LOWER RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD

Meeting:

Lower Red River Watershed Management Board October 31, 1989

The Lower Red River Watershed Management Board met on October 31, 1989, at 9:00 a.m. at the Red Lake Watershed District office in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

President Don Ogaard called the meeting to order.

Members present were:

Roger Ward
Curtis Nelson
Arnold Person
Dan Wilkens

Don Ogaard Richard Bowen Ron Osowski Harley Younggren

Others present were:

Paul Brekken, Red Lake Watershed District
Dan Thul, LRRWMB Coordinator
Omar Rood, JOR Engineering
Rick St. Germain, Houston Engineering
Richard Haase, Red Lake Watershed District
Ron Adrian, Middle River-Snake River Watershed District
Lloyd Wiseth, Red Lake Watershed District
Jon Roeschlein, Bois de Sioux Watershed District
Clifton Olson, Bois de Sioux Watershed District
Lowell Enerson, Red Lake Watershed District

Jeff Edmonds, U.S. Forestry Service

Minutes of the September 19, 1989 meeting were approved as received

The Treasurers report as of October 31, 1989 was accepted as read.

Dan Thul provided two handouts to the Board. The first was a report on the obligated fund balance for the LRRWMB. The second handout was a list on the Flood Damage Priorities in Region I.

District Reports:

Wild Rice WSD - Projects #35 and #36 have been completed and Project #3 7 has been dropped.

Two Rivers WSD - A public meeting will be held on the Juneberry Project on December 6, 1989.

Bois de Sioux WSD - They are identifying future project areas and are writing Rules and Regulations for the Watershed District.

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Buffalo-Red River WSD - They are obtaining easements on Stinking La #16, will hold preliminary hearing and are obtaining easement options Donley Detention #9. On Deerhorn Creek #22 they are obtaining easement options, getting soil borings and looking for borrow sites.

Sand Hill WSD - No results on the Winger Dam water quality study.

Joe River WSD - The Noyes Dike has been completed.

Red Lake WSD -

Good Lake Project - Have started construction.

Burnham Creek - is a year behind with construction.

Maple Lake - specifications and plans are being completed.

Will be ready for Step II approval.

Walker Brook and Pine Lake have not been submitted.

Roseau River WSD - Have completed cleaning cutoff #10 on State Ditch #51 on the Roseau River.

Middle River-Snake River WSD - Have completed three miles of construction on State Ditch #3. Two ring dikes are nearly completed and they have repaired the Red River dikes where needed.

Jeff Edmonds of the Forestry Service reported that the Elm market is nearly non-existent. Upon re-evaluation of the situation, a motion Manager Bowen, seconded by Manager Nelson to withdraw the Forester position, duly carried.

A discussion was held on the Project Evaluation Manual. It was suggested that it should be updated and refined, with a mission statement. The Board agreed that the manual should be reviewed at home and then be cussed again at the next meeting.

A discussion was then held o'n the Administrator position:

- 1. Hire a person on a contract basis with no benefits.
- 2. Would be under unclassified with a \$40,000.00 plus salary.
- 3. Would be a professional person , not necessarily an Engineer.
- 4. Could be hired in ninety days.
- 5. Should be a two year minimum contract.

It was decided to take the employee suggestions and review for the next meeting.

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Upon motion, second and duly carried, the following bills were ordered paid:

Ron Adrian \$250.00 St. Vincent Township - Noyes dike 750.66

The next meeting will be held on November 21, 1989 at Crookston, Minnesota.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Harley Younggren, Secretary