

Seine-Rat River Conservation District

PRESENT : Cornie Goertzen – Chairman SD 3 & 4 Gerry Maynard – Chairman SD 5
Paul Perreault – Chairman SD 6 Bob Brandt – Vice-Chairman SD 8
Maurice Leclaire – Chairman SD 9 Jodi Goerzen – Interim Manager
Rita Bazin – Financial Administrator Pierre deMoissac – Technician

REGRETS: Laurie Evans – Chairman SD 8 Sonny Peters – Chairman SD 7
Claude Gagné – Vice-Chairman SD 3 & 4 Larry Bugera – Provincial Appointee

Also in attendance are representatives from partner municipalities: Marielle Wiebe – Reeve, R.M. of La Broquerie; Chris Goertzen – Mayor, City of Steinbach; and Bob Bodnaruk – SD 8 Member (R.M. of Springfield)

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Cornie Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

137-2008: Gerry Maynard – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby adopted with the addition of the Chairman’s Report.
CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

138-2008: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the July 15, 2008 Board Meeting be hereby adopted.
CARRIED

IV. PROVINCIAL UPDATE – deferred until a representative has arrived.

V. FINANCE

a) List of Expenditures – For Approval

139-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the expenditures as per list.
CARRIED

b) Financial Statement – 4 months ending July 31, 2008

140-2008: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement be hereby approved as presented.
CARRIED

VI. SUB DISTRICT REPORTS

In the absence of the Sub-District 7 Chairman, the manager presents the following recommendations:

a) Tree Planting Project – 2nd Phase

141-2008: Gerry Maynard – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves SD 7 recommendation to apply to the Manitoba Hydro Forest Enhancement Program for 2nd phase of the City of Steinbach Riparian Park project.
CARRIED

b) Brochures distributed with City of Steinbach water bills

142-2008: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves SD 7 recommendation to send out rain garden information brochures with the City of Steinbach water bills in early 2009.

CARRIED

143-2008: Gerry Maynard – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approve SD 7 recommendation to complete a survey of the elevations of the land on the SE ¼ 36-5-6E as a potential water retention area;
AND ALSO BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M of La Broquerie & R.M. of Hanover councils be kept updated on the SRRCD's intentions.

CARRIED

c) Composting & rain barrel containers – The recommendation is deferred for more information from the Manager.

d) Shock chlorination program for contaminated wells – Board consensus is to NOT get involved in this process. Residents can get instructions for shocking their wells on the provincial website.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Goertzen gives a report of his activities since the last Board Meeting to include the following: three personnel committee meetings; a Manitoba Conservation Districts Association meeting; and the Israel Water Symposium.

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

144-2008: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire

WHEREAS the Board welcomes and encourages its partner municipalities to send representatives to attend SRRCD Board meetings;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby declines the R.M. of LaBroquerie's request for the Chairman & Manager to attend their next Council meeting.

CARRIED

145-2008: Gerry Maynard – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the purchase of a third desktop computer for the office.

CARRIED

Bob Brandt excuses himself and leaves the room, declaring personal interest in the following discussion.

146-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the purchase of an ATV and double trailer per recommendations received.

CARRIED

Bob Brandt returns to the Board meeting.

147-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault

WHEREAS Kristy-Layne Carr has advised that she intends to continue her maternity leave until the end of March, 2009;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the Personnel Committee's recommendation to extend the employment of Pierre deMoissac until required with a \$1.00/hour increase in pay effective immediately.

CARRIED

Pierre deMoissac gives his report on the well inventory and abandoned well project that he and Katelyn Graye were working on during the summer. Pierre will be providing the data they collected at the next Board meeting. The consensus is that this project was a great success.

148-2008: Paul Perreault – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager’s Report be hereby adopted. **CARRIED**

VIII. DEFERRED BUSINESS

a) Expansion Agreement – For approval

149-2008: Gerry Maynard – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the expansion proposal dated July 14, 2008 between the Province of Manitoba and the Seine-Rat River Conservation District to include a portion of the R.M. of Montcalm. **CARRIED**

IX. NEW BUSINESS

a) Department of Water Stewardship – Copy of CD Framework for the Future ‘What you Told Us’ - Received as information.

b) MCDA – Deadline dates for SRRCD’s Conservation District Awards

150-2008: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby nominates Jim & Donna Teleglow for the 2008 Conservation Family Award to be presented at the MCDA Convention in December. **CARRIED**

PROVINCIAL UPDATE

Patrick Watson, Planner for the CD Secretariat is present at the meeting to distribute a copy of and read the Provincial Appointee/CD Update dated August 2008 which includes information on the following:

- Technical Support from Water Control Systems Management.
- Funding Opportunity from the Lake Winnipeg Stewardship Board Fund from Environment Canada – more information is forthcoming.
- CD Expansions: East Interlake C.D. and Cooks Creek C.D.
- Watershed Management Planning – updates including changes to the IWMP process.
- Annual Reports and Audits – Sheldon Anderson working on improvements.

X. NEXT BOARD MEETING – September 16, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

151-2008: Paul Perreault – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be hereby declared adjourned at 11:05 a.m. **CARRIED**

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman

Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator