

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT  
Board of Manager's Minutes  
January 22, 2004

President Orville Knott 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: Managers Dale M. Nelson; Vernon Johnson; LeRoy Ose; Lowell Smeby; Bob Proulx; Allan Carlson, and Orville Knott. Staff present were Myron Jesme, Arlene Novak, and Sandy Radniecki, and Legal Counsel Delray Sparby. Also present was Ron Salentine., Euclid, MN.

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

Arlene Novak read the minutes of January 13, 2004. A motion was made by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Johnson, that the Board approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the Financial Report. A motion was made by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Carlson, and passed by unanimous vote that the Board approve the Financial Report dated January 21, 2004.

A motion was made by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the first meeting in February be scheduled for the 10<sup>th</sup>, since there was a conflict with the Legislative Breakfast being held on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Permit No. 04002 was reviewed by the Board. A motion was made by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Proulx, and passed by unanimous vote that permit No. 04002 from Roger Hinrichs, River Falls Township, Pennington County, be approved, with the conditions stated on the permit.

Administrator Jesme presented his update to the Board. He discussed the request from Ron Salentine regarding the land acquisition for Project 60. Lengthy discussion was held by the Board and Mr. Salentine, who was in attendance for the purpose of discussing the four different options he would consider. A motion was made by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Ose, and passed by unanimous vote that the Board approve an Option to Purchase land from Ron Salentine for Project 60, with a payment of \$3,000.00 for consideration for said Option. Said Option is to include a choice of the following options: (1) \$900.00 per acre for a perpetual easement, plus \$50.00 per acre as severance, with the possibility of CRP enrollment by Ron Salentine; and (2) the RLWD would purchase the land for \$1,150.00 per acre plus \$50.00 per acre severance, with Mr. Salentine having the option to rent the land from the RLWD. Administrator Jesme was authorized to extend the offer of said Options to Mr. Salentine.

Administrator Jesme informed the Board that he was informed by Todd Evenson that the petition for the bank stabilization project west of Eldred is forthcoming. Mr. Evenson indicated that they have sent the petition to Kurt Deter for review.

Administrator Jesme reported that town meetings will be held in each of the six sub-watersheds of the RLWD for the development of the Ten Year Overall Plan. To date, two of these meetings have been scheduled for the month of February. They are as follows: Lower Red Lake River Sub-watershed on February 5<sup>th</sup> at Youngquist Auditorium at the U of M, Crookston, the Grand Marais Sub-watershed being scheduled for February 9<sup>th</sup> at Northland Technical College, East Grand Forks.

Further discussion was held regarding the Legislative Breakfast on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Administrator Jesme and Managers Knott, Ose, and Nelson will be attending.

A motion was made by Nelson, seconded by Ose, that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
LeRoy Ose, Secretary