

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
Board of Manager's Minutes
February 13, 2014

Present were: Managers LeRoy Ose, Lee Coe, Orville Knott, Albert Mandt, Les Torgerson and Dale M. Nelson. Absent: Gene Tiedemann. Staff Present: Myron Jesme and Tammy Audette and Legal Counsel Delray Sparby.

The Board reviewed the agenda. A motion was made by Knott, seconded by Torgerson, and passed by unanimous vote that the Board approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Torgerson, seconded by Ose, to dispense reading of the January 23, 2014 Board meeting minutes and approve them as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Torgerson, to dispense reading of the January 27, 2014 Board meeting minutes and approve them as printed. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Financial Report dated February 12, 2014. Motion by Torgerson, seconded by Knott, and passed by unanimous vote that the Board approve the Financial Report dated February 12, 2014. Motion carried.

Engineer Nate Dalager, HDR Engineering, Inc. presented the Construction Plans and Specifications for construction of RLWD Ditch 15, Project No. 175. Motion by Coe, seconded by Ose, to approve the Construction Plans and Specifications for RLWD Ditch 15, Project No. 175, to advertise for bids and set the bid opening for 10:00 a.m., March 13, 2013 at the District office. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the final billing from the University of North Dakota for the Glacial Ridge Project, RLWD Project No. 152.

Staff member Corey Hanson presented the Clearwater River WRAP Work Plan/Budget. Hanson discussed several of the objectives in the Work Plan including the use and evaluation of existing data, civic engagement, flow monitoring, reporting, stream channel stability, and continuous dissolved oxygen. Motion by Torgerson, seconded by Coe, to approve the Work Plan/Budget for the Clearwater River WRAP, RLWD Project No. 157E. Motion carried.

Administrator Jesme stated that the City of the Thief River Falls contacted the District in regarding to the District's funding commitment for the rain garden at the Ralph Engelstad Arena. President Nelson stated that the Pennington SWCD received funding from the Clean Water Fund and Legacy Amendment from the State of Minnesota, the City of Thief River Falls (cash and in-kind) and from Memorial Donations. At the August 22, 2013 Board meeting the District committed \$10,000 towards the project. Nelson stated that the bids for the project came in much higher than the Engineer's Estimate, therefore the City is requesting additional funding to complete the project. Motion by Ose, seconded by Coe, to increase the District's contribution an additional \$10,000 for a total of \$20,000 for construction of a rain garden at the Ralph Engelstad Arena. Motion carried.

MAWD dues for 2014 were presented to the Board. Motion by Knott, seconded by Mandt, and passed unanimously to approve paying \$3,500 for the 2013 MAWD dues.

The Board reviewed a letter from Wilken County in regard utilization of portions of Wilken County for floodwater storage. Manager Knott discussed the letter and how it could affect the Buffalo Red Watershed District and the 20% Flood Retention process.

The Board reviewed a schedule of meetings set up for the Great Northern High Voltage Transmission Line Project.

The 2014 MAWD Legislative Reception and Day at the Capitol will be held March 19-20, 2014 at the Kelly Inn, St. Paul.

The Board reviewed the permits for approval. Motion by Mandt, seconded by Torgerson, to approve the following permit with condition stated on the permit: No. 14004, Polk County Highway Department, Knute and King Township. Motion carried.

Administrators Update:

- Jesme and Manager Knott will attend the RRWMB meeting on February 18, 2014 at the District office.
- Included in the packet were meeting notes from the FDR Workgroup. The next FDR meeting will be held in the District office on February 19, 2014.
- Jesme was informed that the District should receive in the near future the first reimbursement from the LSOHC in the amount of \$1,293,246.06 for the Grand Marais Creek Channel Restoration Project. As part of the grant reporting rules adopted by the legislature, a teleconference meeting will be held on April 2, 2014 to discuss the project.
- An interagency impoundment meeting will be held on February 26, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. at the District office with staff from the USFWS, MnDNR and RLWD staff. This yearly meeting allows each entity to discuss future goals or maintenance issues.
- Included in the packet was the BWSR Biennial Budget Request summary for fiscal 2016-2017. Information is collected from local governmental entities for their financial needs for upcoming Clean Water Funding allocations.
- Included in the packet was a letter from North Dakota Pipeline Company LLC which explains their plan to construct 616 miles of crude oil pipeline.
- A January 2014 Water Quality Report was included in the packet.

Legal Counsel Sparby stated that he will work with Administrator Jesme on submitting a letter to the Pederson Brothers regarding their permit violation.

Manager Torgerson discussed erosion sites near the outlet of Pine Lake and Clearwater Lake public access.

Motion by Coe, seconded by Ose, to adjourn the meeting.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "LeRoy Ose". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

LeRoy Ose, Secretary