

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
Board of Manager's Minutes
September 25, 2003

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; Bob Proulx; and Orville Knott. Staff present: Myron Jesme, Arlene Novak, and Sandy Radniecki. Legal Counsel Delray Sparby was also present.

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

Arlene Novak read the minutes of September 11, 2003. A motion was made by Knott, seconded by Proulx, that the board approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the Financial Report and investment summary. A motion was made by Proulx, seconded by Nikolayson, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the Financial Report dated September 24, 2003.

Leon Iverson, Goodridge, was present to express his concerns regarding a permit application he submitted to the RLWD. Lengthy discussion was held regarding the drainage areas and other possibilities that might alleviate Mr. Iverson's water problems. A motion was made by Smeby, seconded by Ose, that the RLWD table permit No. 03090 from Leon Iverson, Goodridge Township, Pennington County. Motion carried with Manager Knott voting not to table the permit.

Permits were reviewed by the board. A motion was made by Nikolayson, seconded by Knott, and passed by unanimous vote that the board approve the following permits: No. 03096* from Dale M. Nelson and Ken Poole, Rocksbury Township, Pennington County; No.s 03097*, Russia Township, and 03098*, Fairfax Township, from Robin Brekken, Polk County; No. 03099* from John McDonald, Nesbit Township, Polk County; No. 03101* from Reitmeier Joint Venture, Lowell Township, Polk County; and No. 03102* from Falk Township, Clearwater County. *With conditions stated on permit.

Administrator Jesme informed the board that Dan Bratvold no longer wished to be a part of the Project 60 Work Group and that Gene Tiedemann had expressed an interest to be part of the group. A motion was made by Knott, seconded by Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the RLWD appoint Gene Tiedemann to the Project 60 Work Group.

Administrator Jesme presented his update to the board. He stated that Botsford & Qualley (Alerus Financial) had indicated that Marta Brand Sivitz would accept the board's offer of \$750.00 per acre for flowage easements on the Parnell Operating Plan.

The burning of brush piles on the Moose River Dike was discussed by the board. It was the consensus of the board that this burning should be done within a week or so, whether it be done by the DNR or the RLWD. Administrator Jesme is to contact the DNR again, and if they are unable to burn the piles within the week, he is to hire a contractor to do the burning.

Legal Counsel Delray Sparby presented his update to the board.

Nate Dalager, HDR Engineering, presented an update to the board on the status of the Ten Year Overall Plan. He stated they are approximately sixty percent finished with the hydrologic model. Following his presentation, Administrator Jesme stated that each board manager should attempt to bring back two names of landowners that might be interested in serving on the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Ten Year Overall Plan. These names will be reviewed and discussed at the October 9 board meeting.

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

Signed
Dennis Nikolayson, Secretary