

Seine-Rat River Conservation District
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MINUTES

7 - 06: Board Meeting

July 18, 2006

Present: Cornie Goertzen - SD 4 Chairman
Jean Gagnon - SD 6 Chairman
Laurie Evans - SD 8 Chairman
Patrick Watson - Manager
Absent: Maurice Leclaire - SD 9 Chairman

Claude Gagné - SD 4 Vice-Chairman
Chris Goertzen - SD 7 Chairman
Rita Bazin - Financial Administrator

Also present: Phyllis Creedon, Councillor - R.M. of Reynolds
Neil Warkentin, Councillor - R.M. of Hanover

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Cornie Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

064-2006: Laurie Evans – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby approved as distributed.

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

065 -2006: Claude Gagné – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on June 20, 2006 be hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

IV. DELEGATION

a) Gordon Daman – Red River Appraisal Services is present to discuss and answer questions regarding property market values in the area.

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Goertzen gives his report of activities since the last meeting, including the Beaver Management Workshop.

VI. FINANCE

a) Expenditures - For approval.

066-2006: Jean Gagnon – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the list of expenditures as follows:
Cheque #1394-1418 for a total of \$35,377.30

CARRIED

b) Financial statement for month ending June 30, 2006.

067-2006: Claude Gagné – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1st Quarterly Report for month ending June 30, 2006 be hereby adopted as presented.

CARRIED

c) 2005-2006 Audited Financial Statement for year ending March 31, 2006

068-2006: Jean Gagnon – Chris Goertzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2005-2006 Audited Financial Statement for year ending March 31, 2006 is hereby received. **CARRIED**

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

069-2006: Laurie Evans – Claude Gagné

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager's Report be hereby accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

VIII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

SD 8 – Laurie Evans gives his sub-district's report. He advises that at their July 13th meeting, the main discussion was about concerns involving the *Giroux Bog*. Before any of these concerns can be addressed by the Board, more information is required regarding regulations pertaining to peat moss removal and regulation adherence.

The Manager is directed to compile information on the removal of peat moss, i.e. regulations, permits, ramification of extractions of peat moss, opportunities for municipal input, property ownership of the area where the peat moss has been extracted, and what are the future plans.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

a) Work Orders – Program Applications

070-2006: Chris Goertzen – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the twelve applications received for the sealing of abandoned wells. **CARRIED**

b) Manitoba Hydro Forest Enhancement Program - Application

071-2006: Laurie Evans – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD hereby apply for funding under the Manitoba Hydro Forest Enhancement Program. **CARRIED**

c) Land Purchase

Neil Warkentin excuses himself due to a potential conflict of interest and leaves the room.

The Board Members discuss the feasibility of purchasing a specific parcel of land which would be an ideal water retention area vs. the asking price of the said parcel. The Board consensus is that the Conservation District's role is to be involved in assisting the municipalities in identifying suitable water retention areas and in determining restrictions and guidelines for such areas.

072-2006: Chris Goertzen – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Seine-Rat River Conservation District hereby requests the municipalities to create a *Water Retention* category to be added to their Development Plan which would be suitable for submission to the province. **CARRIED**

Neil Warkentin returns to the boardroom.

Claude Gagné leaves at 10:50.

X. CORRESPONDENCE

a) MCDA – Meeting with PFRA – Invitation to a meeting hosted by MCDA with PFRA

b) Turtle Mountain CD – Southwest Manitoba Water Festival – Received as info

XI. NEXT MEETING – August 15th, 2006

XII. ADJOURNMENT

073-2006: Chris Goertzen – Jean Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be hereby declared adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

CARRIED

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman

Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator