

SEINE-RAT RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cornie Goertzen - Chair SD 3&4 and Chair of Board
 Ed Penner – Chair SD 2
 Gerry Maynard - Chair SD 5
 Earl Funk – Chair SD 7
 Bob Brandt – Chair SD 8

Art Bergmann – Chair SD 9
 Jim Swidersky – Vice Chair SD 3&4 and Vice Chair of Board
 Germain Roy – Chair SD 6

ABSENT/EXCUSED:

Larry Bugera – Provincial Appointee

STAFF:

Jodi Goerzen, District Manager
 Lorne Gershman, Financial Administrative Clerk

Chris Randall, Project Supervisor

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Cornie Goertzen calls the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

055-2014: Earl Funk – Art Bergmann

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be hereby approved with the additions of item d) and e).

CARRIED

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

056-2014: Bob Brandt – Germain Roy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Board meeting held on April 22, 2014 be approved as circulated

CARRIED

IV. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Cornie Goertzen reports on his activities as Chairman, including the following: Administrative Duties, cheque signing, interviews, meetings and various commuting.

V. **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT**

The new summer Interns, Alan Wiebe and Vjaceslav Moor were introduced to the board.

VI. **MANITOBA CONSERVATION DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**

Manager Jodi Goerzen presented the June 17th and 18th Swan Lake tour to the board members, taken as information.

VII. **FINANCE**

057-2014: Jim Swidersky– Ed Penner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts payable be approved as presented.

CARRIED

058-2014: Earl Funk– Gerry Maynard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a financial reserve account be set up for the unmatched 2013-2014 municipal funding of \$27,400.

CARRIED

059-2014: Jim Swidersky– Earl Funk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a separate financial reserve account be set up for the Rat River IWMP of \$18,044.

CARRIED

060-2014: Earl Funk – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial budget for 2014-2015 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

It is to be noted that SRRCD is still waiting on final confirmation from Growing Forward 2 for the external funding applied for.

VIII. MANITOBA WATER STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Board members to note the report from Robin Beukens, taken for information.

IX. MANAGER'S REPORT

Jodi Goerzen read her report. See Manager Report attached.

X. **SUB-DISTRICT REPORTS

Each Sub-District representative read their respective reports.

Despite a number of requests for Provincial investigation of pipes discharging into the river there has been no action. Need to escalate request for investigation.

****061-2014: Bob Brandt – Ed Penner**

BE IT RESOLVED TO send a letter to MLA's Ron Lemieux, Kelvin Goertzen and Dennis Smuck reporting the lack of action taken on the unlicensed pipes flowing into the Seine River, documented by the SRRCD in 2010, as well as a copy be sent to Manitoba Department of Conservation and Water Stewardship.

CARRIED

****062-2014: Bob Brandt – Earl Funk**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD proceed with the project to hold water back at the Blumenort Retention Pond.

CARRIED

Jodi presented Unger Excavating's tender to install culverts at Premier Peat Mine for \$1,900.

****063-2014: Bob Brandt – Art Begmann**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD should proceed with the project to hold the water back at the Premier Peat Mine in the Giroux Bog and hire Unger Excavating for the quoted amount of \$1,900 upon written consent from Premier.

CARRIED

Board agrees on the need to identify the inter-relationship between sub-districts for the purpose of surface water management and to pursue options to hold water back that provide maximum benefits for the entire district, including east of forestry road 13.

****064-2014: Art Begmann – Jim Swidersky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD proceed with the project to retain water on R.M. of Tache's land on Fish Creek near Monominto Road.

CARRIED

****065-2014: Art Begmann – Gerry Maynard**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD proceed with the investigation into the L. Dorge Water Retention project North of Lorette.

CARRIED

Proposal for a conservation easement on the Teleglow Water Retention project was presented with the request for the conservation district to pay legal fees, Manager will investigate a possible cost-share with MHHC.

****066-2014: Art Begmann – Gerry Maynard**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SRRCD proceed with negotiations on the creation of the Conservation Easement for up to \$4,000 with the MHHC.

CARRIED

XI. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

Jodi Goerzen presented the amendments to the policy as recommended by the Policy Committee

067-2014: Bob Brandt – Jim Swidersky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board has agreed to the policy amendments in regards to policies # 2.1, 2.2 ,2.17 ,2.19, 2.19A , 2.19B 3.1, 3.3, 3.5, 4.3, 5.2, 5.3, 5.7, 5.8, 6.4, 6.7, 7.1, 10.2, 10.3, 10.5, 10.9, 10.12, 10.13, with the modification to 10.5 and 10.9

CARRIED

XII. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **MB Hydro** – suggestion was made to MB Hydro to avoid the Teleglow Water Retention project
- b) **La Broquerie Community Development Committee** – Taken as information.
- c) **CWRA** – Lake Friendly Accord invitation

****068-2014: Gerry Maynard – Jim Swidersky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager and Chair will attend the CWRA’s presentation on the Lake Friendly Accord

CARRIED

- d) **St. Malo Lake Fish Study** - Gerry mentioned that SRRCD could potentially find joint projects with Mark Lowden and Fish study related work, as St. Malo Lake received a \$25,000 grant for the fish study currently going on.
- e) **Rain Barrels** - The SRRCD should consider revisiting its rain barrel promotion project from 2010.

XIII. NEXT BOARD MEETING– June 17, 2014

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

069-2014: Jim Swidersky – Bob Brandt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:44am.

CARRIED

CORNIE GOERTZEN, CHAIRMAN

LORNE GERSHMAN, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK