

Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District

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Minutes

June 20, 2023

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jake Hiebert, Chair SD-7 and Chair of Board
Brian Grier, Chair SD 3&4
Ed Penner, Chair SD-6 & Vice-Chair of Board
Ken Prociw, Chair SD-8

Neil Claringbould, Chair SD-2
Harold Janzen, Chair SD-5
Stan Toews, Vice-Chair SD-7
Natashia Lapeire, Chair SD-9

REGRETS:

GUESTS:

Daniel Phalen, Provincial Watershed Planner
Les Schewe
Rick Kaler, Kaler Chartered Professional Accountants

STAFF:

Joey Pankiw, Assistant Manager
Dani Gosselin, Watershed Tech
Virginia Janzen, ReGen Ag Coordinator

Béatrice Mukahirwa, Bookkeeper
Chris Randall, Project Supervisor
Colleen Cuvelier, ALUS/GROW Coordinator

I. CALL TO ORDER at 9:00 am

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

114-2023: Brian Grier – Natashia Lapeire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be approved with amended date of June 20, 2023 and before Item # 6 will add in Rick Kaler, auditor, will join meeting, as circulated.

CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes for May 15, 2023
- b. Electronic Meeting Minutes for May 24, 2023
- c. Amend Resolution No. 43-2023 from March 21, 2023 Minutes

115-2023: Ken Prociw – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2023 and the Electronic Minutes of May 24, 2023 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

116-2023: Ken Prociw – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD amend Resolution No. 43-2023 from March 21, 2023 to correct the approved engineering quote to be from KGS Engineering to the correct company - Strategic Systems Engineering - for \$24,000 for work on the two Maple Leaf Foods projects that require engineering.

CARRIED

IV. CHAIR REPORT

Nothing to report

V. MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF WATERSHEDS REPORT, Jake Hiebert

PWCP cheques are being sent out regularly

Information for Living Labs will be coming out soon

VI. SUB-DISTRICT & PAC/LGC REPORTS

SD 2

117-2023: Neil Claringbould – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the Perennial Grass ALUS project for Isabelle Parvais located at NE 20-1-4E located in SD 2 on 2 acres for total project cost (including establishment and 10 years of annual payments) of \$2,000 as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

SD 3 & 4

Nothing to report at this time

SD 5

Nothing to report at this time

SD 6

Working on getting licensing for Darrin Warkentin's water retention project

SD 7

118-2023: Stan Toews – Neil Claringbould

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the Livestock Management Project for Marvin Penner located at SE 16-5-7E for dugout fencing for total cost of \$776.25 as funding becomes available.

Seed was purchased for Clarence Funk / Herbsigwill grassed area and Herbsigwill Farms have seeded it

SD 8

Staff have been meeting in Woodridge to consult with R.M. of Piney regarding a development

SD 9

Sub District meeting planned for Monday, June 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the RM of Taché office

ALUS/PAC

119-2023: Ed Penner – Neil Claringbould

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the following PWCP Cover Crop projects as funding becomes available: Skyline Dairy Ltd located in SD 3&4 for 20 acres (have a previous project for 100 acres already approved and wanted to add an additional 20 acres) for total cost of \$700; Terra Trigo located in SD 2 for 230 acres for total cost of \$8,050; Emily Plett located in SD 9 for 223 acres for total cost of \$7,805; Stephen Chubaty located in SD 3&4 for 20 acres for total cost of \$700; George (Glen) Kehler located in SD 2 for 70 acres for total cost of \$2,450; Abram (Brian) Dyck located in SD 2 for 40 acres for total cost of \$1,400; and Arnold Thiessen located in SD 2 for 150 acres for total cost of \$5,250.

CARRIED

120-2023: Ed Penner – Natasha Lapeire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the Growing Roots project for Terra Trigo Inc. (Brett Ostberg) located in SD 2 on 100 acres plus an additional project of 100 acres for 50/50 cost share up to \$50/acre per year for 3 years to a maximum of \$15,000 annually for total cost of \$15,000 per each project (\$30,000 in total for both projects as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

121-2023: Ed Penner – Brian Grier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the Growing Roots project for Emily Plett located in SD 8 and SD 9 on 100 acres for 50/50 cost share up to \$50/acre per year for 3 years to a maximum of \$15,000 annually as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

122-2023: Ed Penner – Ken Prociw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the following Nitrogen Management PWCP project for Marsh River Farms Ltd. located in SD 5 for the use of Dual Inhibitors on 1321 acres with total cost of \$7,930 as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

Harold Janzen Abstained

123-2023: Ed Penner – Harold Janzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the Nitrogen Management PWCP project for Paul Warkentine located in SD 8 for Equipment Upgrade – dry fertilizer boot kit for the corn planter with total cost of \$9,457.20 as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

124-2023: Ed Penner – Brian Grier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the PWCP Pasture Improvement projects for the following producers as funding becomes available: Norman Bednar located in SD 2 has 51 acres with total cost of \$1,785; Andrew Neil Bednar located in SD 2 has 241 acres for total cost of \$8,435.

CARRIED

125-2023: Ed Penner – Harold Janzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve PWCP Pasture Improvement project for Neil Claringbould located in SD 2 has 35 acres with total cost of \$1,225 as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

Neil Claringbould Abstained

126-2023: Ed Penner – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the following PWCP Rotational Grazing project for Brendan Freund for 77 acres located at NW 6-6-7E in SD 7 for total cost of \$17,200 as funding becomes available.

CARRIED

127-2023: Ed Penner – Harold Janzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the Shelterbelt project for Jeremie Lussier located in SD 5 at SW 20-5-3E on 0.73 acre with 2 rows of trees, cost of \$350 for trees, \$730 for 5 years of annual payments at \$200 per acre for total project cost of \$1,080.

CARRIED

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

128-2023: Natasha Lapeire – Brian Grier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves hiring Merv's Pitchfork Fondue to provide the food at the SRRWD Tour on July 6th and July 10th at The Parc Carillon in St. Pierre-Jolys at a cost of \$15.00 per person.

CARRIED

129-2023: Ed Penner – Stan Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the well sealing application from Alvin Toews from Ste. Anne located in SD 8 with the project to be completed by Friesen Drillers with total cost to SRRWD in the amount of \$1000 plus taxes for total cost of \$1,050.00 and the well sealing application from Les Dueck from Ste. Anne located in SD 8 with the project to be completed by Friesen Drillers with total cost to SRRWD in the amount of \$1000 plus taxes for total cost of \$1,050.00

CARRIED

130-2023: Ken Prociw – Brian Grier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the Rain Garden application for Kelby Friesen in Mitchell for lower area from rain and sump pump for total cost of \$500

CARRIED

Rick Kaler from Kaler Chartered Professional Accountants joined the meeting to review the 2022-2023 Audit at 10:00 a.m.

131-2023: Ed Penner – Brian Grier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD accepts the 2022-2023 Draft Audit as presented by Rick Kaler, Kaler Chartered Professional Accountants.

CARRIED

VIII. FINANCE REPORT

- a. Expenses for approval
- b. Provincial Report

132-2023: Ed Penner – Natasha Lapeire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the monthly financial expenses as presented by the Finance Committee for a total of \$79,304.56; whereas, cheques 9586 to 9612 are approved for \$36,246.49; payroll for \$33,010.64; direct deposits for \$7,191.99; and pre-authorized withdrawals for \$2,855.44.

CARRIED

133-2023: Ed Penner – Harold Janzen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the motion to proceed with signing a 5-year mortgage at a rate of 5.45% for the remaining mortgage for the office building with Steinbach Credit Union.

CARRIED

IX. MANITOBA WATERSHED PLANNER REPORT

Reviewed the June monthly report

X. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Money Spent on Beaver Dam Issues
 - discussion surrounding who is responsible for beaver issues at our water retention sites

- b. MAW Tour – Inter Mountain Watershed – August 9th & 10th in Dauphin

134-2023: Ed Penner – Natasha Lapeire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve sending any interested staff to MAW Tour on August 9 & 10th hosted by Inter Mountain Watershed District to be held at Dauphin.

CARRIED

XI. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Provincial Appointee Candidate
 - on hold until the next meeting

b. Horseshoe Lake

held a successful meeting with committee – gathering information and will meet with partnering municipalities

135-2023: Harold Janzen – Brian Grier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves requesting engineering support from Province of Manitoba Water Science and Watershed Management Branch for a feasibility study on Sundown Ridge Water Retention.

CARRIED

c. Memo from lawyer for Maple Leaf Water Retention / Legal Agreement

Consensus: SRRWD Board is in agreement that the letter received from Grant Driedger from Smith Neufeld Jodoin law office can be forwarded to Maple Leaf regarding the legal agreement concerns.

d. Buffalo Point / Roseau River Representative

discussion on how to proceed with having their representation – will continue to review

XII. POLICY COMMITTEE

still waiting to finalize the document for the board to review

XIII. RENOVATIONS COMMITTEE

Preliminary floor plans were brought forward for discussion and further discussion will happen with staff

XIV. NEXT BOARD MEETING

August 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

136-2023: Ken Prociw – Natasha Lapeire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BOARD adjourn at 11:50 a.m.

CARRIED

Jake Hiebert, SRRWD CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Joey Pankiw, MANAGER