# LOWER RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING December 18, 1990

The Lower Red River Watershed Management Board met on Tuesday, December 18, 1990, at 9:30 A.M. at the Sand Hill Watershed District office in Fertile, Minnesota.

Chairman Don Ogaard called the meeting to order.

# Members present were:

Curtis Nelson Paul Brekken

Dan Wilkens<sup>1</sup> Roger Ward

Dan Ogsand Harley Younge

Don Ogaard Harley Younggren Ron Osowski Richard Bowen

### Others present were:

Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Omar Rood, J.O.R. Engineering
Jon Roeschlien, Administrator, Bois de Sioux WSD
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River WSD
Rick St. Germain, Engineer, Houston Engineering
Lance Yohe, TIC
Kevin Adolfs, Engineer, Red Lake WSD
Bill Best, BWSR Hydrologist
Vernon Johnson, Red Lake WSD
Gene Ueland, Wild Rice WSD
Brian Dwight, Bwsr Board Representative

Minutes of the November 20, 1990 meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report as of December 18, 1990 was accepted as read.

Upon motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Osowski, to accept Roger Ward's resignation as Treasurer, effective December 31, 1990, carried.

Lance Yohe, from the International Coalition proposed a comprehensive Local Training and Communication Program linkage with the LRRWMB. It has an estimated cost of \$58,000. The Board questioned whether they should or could participate with the concept. It was decided that this would be discussed again at a later meeting.

Dan Thul presented a contract from USGS for participation in stream gauging from October 1, 1990, through September 30, 1991, at a cost of \$14,252.50. On motion by Manager Wilkins, seconded by Manager Bowen to authorize the LRRWMB to enter into a contract with USGS for the period October 1, 1990, through September 30, 1991, at a cost of \$14,252.50, duly carried.

Dan suggested that the Star Value Appendix be added to the Project Evaluation draft.

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Bill Best, Regional Representative of BWSR, told the Board that he is available to assist LCWP planners with work plans, budgets and in applying for grants.

Brian Dwight, BWSR representative for the Northwest Region, represents all the watershed districts in the LRRWMB except the Buffalo Red WSD. He works with the Watershed Districts and SWCD's boards. He would like to receive the minutes of the LRRWMB and all the Watershed Districts in his district, which would help him in lines of communication with other agencies.

#### DISTRICT REPORTS:

# Wild Rice Watershed District

Don Ogaard was appointed as the District's representative to the LRRWMB for a three year term and Gene Ueland is the alternate.

The Corps of Engineers activity in reconstruction of eroded river banks and sediment deposit removal on the Wild Rice River at a cost of \$450,000 with 20% being local cost or \$90,000 has been completed.

The FEMA claims total \$956,424 of which an excess of \$350,000 is under appeal claims.

#### Buffalo River Watershed District

Buffalo River Detention Site 1 - The Board is working on easement options. DNR mitigation issues appear settled. The preliminary Engineer's Report should be finished by spring. Stinking Lake Detention - Contractor has requested an extension of time to complete the project next spring. Deerhorn Creek Detention - Development tabled pending completion of downstream channel analysis, which is expected to be completed by the first of the year.

#### Roseau River Watershed District

Are working with the Corps of Engineers on the Duby levy. They are working on changing the flood occurrence on Hay Creek from a 100-year flood to a 20-year flood.

#### Joe River Watershed District

Have three ring dikes completed and a fourth is being worked on. They have a need for seven more.

## Red Lake River Watershed District

Will have a Step I application at the next meeting.

#### Middle River Snake-River Watershed District

Will have a Step I submittal for Watershed Project #2 - March Impoundment, which is located six miles west of Warren.

# Two Rivers Watershed District

Have received the Appraisers Report on the Polenia Project.

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# Bois de Sioux Watershed District

Have had their first violation on a permit.

On motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Ward for Dan Thul to put the Annual Report together and for Don Ogaard to design a cover and find a printer, duly carried.

The revision of the Project Evaluation Manual was discussed, but no formal action was taken.

After discussion, it was agreed that another conference like last year's, "Back to the Basics", should be held. The Chairman appointed himself, Dan Wilkens and Richard Bowen to initiate another conference at Thief River Falls.

On motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Osowski to authorize the First State Bank of Fertile as depository of LRRWMB funds and to authorize the signatures of the President, Treasurer and Secretary, with two of the signatures required to sign checks, duly carried.

Upon motion by Manager Bowen, seconded by Manager Osowski to authorize the transfer of funds to a depository selected by the Treasurer and approved by the Chairman, duly carried.

On motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Nelson, to participate with the SWCD at the Winter Shows at Crookston and to give away five potted trees, at least 24" tall, duly carried.

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

Mac's Cafe - noon lunch	\$ 100.00
Paul Brekken	59.20
Harley Younggren	116.50
Richard Bowen	98.00
Roger Ward	676.00
Curtis Nelson	190.80
Dan Wilkens	559.21

The next meeting will be held at the Wild Rice Watershed District office, January 15, 1991, at 9:30 a.m., Ada, Minnesota.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Harley Younggren, Secretary