

SEINE-RAT RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

123 Simard Street – Box 339
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PRESENT:

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman SD 3 & 4	Laurie Evans, Chairman SD 8
Jim Swidersky, Vice-Chairman SD 3 & 4	Gerry Maynard, Chairman SD 5
Paul Perreault, Chairman SD 6	Jacques Leclaire, Chairman SD 7
Maurice Leclaire, Chairman SD 9	Larry Bugera, Provincial Appointee
Kristy-Layne Carr, CD Manager	Jodi Goerzen, Project Manager
Rita Bazin, Financial Administrator	

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chairman calls the meeting to order.

II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

141-2010: Jacques Trudeau – Laurie Evans

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

142-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of August 17, 2010 be hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

IV. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Goertzen gives his report on meetings attended: Rat River Project Management Team, Ernie Goertzen re potential land purchase, Grant Burr re Environment Canada funding announcement, Loren Remillard, the SRRCD appreciation barbeque, and is charging for five other times for various other duties pertaining to requests for grants from La Caisse and the Steinbach Credit Union towards the educational programs, sign cheques and the Lake Winnipeg Basin Commission announcement.

143-2010: Jacques Trudeau – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approves that public meetings of the Rat River Integrated Water Management Plan be held in Zhoda, St. Malo and Otterburne.

CARRIED

V. **MANITOBA WATER STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Patrick Watson is present and elaborates on the Rat River Integrated Water Management Plan. A discussion ensues as to who should be on the Rat River Project Management Team (PMT). Patrick advises that he has sent an invitation to the R.M. of Piney and will be sending one to the R.M. of Morris. The Board instructs Patrick to invite the municipalities who are not members of the SRRCD to all public meetings and Watershed Team meetings but reminds him that the PMT has already been established.

144-2010: Gerry Maynard – Larry Bugera

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Terms of Reference be hereby approved as developed by the Project Management Team.

CARRIED

At Water Stewardship's request, the Board views a short presentation by Henry David Venema of International Institute for Sustainable Development speaking on water innovation/watershed management by integrating land and water management.

VI. **FINANCE**

a) Accounts Payable

145-2010: Paul Perreault – Jacques Trudeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the accounts payable as per list.

CARRIED

b) Financial Statement

146-2010: Jim Swidersky – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the Month ending August 31, 2010 be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

The CD Manager gives her report. She also advises that she needs Board approval on the following:

a) Changes made by Manitoba Water Stewardship to the 2011-2012 Conservation District budgets

147-2010: Jacques Trudeau – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby appoints the following to the budget committee to include attendance at the Budget Showcase to be held at Oak Hammock Marsh: Paul Perreault, Cornie Goertzen, Laurie Evans.

CARRIED

b) Office expense

148-2010: Laurie Evans – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves an expenditure of \$660 for office shelves.

CARRIED

c) Well inventory wrap-up:

149-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Jacques Trudeau

WHEREAS office staff has encountered various communication challenges dealing with Maxxam Labs this summer;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a letter be sent to the Minister of Water Stewardship and cc'd to Kim Phillips of the Office of Drinking Water to voice the SRRCD's concerns.

CARRIED

150-2010: Paul Perreault – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Catherine Gérardy be requested to finish compiling well water test results that have come in late from the laboratory at the CD Manager & Chair's discretion.

CARRIED

d) Seine River IWMP:

151-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Paul Perreault

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BOARD hereby accepts a quote from Print Studio One to print up to 250 copies (or balance of the budgeted amount) of the completed Seine River Integrated Management Plan.

CARRIED

VIII. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

Gerry Maynard, Chairman SD 5 gives his report on a sub-district meeting called on Monday, September 22: there was no quorum, so he does not have any recommendation for Board approval.

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman & Jim Swidersky, Vice-Chairman SD 3/4 have the following recommendations for Board approval subsequent to a meeting held on Monday, September 13 as follows:

152-2010: Jim Swidersky – Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a Sub-District 3/4 recommendation that Roger Bouvier be requested to facilitate the DeSalaberry Crown Land project public meeting to be held on October 13 at the rate of \$60 per hour plus mileage.

CARRIED

153-2010: Jim Swidersky – Maurice Leclaire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves a Sub-District 3/4 recommendation to add two culverts equal in size to the two culverts at the intersection of 19N and 30E to the inlet side of the DeSalaberry Crown Land project (11-4-5E) to protect the stability of the existing fence.

CARRIED

Maurice Leclaire, Chairman of Sub-District 9 reports on meetings he had with the SRRCD Managers regarding the following potential projects: a potential rain garden project to be used as a showcase for other interested landowners; a potential water retention area; and repairs to the Teleglow project.

154-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Jacques Trudeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Board hereby authorizes the repair of the Teleglow water retention in the amount of approximately \$5,800 and that funds be transferred from another project provided that funds are available.

CARRIED

IX. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

a) Environment Canada, Lake Winnipeg Basin Stewardship Fund

155-2010: Laurie Evans – Paul Perreault

WHEREAS the Seine-Rat River Conservation District has applied for a contribution of \$150,000 for the Water Management Program for La Coulée sub-watershed of the Seine River under Environment Canada's Lake Winnipeg Basin Stewardship Fund (LWBSF);

AND WHEREAS LWBSF has approved only \$60,000 (per letter dated September 10, 2010);

AND WHEREAS the Board and partners cannot see the benefits of doing the project in stages and without sufficient funds to complete the project;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board cannot accept LWBSF's partial contribution at this time.

CARRIED

b) Government News: Manitoba's Strategic Water Conservation Plan. Received as information.

c) Rhonda McDougal, Director of Manitoba Water Stewardship. The Minister explains the new format for the Conservation District Budget presentation process. The proposed budget for 2010-2011 will be presented under a regional work program showcase and coordinated by regional planners. Received as information.

d) R.M. of Hanover – Authority is given to the SRRCD to manage Pt. NW¼ 31-6-5E for use as an open class-room with terms and conditions applied.

e) R.M. of Taché – The R.M.'s response to overland flooding concerns in Mun 48N & Mun 40E. A meeting will be scheduled.

f) FIPPA – designation and delegation of authority of SRRCD official

156-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Jacques Trudeau

WHEREAS Section 80 of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act requires that each local public body designate a person or group of persons as its Head for the purposes of this Act;

AND WHEREAS the Seine-Rat River Conservation District (SRRCD) is a local public body under The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD hereby designates the Financial Administrator as the Head of the SRRCD for the purpose of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act effective September 21, 2010.

CARRIED

g) Robin Gislason, Red River Basin Commission – Board consensus is that memberships remain 'as is' and that the Red River Basin Commission deal directly with the municipalities.

157-2010: Gerry Maynard – Jacques Trudeau

WHEREAS the Red River Basin Commission has developed the Red River Basin Natural Resource Framework Plan (RRB-NRFP) through in-depth basin-wide consultation as a guideline to help unite the basin in achieving a collaborative and co-operative approach to land and water management within the basin:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Seine Rat River Conservation District hereby declares support for the RRBC-NRFP in principle as a guideline for moving forward with a shared vision for the future;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD will do its part by implementing projects, programs, actions in our area as we are able that will contribute to this shared vision.

CARRIED

h) MCDA Conservation Awards – There is no name to be submitted this year.

- i) Dawn Harris, Executive Director MCDA
 - a. Changes to Convention Youth Awards – No name to be submitted.
 - b. Nominations to CD Builder Award – No name to be submitted.
- j) AMM Municipal Insurance Programs – AMM Health & Dental plan for Councillors. Deferred until after the municipal elections.

- k) Revenue Canada Charities information sessions

158-2010 : Laurie Evans – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorizes the Financial Administrator to attend the 2010 Charities Information session to be held in Winnipeg on October 13, 2010 with mileage & out of pocket expenses associated thereto. **CARRIED**

- l) Simply Accounting – Power Excel workshops

159-2010: Maurice Leclaire – Jacques Trudeau

BE ITRESOLVED THAT the Board hereby authorizes the Financial Administrator to attend the Power Excel seminar with costs associated thereto including mileage and out of pocket expenses. **CARRIED**

- m) Pembina Valley C.D. – Copy of letter to W. Hildebrand re Summary of consultation concerning new funding formula. Received as information.

- n) Whitemud Watershed C.D. – Sale of Used Equipment. Received as information.

- o) MTS – Notice of Changes to Wireless Voicemail Feature. Received as information

- p) Agriculture in the Classroom Manitoba Inc. – Copy of Audited Financial Statement. Received as information.

- q) Fisheries Enhancement Fund – 18th Annual Stamp Painting Competition Reception & Unveiling. Received as information.

X. NEXT BOARD MEETING – October 19, 2010

XI. ADJOURNMENT

160-2010: Paul Perreault – Jacques Trudeau

BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

CORNIE GOERTZEN, CHAIRMAN

RITA BAZIN, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR