

RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 25, 1994
RICE WATERSHED DISTRICT OFFICE, ADA, MINNESOTA

The R.R.W.M.B. met on Tuesday, October 25, 1994 at 9:30 a.m. at the Wild Rice Watershed District Office, Ada, Minnesota.

Chairman Ron Osowski called the meeting to order.

Members present were.:

Ron Osowski	Dan Wilkens
Sanford Moen	Curtis Nelson
Gerhard Ross	Harley Younggren
Farrell Erickson	Ralph Christenson

Others present were:

Don Ogaard, Executive Director
Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Mark Deutchman, H.D.R. - Engineering
Steve Mikkelson, T.I.C.
Julie Goehring, T.I.C.
Jon Roeschlien, Administrator, Bois de Sioux W. D.
Robert Wright, Wild Rice W. D.
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River W. D.
Omar Rood, J.O.R. Engineering
Jerry Bennett, Administrator, Wild Rice W. D.
Rick St. Germain, Houston Engineering
Jeff LeDoux, Houston Engineering
Kelman Kvien, Roseau River W. D.
Gary Nelson, Corp. of Engineers, St. Paul
Brian Dwight, B.W.S.R.

Minutes of the September 20, 1994 meeting were read and approved with minor corrections. Motion by Manager Moen, seconded by Manager Wilkens, carried.

The Treasurer's report was approved as read. Motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Ross, carried.

On motion by Manager Erickson, seconded by Manager Nelson to review and pay bills, carried.

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Billings paid:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
First State Bank of Fertile	Soc. Sec. and Med. Deposit	160. 65
Bob's Cafe	Noon Meal	130. 00
Farrell Erickson	Meetings and Mileage	121. 58
Harley Younggren	Meetings and Mileage and Misc.	170. 23
Ron Osowski	Meetings and Mileage	98. 38
Gerhard Ross	Meetings and Mileage	68. 22
Daniel Wilkens	Meetings and Mileage and Misc.	555. 76
Sanford Moen	Meetings and Mileage	60. 10
Curtis Nelson	Meetings and Mileage	75. 18
Ralph Christensen	Meetings and Mileage E.D.	115. 78
Donald Ogaard	Services and Misc. E.A.	2,111. 90
Lindquist and Vennum	Invoice #111666-0327 E.A.	3,161. 67
Loyd-Gilbert Associates	Invoice #02048 E.A.	1,252. 50
H D.R Engineering	Invoice #164-08534	76,336. 22
JOR Engineering Inc.	Wetland Restoration Comm.	1,452. 16
Middle River-Snake River W.D.	Wetland Restoration Comm.	421. 49
Wild Rice W.D.	Secretarial Services	138. 40
Garden Valley Telephone	Phone bill	111. 11
U.S. Link	Long Distance	7. 87
Dept. of Interior, USGS	Stream Gaging Contract	20,460. 00
Red lake W.D.	Pay Request #6 Good Lake Proj.	83,196. 65
Roseau River W.D.	Duxby Levee	16,082. 42
Roseau River W.D.	Norland Project	32,797. 62

District Reports - Watershed reports were given to the Board. Following are some of the highlights directly related to the board's involvement.

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Wild Rice Watershed District -

The Corps of Engineers have requested information to prepare Public Notice on the Marsh Creek Detention project.

Authorized acquiring options to purchase 130 acres for Wetland Banking.

An informal meeting will be held to address potential solutions to flooding problems along a portion of Moccasin Creek for landowners and permitting agencies.

A funding request for the Marsh River Diversion Restoration Study b> the Wild Rice Watershed District was presented.

Proposed funding:			
U.S.	. of Engineers	50%	\$163,000.00
Wild	W.D.	30%	97,800.00
R.R.W.M.		20%	<u>65,200.00</u>
	TOTAL		\$326,000.00

On motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Ross to authorize R.R.W.M.B. funding at 20% or \$65,200.00 duly carried.

Red Lake Watershed District -

Presenting payments for the Good Lake Project No. 67 and Clearwater Nonpoint project.

The RRWMB Policy Manual has been completed and 100 copies were printed.

In the process of waiting for a decision on the Maple Lake project brief in Minnesota Court of Appeals.

The last phase of Good Lake is going very well and hope to report the budget for funding at the December or January meeting.

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Pay request #6 on the Good Lake Floodwater Detention Structure was presented by the Red Lake Watershed District. On motion by Manager Ross, seconded by Manager Erickson to pay the request #6 on the Good Lake Project of \$83,196.65 to the Red Lake Watershed District, duly carried.

Bois de Sioux Watershed District -

At the September Board meeting the Rules and Regulations were revised which redefined the procedure in which permits are processed.

Sand Hill Watershed District -

Mapping ditch systems.

Roseau River Watershed District -

The canola has been swathed on the Norland Project, harvest is doubtful given the September excessive rain.

The Roseau River Watershed District presented cost sharing request on the Norland Project. Their total cost to date is \$488,696.43. They are requesting a 2/3 cost share with the RRWMB or \$325,797.62. On motion by Manager Erickson, seconded by Manager Wilkens to participate with the Roseau River Watershed District on the Norland Project in the amount of \$325,797.62 duly carried.

The Roseau River Watershed District presented a cost sharing request on the Duxby Levee Project. They are requesting 20% of the local cost balance of \$80,412.13 or \$16,082.42. Upon motion by Manager Erickson, seconded by Manager Nelson for the RRWMB to pay the 20% or \$16,082.42 on the Duxby Levee Project, duly carried.

Buffalo - Red River Watershed District -

A resolution for the Deerhorn Creek Basin Flood Control Project was adopted and the District ordered the preparation of an engineer's report.

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Two Rivers Watershed District -

Nereson on hold, MNDNR has not received permit extension from the Corps of Engineers.

At a meeting held on September 27, 1994 MNDNR and North Dakota Water Commission pledged to develop a draft diking plan (with equal protection) for the lands along the Red River and present same at a meeting on December 14, 1994.

Middle River - Snake River Watershed District -

Awaiting response from the ASC regarding effect Angus Oslo Site #4 will have on CRP lands.

The District has been informed that the low head dams proposed in the City of Warren are no longer being held in abeyance by the Corps of Engineers. In addition to these the proposed Angus Oslo #4, Snake River Site #2 and the march Impoundments are no longer in abeyance.

Gary Nelson from the Corps of Engineers gave the Board an E.I.S. update. He said the E.I.S. preliminary report should be available for internal review by January 15, 1995.

Mark Deutchman gave a H.D.R. Engineering report. On motion by manager Ross, seconded by Manager Moen to authorize \$50,000.00 for HDR funding through December, duly carried.

Dan Thul reported that the U.S. Geological Survey have discontinued the Roseau River gages at Ross and at the Old Lake Bed. He is working with them to re-instate these gages with cost share money from the International Joint Commission. Dan also reported that the Environmental Quality Board is reviewing their rules. They are proposing to change the mandatory category for requiring an Environmental Assessment Worksheet for a Class II Hazard Dam to any dam with an upstream drainage area of 50 square miles or more.

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After discussion, a motion by Manager Erickson, seconded by Manager Wilkens to authorize expenditures for a RRWMB monthly newsletter, duly carried.

After discussion, a motion by Manager Ross, seconded by Manager Christensen to participate in "National Policy" by contributing \$5,000.00 and naming Don Ogaard as our delegate, duly carried.

Ron Adrian, Omar Rood and Rick St. Germain of the Wetlands Restoration Committee reported that they will have a draft ready in November.

The next meeting will be held on November 15, 1994 at 9:30 a.m. at the Sand Hill Watershed District Office, Fertile, Minnesota.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Harley Younggren