
Present:

Board members:

Ray Frey, Board Chair	#81A, Upper Central Little Saskatchewan River, Chair
Dennis Pedersen, Vice-Chair	#82B, Lower Little Saskatchewan River, Chair
Kaye Wolstenholme	#72A, Upper Oak River, Chair
Dave Falkevitch	#72B, Lower Oak River, Chair, until 4 p.m.
John Spaller	#82A, Upper Little Saskatchewan River, Chair
Don Huisman	#81A, Upper Central Little Saskatchewan River, Vice-Chair
Larry Cardy	#81B, Lower Central Little Saskatchewan River, Chair
Cindy Murray	Provincial Appointee

Colleen Cuvelier, District Manager
Anne Davidson, Financial Administrator

Absent: Curt Westwood, Technician

Chair Ray Frey called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#20/17: C. Murray – D. Falkevitch

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#21/17: L. Cardy – K. Wolstenholme

That the minutes of the regular Board meeting held February 1st, 2017 be adopted as amended.

“Under the MCDA report, the addition of “Minister Jim Carr” after Natural Resources”.

Carried.

COMMITTEES – Personnel – adoption of 2017 wages.

#22/17: D. Huisman – J. Spaller

As per Motion #05/15, the District Manager and the Administrator wages for 2017 will increase 1.5% and as per motion #58/15, the Technician’s wage for 2017 will increase \$1.00/hour.

Carried.

ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. **Photocopier lease** – Three quotes that were received. A decision was tabled until the April board meeting.
2. **Invoice Payments** – Administrator was advised the board prefer to move vendor payments primarily to electronic form by e-transfer and was instructed to look into this for the April meeting. Invoices are not to be paid until approved by the board.

FINANCIAL

1. **Financial Statement** for February 2017 was presented and reviewed by the Board.

#23/17: D. Pedersen – C. Murray

That the Financial Statement for February 2017 be accepted as presented. That the Board authorizes the expenditures recorded from February 14th to March 3rd, 2017 inclusive, in the amount of \$20,975.39 to

FINANCIAL (cont'd):

be paid. That the Bank Reconciliation for December/January and February 2017 be adopted as reviewed by the Chair.

Carried.

2. **2016/2017 year-end projections** – The Administrator reported a small surplus may be realized at year-end.
3. **Watershed Planning and Programs, Kristin Hayward, Manager** – An interim revised 2017/2018 Budget should be prepared and submitted by March 31st, 2017. A Provincial Cost-Shared Reserve account may be set up for CDs who have a potential project in the future. The Board discussed these items and Chair will forward concerns to MCDA.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Summer Student** – 13 applications have been received. The Personnel Committee will review applications and those considered for interviews will be contacted.

#24/17: D. Huisman – K. Wolstenholme

That the Board authorizes the Personnel committee to hire one student for the LSRCD at a wage between \$13.50 to \$14.50 an hour plus 4% holiday pay.

Carried.

2. **Promotional Items** – Promotional items on hand has depleted with several recent workshops. The board discussed purchasing promotional items for upcoming workshops and meetings.

#25/17: D. Huisman - C. Murray

That the Board authorizes the purchase of promotional items to a maximum of \$2,000.00.

Carried.

3. **Manitoba Sustainable Development** – management planning process for provincial parks and change of classification of Rivers Provincial Park in our District. After reviewing the management planning document, comments will be forwarded advising the inclusion of Aquatic Invasive Species.
4. **Technician Leave** – Bereavement and holiday days were discussed regarding the Technician.

PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

1. **Lawford Dam repair** – The board discussed the situation with the Lawford dam and Chair and District Manager will be in contact with the landowner.
2. **EcoVan** – will be at seven schools in the District.

REPORTS - CHAIR – ALUS presentation at UARCD, two municipal visits to be completed, attended Delta banquet at Minnedosa.

D. Falkevitch left the meeting.

MANAGER – reviewed and filed with the minutes.

ADMINISTRATOR – reviewed and filed with the minutes.

TECHNICIAN – completed February board minutes, reviewed tree order numbers, holidays and bereavement leave.

MCDA – meeting held February 7th - a review of the CD commission role, Bill 5 – still on the table, new Watershed Planner-Rhonda Dyck, one logo for all CDs-need to decide on 2 or 3 leaf design, elections – Chair-A. Coutts, Vice-Chair-R. Frey, Finance Chair-W. Kolisnyk, Expanded Executive – M. Shenderevich, G. More, M. Ross, Conference Committee-R. Frey, H. Dalgleish, A. Coutts, Futures

REPORTS – MCDA (cont'd):

Committee-A. Coutts, R. Frey, Human Resources Committee-R. Frey, G. More, W. Kolisnyk, Policy/Board Governance Committee-H. Dalgleish, M. Ross, G. More, an informal discussion regarding ALUS.

REPORTS (cont'd):

PROVINCIAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM – no report.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Community & Regional Planning – copy of report to Council on Subdivision on SE 8-19-21W (7157887 Manitoba Ltd.). *Noted.*
2. Ducks Unlimited Canada – Notice of Intent to File Caveat on SE 13-11-20W (Sacred Acres Inc.). *Noted.*
3. Watershed Planning & Programs, Kristin Hayward, Manager – Provincial Cost-Shared Reserve Accounts, Interim CD Budgets, Annual Reports. *Under Financial.*
4. Kenton Co-op – membership statement. *Noted.*
5. ARBI – Spring Flood forecast release. *Noted.*
6. MHHC – 2015/2016 Annual Report. *Noted.*
7. GPR Project Management & Consulting – consulting service regarding drainage. *Noted.*
8. Winter Cereals MB Inc. & Western Winter Wheat Initiative - grower event, March 15th, Brandon. *Noted.*
9. MCDA – minutes of meeting held February 7th; SRRCD presents free Urban Storm Water Management workshop, March 16th; request for used equipment (*from Manitoba Agriculture*); invitation to attend UARCD annual banquet. *Noted.*
10. Manitoba Sustainable Development – management planning process for provincial parks, change of classification of Rivers Provincial Park. *Under New Business.*
11. Red River Basin Commission – 2017 Cattail Management Summit, May 30th – June 1st, Fargo, ND. *Noted.*
12. Assiniboine Hills Conservation District – minutes of meeting held February 14th. *Noted.*
13. Turtle Mountain Conservation District – minutes of meeting held December 21st. *Noted.*
14. West Interlake Watershed Conservation District – minutes of meeting held January 19th. *Noted.*
15. Whitemud Watershed Conservation District – minutes of meeting held February 16th. *Noted.*

ADJOURNMENT**#26/17: D. Pedersen**

That the meeting now be adjourned to meet again on **Thursday, March 16th, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.** for the annual program meeting or at the Call of the Chair.

Carried.

TIME: 4:45 p.m.

Ray Frey, Board Chair

Anne Davidson, Financial Administrator