

RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
August 8, 1995
Wild Rice Watershed Office, Ada, Minnesota

The RRWMB met on Tuesday, August 8, 1995, 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	Gerhard Ross
Sanford Moen	Curtis Nelson
Farrell Erickson	Ralph Christenson
Dan Wilkens	Harley Younggren

Others present were:

Don Ogaard, Executive Director
Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Rick St. Germain, Engineer, Houston Engineering
Omar Rood, JOR Engineering
Charles Anderson, Engineer, JOR Engineering
Jon Roeschlein, Administrator, Bois de Sioux WD
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River WD
Bob Wright, Wild Rice WD
Julie Goehring, TIC
Steve Mikkelson, TIC

Minutes of the June 20, 1995, meeting were read and approved with minor corrections. MOTION by Manager Erickson; SECONDED by Manager Wilkens; CARRIED.

The Treasurer's report was approved as read. MOTION by Manager Nelson; SECONDED by Manager Moen; CARRIED.

A MOTION by Manager Moen to review and pay bills; SECONDED by Manager Erickson; CARRIED.

Bills paid:

<i>Name:</i>	<i>Item:</i>	<i>Amount:</i>
Norman Cafe	Noon meal	\$ 107.01
Farrell Erickson	Meetings & Mileage	129.39
Harley Younggren	Meetings, Mileage & Misc.	151.16

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Ron Osowski	Meetings & Mileage	218.38
Gerhard Ross	Meetings & Mileage	72.39
Daniel Wilkens	Meetings & Mileage	826.01
Sanford Moen	Meetings & Mileage	148.75
Curtis Nelson	Meetings & Mileage	80.97
Ralph Christenson	Meetings & Mileage	128.79
Donald Ogaard	E.D. Services & Misc.	4,477.22
HDR Engineering	E.A. Invoice #164-09708	7,729.54
Dorsey & Whitney	E.A. Invoice #438990-443998	14,225.03
Loyd-Gilbert Associates	E.A. Invoice #02070	918.07
JOR Engineering	Wetland Restoration Committee	666.20
Warroad Pioneer	Printing Annual Reports	479.95
US Link	Phone Service	164.23
Garden Valley Telephone Co	Phone Bill	10.85
State Of Minnesota	Dan Thul Contract	11,000.00

MOTION by Manager Nelson to pay cost share payment of \$11,000 due at this time for Dan Thul's salary; **SECONDED** by Manager Christensen; **CARRIED**.

DISTRICT REPORT

WILD RICE WD

In regards to the Marsh Creek Detention, Site No. 6 Project, District Administrator, Jerry Bennett, and Jeff LeDoux, District Engineer, attended a meeting with the Corps of Engineers on July 29, 1995, in St. Paul. The meeting was very productive with progress

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made in addressing the level of detail required for information required to continue processing the permit for this Project. While Corps representatives spoke cautiously, there was an indication that the Project could be released early from the EIS process.

The Managers approved a request filed by the City of Ada and affected landowners for an investigation into levee setbacks and improvements along a three-mile reach of the Wild Rice River located Southeast of Ada, Minnesota. The study is intended to develop a long-range plan for improvements that will reduce flood damages and the high cost associated with maintenance. Landowners offered use of land at no cost.

Middle River-Snake River WD

There has been no change in the status of the Angus Oslo Site #4. The Engineers Report is being prepared which should be completed in about one month.

There has been no change in the status of the March Impoundment. The Engineers Report is being prepared which should be completed in one to two months.

Two Rivers WD

Attended Klondike II hearing in St. Paul. Nereson received more rain-so wet again.

Sand Hill WD

Finished riprap at golf course in Fertile. Negotiating corrective measures in Climax on overflow section. Project #12 approved.

Roseau River WD

Discussing diversion channel Northwest of the City of Roseau that would take the City out of the 100 year flood plain.

Red Lake WD

The Board approved final Plans and Specifications for the Good Lake walkway structures, riprap, seeding, etc., and have set the bid opening for August 24, 1995.

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Buffalo-Red River WD

The petition for the diversion around Dilworth has finally been received. Design is continuing.

Bois de Sioux WD

United States Senator Larry Pressler of South Dakota recently introduced legislation that would require the US Army Corps of Engineers (COE) to lower the maximum pool elevation on Lake Traverse from 981 feet above sea level to 977 feet. The four-foot drop could potentially reduce the lake's flood control capability by about 88,000 acre-feet of water.

Dan Thul Report

Dan reported he continues to work on the final draft of the technical report, has participated in "peer" group meetings in Bemidji and Moorhead, and is participating in a committee to determine Tier 2 data needs for future projects. Dan reported that the Red Lake WD informed him that the COE plans to drop the gage at Crookston from the operating plan for the dam at Red Lake.

Executive Director Report-Don Ogaard

A **MOTION** by Manager Wilkens to authorize the Executive Director to write a letter from the RRW MB, to the new Colonel of the COE, to coordinate the release of gated storage of dams; **SECONDED** by Manager Erickson; **CARRIED**.

Read letter from Dorsey & Whitney on Klondike II Appeal.

A **MOTION** by Manager Wilkens to increase HDR budget costs by \$50,000; **Seconded** by Manager Moen; **CARRIED** by majority.

TIC Report

Steve Mikkelson reported that TIC passed a Resolution and sent copies to legislators in South Dakota and Minnesota on flood control issues on Lake Traverse.

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Wetland Restoration Committee

A **MOTION** by Manager Wilkens to adopt the BWSR Manual with our input; **Seconded** by Manager Nelson; **CARRIED**. Also directed the committee to continue analyzing responses and bring back recommendations to Board.

The tax levy for 1996 was discussed. A **MOTION** by Manager Christenson to set the 1996 levy at 75% of the allowable maximum set by law; **SECONDED** by Manager Erickson; **CARRIED**.

A **MOTION** by Manager Wilkens to adopt the Treasurer's Manual as presented; **SECONDED** by Manager Ross; duly **CARRIED**.

Chairman Osowski gave an update on the Northern Red River mainstem. Will continue discussion at future meetings.

A **MOTION** by Manager Ross to authorize the Executive Director to attend meetings of the Statewide Wetland Conservation Plan; **SECONDED** by Manager Christenson; **CARRIED**.

The next meeting will be held on September 19, 1995, at 9:30 a.m. at the Sand Hill WD office Fertile, Minnesota.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Harley Younggren