

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT  
Board of Manager's Minutes  
January 23, 2014

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

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

Motion by Ose, seconded by Tiedemann, to dispense reading of the January 9, 2014 Board meeting minutes and approve them as printed. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Financial Report dated January 22, 2014. Motion by Knott, seconded by Torgerson, and passed by unanimous vote that the Board approve the Financial Report dated January 22, 2014. Motion carried.

Administrator Jesme stated that Treasurer Lee Coe had signed a release of partial securities for Unity Bank North.

Staff member Arlene Novak reviewed the 2013 General Fund Budget balances. Based on the ending balance, the Building Fund balance of \$51,777.29 will be transferred out and paid off.

Polk County will be holding an informational meeting for landowners in the benefitted area of Polk County Ditch 2 and 66. With the future construction of RLWD Ditch 15, Project No. 175, Polk County wishes to discuss various options with landowners in regard to the redetermination of benefits on CD 2 and CD 66, improve CD 2 and CD 66 or do nothing with either system. The meeting will be held at the Youngquist Auditorium on the UMC Campus at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 2014. Jesme indicated that in his absence, Loren Sanderson and Gary Lane will attend the meeting along with Manager Tiedemann.

Staff member Arlene Novak discussed the Board of Managers and Management Fraud Questionnaire letter received from Brady Martz & Associates. Novak and Legal Counsel Sparby drafted a response, for Board approval, to be submitted the Brady Martz & Associates. Motion by Coe, seconded by Torgerson, to approve the Board of Managers and Management Fraud Questionnaire as presented. Motion carried.

Administrator Jesme presented the Pay Equity Implementation Report that the District is required to complete every three years, per State Statute. Jesme stated that after completing the report it appears the District shows no inequity of pay. Motion by Coe, seconded by Tiedemann, to approve the Pay Equity Implementation Report and submit to the State of Minnesota. Motion carried.

Administrators Update:

- Jesme and Manager Knott attended the RRWMB meeting held in Ada on January 21, 2014. Included in the packet was the December 17, 2013 approved minutes and the year end 2013 Treasurer's Report. The next RRWMB meeting will be held February 18, 2014 at the District office.

- Jesme and staff member Corey Hanson and Managers Mandt, Ose and Torgerson attended all or parts of the Red River Basin Commission Conference in Fargo, ND.
- A Tile Drainage sub-committee meeting will be held after today's Board meeting. Jesme invited Todd Stanley to take part in the conversation.
- The 20% Retention Sub-Committee will meet for a tour of the Pine Lake sub-watershed on Monday, January 27, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Jesme, staff member Loren Sanderson and Engineer Nate Dalager will also participate.
- Beginning January 1, 2014, the 2014 Standard Mileage Rates for Business, Medical and Moving rates will be as follows:
  - 56 cents per mile for business miles driven
  - 23.5 cents per mile driven for medical or moving purposes
  - 14 cents per mile driven in service of charitable organizations
- Included in the packet was the December 2013 Water Quality Report.

Manager Torgerson discussed the Red River Basin Committee Conference he attended and the need for Public Education for people to understand the benefits of projects.

Discussion was held on the process of starting a mediation committee for 20% Flood Retention Projects. The 20% Flood Retention Committee will tour the Pine Lake area, with the next step being a public information meeting.

Manager Torgerson stated that he would like to attend the tour of the Pine Lake area with the 20% Flood Retention Committee on January 27, 2014 and probably proceed to Four Legged Lake subwatershed. Discussion was held on recessing today's meeting until January 27, 2014, therefore allowing Manager Torgerson to attend the tour due to having a quorum of the Board.

Motion by Ose, seconded by Coe, to recess the Board meeting until 10:00 a.m., on January 27, 2014 at the Pine Lake Sportsman's Lodge at 47571 Sportsman's Drive, Gonvick, MN, to allow the 20% Flood Retention Committee members consisting of Managers Nelson, Ose and Knott along with Manager Torgerson to tour the Pine Lake and Four Legged Lake sub-watershed areas. Motion carried.



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LeRoy Ose, Secretary