

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT  
Board of Manager's Minutes  
October 13, 2016

President Dale M. Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Red Lake Watershed District Office, Thief River Falls, MN.

Present were: Managers Allan Page, Terry Sorenson, Lee Coe, Les Torgerson, Dale M. Nelson LeRoy Ose and Gene Tiedemann. Staff Present: Myron Jesme, Tammy Audette and Legal Counsel Delray Sparby.

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

Motion by Sorenson, seconded by Torgerson, to dispense reading of the September 22, 2016 Board meeting minutes and approve them as corrected. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Financial Report and Investment Summary dated October 12, 2016. Motion by Tiedemann, seconded by Torgerson, to approve the Financial Report and Investment Summary dated October 12, 2016 as presented. Motion carried.

Administrator Jesme stated that the Pennington SWCD completed construction on the previously approved Thief River Cut-Off Project, which the District contributed cost share in the amount of \$11,345 from the District's Erosion Control Funds, RLWD Project No. 164. Construction on the erosion control site at the Thief River Falls Golf Course should be finished this fall.

The Board reviewed the Clean Water Council's FY18-19 Clean Water Fund recommendations that were approved September 19, 2016.

The District was informed that a \$50,000 grant was awarded from the MnDNR for repairs to the Blackduck Lake Outlet, RLWD Project No. 50E. A meeting with the landowner will be scheduled in the near future for discussion of a construction easement as there may be the need for removal of trees and berm on the shoreline. Beltrami County currently maintains a permanent easement on the access road but consideration still should be had with the landowner as the access road lies between the resort and beach front. Manager Coe stated that he would like to attend the meeting with the landowner. Motion by Coe, seconded by Ose, to authorize Houston Engineering, Inc. to proceed with the Plans and Specifications for the Blackduck Lake Outlet Project, RLWD Project No. 50E. Motion carried.

Administrator Jesme stated that the MnDNR is working on issuing a Press Release for the Pine Lake WMA area.

Administrator Jesme stated that hearings for the Red Lake River 1W1P will be held on November 22, 2016, which will coincide with each individual county Board meeting as follows: Polk County at 9:20 a.m.; Red Lake County at 11:00 a.m.; and Pennington County at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Page, seconded by Sorenson, to schedule the District's hearing for the Red Lake River 1W1P to coincide with each individual county hearing. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$6,155.68 for the Latendresse Dam Outlet Repair, RLWD Project No. 50B to Brummund Excavating, LLC. Motion by Page, seconded by Tiedemann, to approve Change Order No. 2 for \$6,155.68 to Brummund Excavating, LLC, for repairs to the Latendresse Dam Outlet Repair, RLWD Project No. 50B. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed Pay Estimate No. 4 in the amount of \$11,885.35 which includes a reduction in retainer from 10% to 5% for the Latendresse Dam Outlet Repair, RLWD Project No. 50B to Brummund Excavating, LLC. Motion by Tiedemann, seconded by Coe, to approve Pay Estimate No. 4 for \$11,885.35, to include a reduction of retainer, and set the Final Payment Hearing for 9:30 a.m. on November 10, 2016 for Brummund Excavating, LLC, for repairs to the Latendresse Dam Outlet Repair, RLWD Project No. 50B. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence to the MnDNR from landowner Dan Huot in regard to the Goose Lake Marsh Management Plan Summary.

The Board reviewed correspondence regarding the City of Grygla Wellhead Protection Program.

The Board reviewed the permits for action. Staff member Loren Sanderson stated that he had approved Permit No. 16101, William Langlois, with conditions as per the Red Lake County Engineer. Sanderson further stated that Permit No. 16123, Merlyn Perreault/Darrell Payment requested work for two separate sites, with Sanderson approving one site and denying the other site. Motion by Sorenson, seconded by Tiedemann, to approve the following permits with conditions stated on the permit: No. 16096, Douglas Peterson, Sullivan Township, Polk County; No. 16101, William Langlois, Louisville Township, Red Lake County; No. 16117, Scott Tersteeg, Terrebonne Township, Red Lake County; No. 16119, Ron Weiss, Lake Pleasant Township, Red Lake County; No. 16120, Thomas Scholin, Bray Township, Pennington County; No. 16122, Joyce Rock/Darrell Payment, Terrebonne Township, Red Lake County; No. 16124, Brad Barth, Kratka Township, Pennington County; No. 16125, John Frahm, Moylan Township, Marshall County; No. 16126, Garry Weiss/Curtis Funk, Wylie Township, Red Lake County; No. 16127 and 16128, Ross Hegge, Garnes Township, Red Lake County; No. 16129, Earl Hill, Badger Township, Polk County; No. 16130, Mike Anderson, North Township, Pennington County; No. 16131, Don Stenberg, Equality Township, Red Lake County; No. 16132, Mehrkens Farms, Inc., Rocksbury Township, Pennington County; No. 16134, Tyler & Ryan Nelson, Deer Park, Pennington County; No. 16135, Syliva Hoffman, Reiner Township, Pennington County; No. 16137, Pederson Brothers Farms, Grove Park Township, Polk County; No. 16139, Tomas Loberg, Rocksbury Township, Pennington County; No. 16141, Gary Pulkrabek, Sullivan Township, Polk County; and No. 16142, Mark & Holly Spong, Garnes Township, Red Lake County. Motion carried.

Administrator Jesme indicated that the November 24, 2016, Board meeting date falls on Thanksgiving Day. Motion by Coe, seconded by Tiedemann, to change the November 24, 2016 Board meeting to November 21, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the District office. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence from Enbridge regarding their Line 3 Replacement Project.

The 2016 MAWD Annual Meeting and Trade Show will be held December 1-3, 2016 at the Arrowwood Conference Center, Alexandria, MN.

The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Red River Basin Land and Water International Summit Conference will be held January 17-19, 2017 at the Ramada Plaza Fargo Hotel & Conference Center, Fargo, ND.

#### Administrators Update:

- Jesme and Manager Ose will attend the RRWMB meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> held at the District office.
- Jesme and Tony Nordby, Houston Engineering, Inc. hosted a tour of the Grand Marais Project with students from UND, along with Associate Professor Phil Gerla.
- Jesme attended an ADA meeting in Fergus Falls on October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Jesme, Manager Coe and staff member Corey Hanson attended the Upper/Lower Red Lake WRAP public meeting held in Kelliher, MN on October 11<sup>th</sup>.
- The District was asked to update the Public Official Agency information from the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board.
- Jesme will participate in a NRCS RCPP Training Session on October 26<sup>th</sup> in Fargo, ND, with Engineer Nate Dalager participating on October 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Included in the packet was a news article from the Star Tribune regarding the new buffer strip legislation.

Legal Counsel Sparby stated that he received a call from landowners Robert and Alisha Anderson regarding Permit No. 15106. Sparby was informed that seeding of the project site had taken place.

The Board held discussion regarding the sale of land west of St. Hilaire, within the Black River subwatershed. The land for sale is in the area identified for a possible retention sites to contribute towards the 20% Flood Reduction on the Red River. It was the consensus of the Board, to authorize the 20% Flood Reduction Committee, to work with local landowners to gauge their interest in the investigation of a project in the area.

Manager Sorenson inquired of the potential construction date for the City of Erskine Memorial Park Repairs, RLWD Project No. 164. Administrator Jesme indicated that the contractor had suggested it could be a possible fall construction project, but no definite date has been indicated.

Brad Johnson, Houston Engineering, Inc. stated that Davidson Construction, Inc. will be completing temporary repairs to the rock outlet chute on RLWD Ditch 10, Project No. 161 the week of October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Manager Torgerson discussed the elevation of water on the Four Legged Lake Project, RLWD Project No. 102A, stating that landowners have questioned him what the elevation of water would be.

Motion by Sorenson, seconded by Ose, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "LeRoy Ose". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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LeRoy Ose, Secretary