

## SEINE-RAT RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cornie Goertzen - Chairman SD 3 & 4 and Chairman of Board  
 Jim Swidersky – Vice-Chairman SD 3 & 4 and Vice-Chairman of Board  
 Gerry Maynard - Chairman SD 5  
 Bob Brandt - Chairman SD 8  
 Earl Funk – Chairman SD 7  
 Larry Bugera – Provincial Appointee

Germain Roy - Chairman SD 6  
 Art Bergmann – Chairman SD 9  
 Ed Penner – Chairman SD 2

### STAFF PRESENT:

Jodi Goerzen, Interim Manager  
 Karina Drewniak, Interim Project Supervisor

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- Add in Camera Session after approval of the minutes.

**163-2013: Art Bergmann – Larry Bugera**

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

**CARRIED**

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**164-2013: Art Bergmann – Ed Penner**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Board meeting held on November 18 & 19, 2013 be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

IV. **IN CAMERA**

**165-2013: Jim Swidersky – Earl Funk**

BE IT RESOLVED to go in camera.

**CARRIED**

**166-2013: Bob Brandt – Art Bergmann**

BE IT RESOLVED to come out of camera.

**CARRIED**

**167-2013: Art Bergmann – Earl Funk**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the staff receive a cheque for the amount of \$150 as a Christmas bonus.

**CARRIED**

**168-2013: Earl Funk – Jim Swidersky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board regrettfully accepts the resignation of Rita Bazin, financial administrator.

**CARRIED**

**169-2013: Jim Swidersky - Art Bergmann**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board investigate the job description for hiring a suitable replacement for position of financial administrator

**CARRIED**

**170-2013: Earl Funk – Ed Penner**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board give signing authority to Jodi Goerzen, Interim District Manager.

**CARRIED**

V. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Goertzen reports on his activities as Chairman, including the following: 3 days at the MCDA conference in Brandon, MB, Wayne Hildebrandt was MC, youth presentations (from BU, ACC, and youth grade 7-12), Conservation District presentations from managers, land owners, and Bob Sanford, and a presentation from minister Gord Macintosh addressing issues around the budget cuts and what is being done to help alleviate them. Also attended a personnel meeting.

**VI. MANITOBA CONSERVATION DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**

- Cornie attended a meeting where the Manitoba Conservation District Association presented to the deputy minister on concerns regarding the lack of core funding, 7 Conservation Districts asked for additional funding, and the deputy minister said he could not foresee an increase happening this year.

**VII. FINANCE**

a) Accounts Payable

**171-2013: Art Bergmann – Larry Bugera**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts payable be approved for payment as per list with the addition of the Interim District Managers expenses of \$261.68.

**CARRIED****172-2013: Bob Brandt – Jim Swidersky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial statement for the one month ending November 30, 2013 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED****VIII. MANAGER'S REPORT**

Jodi Goerzen reads her report and has the following for Board direction.

**173-2013: Jim Swidersky – Art Bergmann**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Board hereby approves the purchase of a Carillon Christmas promotional add for \$594.

**CARRIED****IX. MANITOBA WATER STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Robin Beukens, Watershed Planner is welcomed to the meeting. Robin reminds the manager that Growing Forward 2 funding applications are due in February. Robin is willing to offer assistance with hiring and developing a job description for financial administrator.

**X. SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS****174-2013: Art Bergmann – Germain Roy**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board hereby approves that the manager attends the managers meeting January 23 & 24.

**CARRIED****175-2013: Ed Penner – Gerry Maynard**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board hereby accepts the recommendation from Sub-District 2 that a part-time position for a Roseau River Watershed Supervisor be advertised by the SRRCD with the following criteria:

- 20hrs/week with a flexible schedule
- Relevant degree or background in natural resource management, geography, environmental studies, agriculture or similar discipline
- Proficiency using ArcGIS, LiDAR information and Microsoft Office
- Excellent communication skills both interpersonal and with proposal writing
- Benefits available after probationary period
- Valid driver's license

Furthermore, the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Roseau River Watershed would be involved with the interview process for this position and this position would meet the budgeted requirement.

**CARRIED****176-2013: Ed Penner – Gerry Maynard**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby accepts the recommendation from Sub-District 2 that the SRRCD partners with the South Central Eco-Institute for the purpose of water quality testing and education; with the SRRCD purchasing the related testing equipment recommended by the South Central Eco Institute for up to \$10,000.

**CARRIED**

**177-2013: Ed Penner – Larry Bugera**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board accepts the recommendation from Sub-District 2 that the Well Inventory Program commences in the Roseau River Watershed, the spring of 2014, in partnership with the Province of Manitoba.

**CARRIED**

**XI. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) MAFRI – Crop Day on February 13<sup>th</sup> 2014

**178-2013: Ed Penner – Larry Bugera**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board approves the attendance of MAFRI crop day with coffee sponsorship February 13, 2014 in Steinbach.

**CARRIED**

- b) CWRA – Workshop on January 31<sup>st</sup>. Taken as information.
- c) Land Titles District of Winnipeg - Notice of Filing Caveat. Taken as information.
- d) Consensus Committee – Workshop Report. Taken as information.
- e) Manitoba Conservation & Water Stewardship – CDs of Manitoba 2012-2013 Annual Report. Taken as information.
- f) Western Financial Group – AMM Group Health & Dental Insurance Program. Taken as information.
- g) Workers Compensation Board of Manitoba – Rate staying the same. Taken as information.
- h) Red River Basin Commission – Request for Silent Auction & door prize donations. Taken as information.
- i) Christmas Greetings:
  - a. Bill W Friesen & Sons Ltd.
  - b. R.M. of Ste. Anne

**XII. DELEGATION**

Manitoba Hydro received stakeholder input for the new transmission line route from board members and staff.

**XIII. NEXT BOARD MEETING– January 21, 2014**

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

**179-2013: Art Bergmann – Larry Bugera**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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CORNIE GOERTZEN, CHAIRMAN

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RECORDING SECRETARY