

SEINE-RAT RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cornie Goertzen, Chairman SD 3 & 4	Gerry Maynard, Chairman SD 5
Germaine Roy, Vice-Chairman SD 6	Earl Funk, Chairman SD 7
Randy Eros, Vice-Chairman SD 8	Art Bergmann, Chairman SD 9

STAFF PRESENT:

Kristy-Layne Carr, Rita Bazin, Jodi Goerzen

I. CALL TO ORDER at 9:04 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

090-2012: Art Bergmann – Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby approved with the following additions to XII

- k) DeSalaberry Crown Lands water retention project
- l) Cooks Creek – Resolution re new policy
- m) CWRA luncheon

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

091-2012: Gerry Maynard – Germain Roy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby adopts the Minutes of the April 17, 2012 Board meeting as circulated.

CARRIED

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cornie Goertzen, reports on his activities as chairman since the last Board meeting. He has attended the following meetings: 'Key to Good Governance Workshop', Forest Road 13, Rat River Project Management Team. He also attended the Tourond Creek Discovery Centre public relations event and an extra 5 hours for office related issues such as meeting the summer staff on their first day, sign cheques, etc.

V. MANITOBA CONSERVATION DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

- a) News Release for the MCDA Conference – A copy is circulated for Board perusal
- b) Professional Development Workshop – The Chairman reviews some of the topics discussed at the workshop on good governance held at Oak Hammock Marsh.

VI. FINANCE

- a) Accounts Payable

092-2012: Earl Funk – Randy Eros

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts payable be hereby approved for payment as per list. **CARRIED**

- b) Financial Statement for the one month ending April 30, 2012

093-2012: Gerry Maynard – Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statements for April, 2012 be hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

Kristy-Layne Carr gives her report. A copy of her report was circulated. The following is submitted for Board approval:

094-2012: Gerry Maynard – Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the quote of \$3,255.00 submitted by Evergreen Projects being the labour and material for stairs to be installed onto the existing lookout tower at the Tourond Creek Discovery Centre.

CARRIED**095-2012: Art Bergmann – Earl Funk**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby approves the amended quote of \$7,607.92 for the supply and installation of the dock at the TCDC as submitted by S & H Docks & Lifts.

CARRIED**096-2012: Gerry Maynard – Germaine Roy**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby awards Cory & Rene's Plumbing and Backhoe Service the 2012 abandoned wells contract for the cost of \$10,976.00 based on the quotation submitted.

CARRIED**VIII. MANITOBA WATER STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Patrick Watson, Planner's e-mail gives an update on the status of provincial LiDar imagery. Read and received as circulated.

IX. DELEGATION

Scott Beaton, Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation is present to answer Board questions and express his willingness to work with the Board with potential sites for conservation agreements. He states that the Province has cut its share of funding which is reallocated to the conservation districts for the costs.

X. SUB DISTRICT REPORTS

No sub-district meetings held since the last Board meeting.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

a) R.M. of Stuartburn – Sealing Abandoned Well Application. The Board requires an approximate cost of sealing the well.

b) Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation, Crown Lands Property Agency

097-2012: Gerry Maynard – Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board has no concerns regarding the application for a permit to purchase property legally described as Pt. NE & NW¼ 15-3-9E.

CARRIED

c) R.M. of Hanover – Meet & Mingle Golf Day

098-2012: Gerry Maynard – Germaine Roy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby delegate two Board members to attend the Meet & Mingle Golf Day on behalf of the SRRCD on June 14, 2012.

CARRIED

d) Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship. Changes in provincial mileage & meal allowance rates as of April 1, 2012. **Reminder:** if the Board approves mileage rates above the provincial rates, the additional cost will have to be borne 100% by municipal funding per CD Commission policy.

e) R.M. of Piney – A copy of By-Law 83/2012 approving participation in the SRRCD as at April 1, 2012 is received as information.

f) R.M. of DeSalaberry – Copy of Resolution is received supporting the Joel Gosselin water retention/nature habitat project proposal in St. Malo.

g) Manitoba Provincial Grazing Tour – Request for corporate sponsorships & invitation to participate. The manager informs the board that there is a project in the SRRCD which could be showcased.

h) R.M. of De Salaberry – Copy of resolution re Camille Nault project.

i) Financial Administrators' Annual Meeting

099-2012: Art Bergmann – Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Administrator be hereby delegated to attend the Financial Administrators' meeting with expenses paid. **CARRIED**

j) R.M. of Franklin – Copy of Resolution supporting water retention project on Ducks Unlimited property is received as information. However, the following resolution introduced.

100-2012: Gerry Maynard – Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD investigate the possibility of purchasing land owned by Ducks Unlimited in the Rat River swamp. **CARRIED**

k) DeSalaberry Crown Land water retention project. Board consensus is that the weather is perfect and conditions are ideal to start working on the project. The hold-up is from the provincial engineer who has not completed his report and therefore no approval has been formally received. The Manager will contact him to request permission to start as soon as possible.

l) Canadian Water (CWRA) – Water Management luncheon

101-2012: Gerry Maynard – Germaine Roy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff be hereby delegated to attend the CWRA luncheon on May 31, 2012.

CARRIED

XII. NEXT BOARD MEETING – June 19, 2012

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

102-2012: Art Bergmann – Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be hereby adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

CARRIED

CORNIE GOERTZEN, CHAIRMAN

RITA BAZIN, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR