

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
Board of Manager's Minutes
July 11, 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; 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. Vernon Johnson was absent.

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

Arlene Novak read the minutes of June 27, 2002. A motion was made by Knott, seconded by Smeby that the board approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the Financial Report. A motion was made by Smeby seconded by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the Financial Report dated July 10, 2002.

The Budget and Salary Committee meeting schedule was reviewed by the board.

The board reviewed a letter from Gene Tiedemann's attorney, stating the Tiedemanns are willing to proceed with the Option to Obtain an Easement with the RLWD. A motion was made by Ose, seconded by Knott, that the RLWD go forward with the engineering of the Tiedemann site. Motion carried.

The Preliminary Engineer's Report for the Parnell Impoundment was filed with the RLWD and presented to the board. A motion was made by Nikolayson, seconded by Ose, that a final hearing be scheduled for the Parnell Impoundment Operating Plan on July 31, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. The hearing will be held at the Northland Inn in Crookston. Motion carried.

The board discussed the 2002 FEMA funding. A motion was made by Ose, seconded by Nikolayson, and passed by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, several counties within the Red Lake Watershed District have been declared a federal disaster, and

WHEREAS, funding has become available from State and Federal sources for repair of damages caused by this disaster;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Red Lake Watershed District pursue this funding, assign number 155 to this project, and name it "2002 Flood".

A motion was made by Nikolayson, seconded by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote, that Administrator Farris be authorized to pursue the Emergency Watershed Project (EWP) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) monies for 2002 project repair and act on behalf of the RLWD in disbursement of these funds.

Administrator Farris reported on the following: arrangements have been made for a surveyor on the Bagley Urban Runoff Reduction Project; office staff will have the priority list this week for the ring dikes to be built, four of which the RRWMB will be funding; he attended an FDR meeting in Detroit Lakes on July 8, as well as a FEMA meeting that same day in Crookston; and extensive cleaning is being done in the RLWD office.

Administrator Farris reported that all provisions have been met in order to make final payment to Red Lake Builders for the construction of the Winsor/Hangaard Project. A motion was made by Knott, seconded by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the RLWD make final payment to Red Lake Builders, Inc., for the construction of Project No. 113, Winsor/Hangaard Project, in the amount of \$12,800, contingent upon engineer Brent Johnson's written recommendation that all work is complete.

Manager Love asked if the RLWD or Polk County was responsible for removing the sand in Ditch 60 to County Road 17. Administrator Farris will see if this can be done with the equipment already on site.

Permits were reviewed by the board. A motion was made by Love, seconded by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the following permits: No. 02057* from George Hanson, Inc., Fairfax Township, Polk County; and No. 02059* from Lowell Township, Polk County. *With conditions stated on permit.

Upon reviewing permit No. 02058, a motion was made by Knott, seconded by Nikolayson, and passed by unanimous vote that the board deny permit No. 02058 from George Hanson, Inc., Fairfax Township, Polk County.

A motion was made by Ose, seconded by Smeby, and passed by unanimous vote that the meeting adjourn to July 23, 2002, at 9:00 a.m.

Signed

Dennis Nikolayson, Secretary