inc., Tynsid Township, Polk County; and No. 00100\* from Russia Township, Polk County \*With conditions stated on permit.

Manager Love presented a letter from Angus Township regarding permit No. 00087. The board felt a letter should also be obtained from the Power Company before any action is taken on this permit.

Loren Sanderson gave a project report update.

Meeting reports were given. Manager Moe reported on the Land Use meeting he attended the previous day.

A motion was made by Moe, seconded by Dailey, that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Signed  
George Dailey, Secretary