

# **Seine-Rat River Conservation District**

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## **MINUTES**

**06 - 07: Board Meeting**

**June 19, 2007**

**Present:** Cornie Goertzen - SD 4 Chairman  
Paul Perreault – SD 6 Chairman  
Laurie Evans - SD 8 Chairman  
Kristy-Layne Carr - Manager  
Jodi Goerzen - Technician  
Claude Gagné – SD4 Vice-Chairman  
Sonny Peters - SD 7 Chairman  
Maurice Leclaire - SD 9 Chairman  
Rita Bazin - Financial Administrator  
Edwood Oswald – Sub-District 6 Member (R.M. of La Broquerie)  
Garry Gaetz – Sub-District 8 Member (R.M. of Reynolds)

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Cornie Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. and welcomes John McGregor, Farm Production Advisor in Steinbach. Mr. McGregor asks to be on the agenda.

### **II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **062-2007: Paul Perreault – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby accepted with the following additions:  
John McGregor – Request for financial assistance re composting.  
Edwood Oswald – Discuss issues of concern on behalf of the R.M. of La Broquerie  
Red River Basin – Membership  
**CARRIED**

### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **063-2007: Claude Gagné – Sonny Peters**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on May 15, 2007 be hereby adopted as circulated.  
**CARRIED**

### **IV. DELEGATIONS**

**John McGregor**, Farm Production Advisor thanks the SRRCD for assisting with the Green Gold project and gives an update on the project.  
He indicates that he is here on behalf of Gerry Dubé to request financial assistance with the promotion of his composting business to farmers.

### **V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman gives a report of his activities during the past month, including workshops and meetings he attended and upcoming events he wishes to attend, and reads reports from Rhonda McDougall and MCDA. He indicates that he will be assisting Wendy Bulloch to help find sponsors for the MCDA magazine. IWMP meetings: Laurie Evans elaborates by giving an update on meetings with Barry Oswald and Buzz Crooks who was hired as consultant for the SRRCD and LaSalle Redboine C.D.

**064-2007: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby supports MCDA's proposal to promote Manitoba's conservations districts and approves to pay an additional fee of \$1000 for this purpose to MCDA for the next three years.

**CARRIED****VI. FINANCE**

a) Expenditures - For approval.

**065-2007: Paul Perreault – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the list of expenditures to June 19, 2007 including: *Cheque numbers 1755 to 1796: \$26,740.93.*

**CARRIED**

b) Financial Statement

**066-2007: Maurice Leclaire – Claude Gagné**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the 2 months ending May 31, 2007 be hereby approved as presented.

**CARRIED****VII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS**

**Sub-District 6 - Paul Perreault:** A discussion arises regarding the size of a culvert that would be feasible off Highway 302. A survey will be required for this project. Mr. Oswald put forward that the proposed 30" culvert would not accomplish the original intent. The consensus is that a 24" culvert would be more appropriate in that area.

Mr. Oswald, on behalf of the R.M. of La Broquerie introduces his two other concerns:

a) Erosion in the ditch on St. Denis Road in the R.M. of La Broquerie north of P.T.H. 52 needs to be addressed and is requesting more information on solutions to the problem.

b) Fireguard 13, south of Marchand. The angle of the culvert is causing erosion problems and needs to be corrected. A project had been assisted by the SRRCD in 2006 and the consensus is that the ongoing problems need to be addressed. A ford rock crossing will be installed to address high water issues. Riprap will be installed on the eroded bank to repair it. Several miles further south, material was washed away around a culvert under F.R. 13. This situation will be addressed in conjunction with the previous project.

**067-2007: Paul Perreault – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves to cost share (50/50) a project estimated at \$2,200.00 with the R.M. of La Broquerie being W.O. #8010: F. R.13 South; AND ALSO BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD staff will administer the project and invoice the R.M. of La Broquerie for its share.

**CARRIED****068-2007: Paul Perreault – Sonny Peters**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby apply to the Province to install a 24" culvert at being W.O. #6002 – 25 N Road Allowance Water Retention Project.

**CARRIED**

Edwood Oswald leaves at 10:30 a.m.

**Sub-District 8:** Laurie Evans has been advised that gravel extraction in the area has compromised the condition of Fireguard 13 which is currently maintained under a contract agreement and administered by Cooks Creek Conservation District. The Manager is requested to investigate the allegations. The municipalities involved need to verify stipulations in agreements and address possible enforcement of regulations.

**Sub-District 9:** Maurice Leclaire advises that he is currently discussing the water levels in the Seine River within the Town of Ste. Anne boundaries. There has been no response as yet to the application made for the Lavallée Road project.

**069-2007: Maurice Leclaire – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves Sub-District 9 recommendations to send letters regarding riparian management and river health to landowners living along the Seine River west of the Town of Ste. Anne. **CARRIED**

**VIII. MANAGER’S REPORT**

**070-2007: Claude Gagné – Sonny Peters**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approve the recommendations made by the Manager for establishing the site for the culverts received in stock at the R.M. of La Broquerie municipal yard. **CARRIED**

**071-2007: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD staff participate as volunteers in the Amazing Agriculture Adventure to be held in September. **CARRIED**

**IX. DEFERRED BUSINESS**

- a) MCDA – Draft 2007-2010 Strategic Plan – Copy received by the Board Members – tabled for discussion at the July Board Meeting.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Wayne Hildebrand – Provincial Appointee Report for May, 2007 – Read by the Chairman and received as information.
- b) 2007 MCDA Convention – Conservation Family & Youth Public Speaking Contest. The Manager and 2 Board Members will be checking on a potential nominee for the Conservation Family award. More information is forthcoming on the Public Speaking Award for future consideration.

- c) Rotational Grazing – Approve maximum amount

**072-2007: Paul Perreault – Sonny Peters**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorize a maximum of \$750.00 on Rotational Grazing applications. **CARRIED**

- d) Manitoba Eco-Network Climate Change Network

**073-2007: Claude Gagné – Maurice Leclaire**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegate the Chairman and the Manager to attend the Manitoba Eco-Network Climate Change Network. **CARRIED**

- e) Minister of Water Stewardship – Peat moss licensing – Information received.
- f) Agriculture in the Classroom – 2007 Membership receipt and 2006 Annual Report are received as information.

- g) Workers Compensation Board of Manitoba – Reclassification to Municipal Boards/Districts information received.
- h) Canada’s 2008 Recreational Fisheries Awards – Received as information.

Garry Gaetz leaves at 11:55 a.m.

- i) 2007 MCDA Tour

**074-2007: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chair and two other Board Members be hereby authorized to attend the MCDA Tour in July. **CARRIED**

- j) Red River Basin Commission membership – Mr. Perreault will get more information regarding fees if the SRRCD were to join. The consensus is that the per capita fee should not apply to the SRRCD.

- k) John McGregor request for advertising donation to BDM Composting.

**075-2007: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approve a \$250.00 donation for promoting the ‘green’ or positive environmental side of composting manure.

**CARRIED**

- l) Claude Gagné asks to be excused from the next Board Meeting.

**XI. NEXT MEETING – July 17, 2007**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**076-2006: Sonny Peters – Laurie Evans**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be hereby declared adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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**Cornie Goertzen, Chairman**

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**Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator**