

Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District

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Minutes

November 15, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jake Hiebert, Chair SD-7 and Chair of Board
Ed Penner, Vice-Chair of Board
Ken Prociw, Chair SD-8
Les Schewe, Provincial Appointee

Orest Kuryk, Vice-Chair SD-2
Ron Mamchuk, Chair SD-6
Stan Toews, Vice-Chair SD-7
Bruno Hébert, Vice-Chair SD-3&4

REGRETS:

Brian Grier, Chair SD-3&4
Rhonda Dyck, Provincial Watershed Planner
Dorthea Grégoire, ReGen Ag Coordinator

Harold Janzen, Chair SD-5
Natashia Lapeire, Chair SD-9
Chris Randall, Project Supervisor

GUESTS:

STAFF:

Joey Pankiw, Assistant Manager
Dani Gosselin, Watershed Tech

Béatrice Mukahirwa, Bookkeeper
Jackie Funk, Office Administrator

I. CALL TO ORDER at 9:03 am

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

200-2022: Ed Penner – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes for October 18, 2022
- b. Electronic Meeting Minutes for November 1, 2022

201-2022: Ron Mamchuk – Les Schewe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2022 and the Electronic Meeting Minutes for November 1, 2022 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

IV. CHAIR REPORT

- Chair presents report as information

V. MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF WATERSHEDS REPORT, Jake Hiebert

- Chair presents report as information
- SRRWD needs 3 board members to stay after the meeting on Wednesday to vote

VI. SUB-DISTRICT & PAC/LGC REPORTS

SD 2

Nothing to report

SD 3 & 4

Nothing to report

SD 5

Nothing to report

SD 6

Discussed the Hylife Bonanza fencing project that needs to be completed this fall – Joey to follow up with Matt Reimer from Hylife

SD 7

Discussion on Province cleaning out Youville Drain

202-2022: Stan Toews – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves that SRRWD send a recommendation to RM of Hanover supporting the cleaning of the Youville Drain along with the completion of cleaning the Manning Canal within the RM of Hanover by Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure (MIT) and keep SRRWD updated on any progress with MIT.

CARRIED

SD 8

Nothing to report

SD 9

Nothing to report

ALUS/PAC

203-2022: Ed Penner – Orest Kuryk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the following PWCP Cover Crop projects: Delmar Thiessen (\$1,400) 40 acres (NE 14-1-5E) cover crop project (PWCP); Arnold Thiessen (\$4,550) 130 acres (SE 23-2-5E) cover crop project (PWCP); Ag Air Farm (\$10,675) 305 acres (E7-3-3E) cover crop project (PWCP); Lepplemann (\$14,625.47) 355 acres (SW/SE/NE 24-6-6E) cover crop project (PWCP) Morning View Farm (\$2,135) 61 acres (SE 8-6-8E) cover crop project (PWCP); and Terra Trigo Inc (\$8,593.50) 280 acres (N 32-2-3E).

CARRIED

204-2022: Ed Penner – Bruno Hébert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the project for Morning View and recommend the enrolment of 61 acres in the Growing Roots 2023-2025 program (\$3,050 / year).

CARRIED

205-2022: Ed Penner – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the project for Dick Reimer (\$1,500) 30 acres (SW 8-2-5E) LLEP cover crop project 2022 and enroll those acres in ALUS Growing Roots for 2022-2024 as fund are available.

CARRIED

206-2022: Ed Penner – Bruno Hébert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the project for Dick Reimer to recommend the enrolment of an additional 35 acres in ALUS 2023-2025 as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

207-2022: Ed Penner- Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves Jeff Reimer (\$1,005.10) 28 acres (NW 34-1-4E) pasture improvement project (LLEP).

CARRIED

208-2022: Ed Penner – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the pasture improvement projects (PWCP) for Donald, Keith, Colt Winnicky (\$466.65 each) 40 acres (SW 291-12E).

CARRIED

209-2022: Ed Penner – Orest Kuryk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the rotational grazing project for Sun Country Ranch through PWCP (\$1,125.00) (NE 15-4-7E).

CARRIED

210-2022: Ed Penner – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the nitrogen management project for Keith Winnicky (\$6,000) (equipment upgrade through PWCP).

CARRIED

211-2022: Ed Penner – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the nitrogen management project for Ben Jowett (\$7,650) (equipment upgrade through PWCP).

CARRIED

212-2022: Ed Penner – Les Schewe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the following PWCP nitrogen management project (nitrogen/urease inhibitor) Artel Farms (\$10,000) Blue Clay Farms (\$10,000) R&R Farms (\$10,000) Frosty Pine Farms (\$4808.45).

CARRIED

213-2022: Ed Penner – Orest Kuryk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves an additional 2.6 acres for Meagan Lomax ALUS Riparian Fencing Project (NW 32-2-5E) for a total of 8.6 acres.

CARRIED

214-2022: Les Schewe – Stan Toews

BE IT RECOMMENDED TO THE BOARD THAT they give the staff the authority to have leeway of 15% for projects for payments or expenses that go over the approved amount (more acres or more expenses) to a maximum of \$5,000; additional expenses must be forwarded to the board after completion of the project.

CARRIED

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

The Manager presents their report to the Board

215-2022: Les Schewe – Bruno Hébert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the ALUS lunch meeting with producers and Paige Englot and Nicole Baldwin from ALUS Canada at Smitty's on November 29th, 2022 with costs up to \$2,000.

CARRIED

CONSENSUS – The Board is in agreement that staff can proceed with planning for a Living Labs event to be held in February 2023 with speaker to be determined

216-2022: Ken Prociw – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the purchase of a new laptop for the boardroom with cost up to \$1,200.

CARRIED

217-2022: Ken Prociw – Ron Mamchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves a clothing allowance for safety/hi visibility clothing or promotional clothing for up to \$500 for new employees and \$250 for other staff at the discretion of the Interim Manager

CARRIED

Consensus – The Board is in agreement that Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District should begin advertising for summer students in early 2023 due to the labour shortage.

CARRIED

218-2022: Ken Prociw – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD moves forward with the El' Dad Ranch well head remediation, waiving the cost-share requirement for El' Dad Ranch and cover 100% of the remediation for up to \$1,500; whereas, El' Dad Ranch is a small-scale charitable organization with limited funding available for sustainable drinking water.

CARRIED

VIII. FINANCE REPORT

- a. Expenses for approval
- b. Provincial Final Budget

219-2022: Ed Penner – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves setting up a pre authorized payment for Sage accounting system to make the annual payment (for 2023 the payment will be \$1920,80).

CARRIED

220-2022: Ed Penner – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the monthly financial expenses as presented by the Finance Committee for a total of \$76,351.51; whereas, cheques 9354 to 9377 are approved for \$47,762.45; payroll for \$13,700.76; direct deposits for \$11,756.14; and pre-authorized withdrawals for \$3,132.16

CARRIED

221-2022: Ed Penner – Ron Mamchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the interim provincial budget as presented to be forwarded to the Province.

CARRIED

IX. MANITOBA WATERSHED PLANNER REPORT

Les Schewe presents the report for review

X. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report

XI. OLD BUSINESS

- a. SRRWD AGM – November 28th – Friedensfeld Hall
- b. Red River Basin Gala – November 17th – Morris
- c. Horseshoe Lake – Manager did a recap following the tour in October with the Board

XII. Personnel Committee

222-2022: Ken Prociw – Orest Kuryk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD go into camera at 10:45 a.m.

CARRIED

223-2022: Bruno Hébert – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD come out of camera at 10:55 a.m.

CARRIED

224-2022: Ed Penner – Les Schewe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the closing of the office between Christmas and New Year's (December 24th to January 2nd) with the days of December 28th, 29th and 30th being paid as regular work days for all staff.

CARRIED

XIII. NEXT BOARD MEETING

- a. December 20, 2022

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

225-2022: Ron Mamchuk – Bruno Hébert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BOARD adjourn at 11:01 a.m.

CARRIED

Jake Hiebert, CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Joey Pankiw, MANAGER