Lower Red River Watershed Management Board

Meeting:

Lower Red River Watershed Management Board January 14, 1987

The Lower Red River Watershed Management Board met on January 14, 1987 at 9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn at Grand Forks, ND..

President Don Ogaard called the meeting to order.

Members present were:

Don Ogaard Roger Ward Dan Wilkens Arnold Person Iner Quern Vernon Erickson Curtis Nelson Harley Younggren

Others present were:

Dan Thul-Coordinator-LRRWMB Lowell Enerson-Administrater-Red Lake Watershed District Truman Sandland-Red Lake Watershed District Francis LeVoi-Sand Hill Watershed District Russell Sander-Red Lake Watershed District Paul Brekken-Red Lake Watershed District Roland Gulleckson-Sand Hill Watershed District Tim Halle-Reporter Henry Vasek-Middle River-Snake River Watershed District Gene Ueland-Wild Rice Watershed District Morris Dahl-Two Rivers Watershed District Rudee Anderson-Two Rivers Watershed District Lawrence Woodbury-Houston Engineering Lloyd Wiseth-Red Lake Watershed District Ron Adrian-Middle River-Snake River Watershed District Lance Yohe-President-TIC

Minutes of the December 18, 1986 meeting were read and approved.

Upon motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Erickson, the annual auditors report as of December 31, 1986 prepared by Conrad Dahl CPA and presented by Treasurer Roger Ward, duly passed.

Chairman Ogaard reported that Represenative Bernie Leider was going to introduce a bill that would include the County Board of Commissioners in the decision making process on proposed projects. Upon motion by Manager Ward, seconded by Manager Wilkens, and duly passed, a letter is to be drafted and sent to Represenative Leider requesting him to withdraw support for the suggested, "mandatory prioritization proposal" and allow the ongoing efforts to accomplish the intended purpose.

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Project Reports:

Roseau River Watershed District

Roseau Wildlife Management Area

In the minutes of the January 8, 1986 the LRRWMB approved entering: " into an agreement with the State of Minnesota, D.N.R. and the Roseau River Watershed District on the draw down of one foot on pool #2 and pool #3 and agreed to split funding with the Roseau River Watershed District on a 10% - 90% basis. The estimated total cost is now less than \$96,000.00. Due to previous minutes the Treasurer is authorized to issue payment of \$85,886.00 to the State of Minnesota.

Wild Rice Watershed District

The Wild Rice Watershed District submitted for Step I approval the area above the Olson Agassiz Project. It would help the Olson Agassiz Project by improving a siltation problem. It would have a six square mile drainage area and a storage capacity of 506 acre feet with an estimated cost of \$690,200.00. Upon motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Wilkens, the Step I submittal was rejected to have the submittal returned to the Wild Rice Watershed District for their review, duly carried.

The following officers were duly elected for 1987:

Chairman Donald Ogaard Vice Chairman Arnold Person Secretary Harley Younggren

Treasurer Roger Ward

After discussion, a motion by Manager Ward, seconded by Manager Person to retain Tim Halle as a reporter at meetings deemed beneficial by the Chairman, duly carried.

George Carlson, U.S.G.S., St. Paul, Minnesota explained to the board what they do in the area of stream gaging, surface water studies, ground water studies and how the funds are allocated, Also that 50% matching funds can be obtained for requests of local units of government.

A discussion on the water planning effort with counties was held. It was stated that #830,000.00 in State funding is available to counties for planning. \$265,000.00 is available for the Red River Valley over a two year period. It would amount to about \$25,000.00 per county. The question was whether the LRRWMB would co-sponsor the effort. Upon motion by Manager Person, seconded by Manager Quern the LRRWMB will cooperate in planning and coordinating the

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local comprehensive Water Management Act, duly carried.

Upon motion by Manager Quern, seconded by Manager Person to pay the Department of Natural Resources \$21,950.00 for Dan Thuls' services, duly carried.

Upon motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Nelson and duly carried the following bills were ordered paid:

U.S.G.S.	\$23,690.00
Conrad Dahl CPA- Audit	508.00
Business Agency-General Liability Ins.	2,111.00
Bonds-Board Members	500.00

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

A joint meeting with the North Dakota Joint Water Resources Board followed a noon lunch. The North Dakota group had members of the Army Corps of Engineers there to give progress reports of various projects they have in North Dakota and Minnesota and to explain the 404 permit situation between the Corps and the E.P.A..

Respectfully submitted,

Harley Younggren, Secretary