

RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
Board of Manager's Minutes
September 8, 2011

Present were: Managers Lee Coe, Orville Knott, Albert Mandt, Kelly Nordlund, LeRoy Ose, Dale M. Nelson and Gene Tiedemann. Staff Present: Tammy Audette and Legal Counsel Delray Sparby.

The Board reviewed the agenda. A motion was made by Tiedemann, seconded by Nordlund, and passed by unanimous vote that the Board approve the agenda.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Mandt, to dispense reading of the August 25, 2011 Board meeting minutes and approve them as printed. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Financial Report and Investment Summary dated September 7, 2011. Motion by Tiedemann, seconded by Knott, and passed by unanimous vote that the Board approve the Financial Report and Investment Summary dated August 24, 2011.

The Board discussed the landowner informational meetings held at the District office on August 30, 2011 for the Improvement of Pennington County Ditch No 1/Thief River Falls Flood Damage Reduction Project, RLWD Project No 171/171A. Approximately 43 people were in attendance at the meetings. Viewers Roger Beiswenger and Rodney Langaas set up meetings with several landowners to discuss their benefitted areas. The Viewers will bring back recommendations to the Board at the hearing to be held on September 13, 2011.

The Board reviewed a Progress Report for the construction of RLWD Ditch 13, New Lateral to Pennington County Ditch 75, RLWD Project No. 170A.

The Board reviewed the 2011 Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts Resolution Process and Time Line.

The Board reviewed a letter from Mike Carroll and Jerome Deal on behalf of the Red River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Work Group to the Lessard Sam Outdoor Heritage Council supporting funding for the Grand Marais Creek Restoration Project, RLWD Project No. 60F.

The Board reviewed the permits for approval. Motion by Tiedemann, seconded by Knott, to approve the following permits with conditions stated on the permit: No. 11126, Northdale Oil, Inc, Crookston Township, Polk County; No. 11127, Leonard Huot, Wylie Township, Red Lake County; No. 11128, Leonard Huot, Red Lake Falls Township, Red Lake County; No. 11129, Dan Stroot, Euclid Township, Polk County; No. 11130 and 11131, John R Garry, Fanny Township, Polk County; No. 11134, Scott Baatz, Russia Township, Polk County; No. 11135, Roger Sjulson, Brandsvold Township, Polk County; No.11136, Randy Rose, East Valley Township, Marshall County; No. 11137, Richard Schmitz, Wylie Township, Red Lake County; No. 11138, Mike Tiedemann, Euclid Township, Polk County; No. 11139, Mike Tiedemann, Parnell Township, Polk County; No. 11140, Mike Tiedemann, Fanny Township, Polk County; No. 11141, Mike Tiedemann, Wylie Township, Red Lake County; No. 11142, Mike Tiedemann, Keystone Township, Polk County; No. 11143, Pennington County Highway Department, River Falls Township, Pennington County and No. 11145, Bob Fladeland, Rocksbury Township, Pennington County. Motion carried.

Administrators Report:

- Garden Valley Telephone has indicated that due to low use, they will no longer provide telephone calling cards as of October 1st. If any of the Board have a calling card they may either destroy them or turn them in to the staff.
- Dave Radi has decided to proceed with the construction of his ring dike HDR Engineering, Inc. is preparing all the information that is required.
- A Minnesota Association of Drainage Inspectors meeting will be held on September 12 in Willmar, MN.

Legal Counsel Sparby stated that he had spoken with Pennington County Attorney Allan Rogalla in regard to the use of engineering information for work completed on Pennington County Ditch 75.

Manager Knott stated that various people will also be submitting letters to the Lessard Sam Outdoor Heritage Council in support of the Grand Marais Creek Channel Restoration Project.

Engineer Nate Dalager, HDR Engineering, Inc. appeared before the Board to discuss the landowner meeting and upcoming hearing for the Improvement to Pennington County Ditch 1 and Thief River Falls Flood Damage Reduction Project, RLWD Project No. 171/171A.

Manager Tiedemann questioned if water on the Red River of the North had receded enough to complete the survey of the Grand Marais Creek Cut Channel.

Manager Nelson stated that he had spoken with Dacian Beinek in regards to a potential ditch petition for the channel downstream of the Brandt Impoundment. After discussion by the Board, the Board instructed Administrator Jesme to contact the petitioners as to the status of the petition and bond.

Manager Knott stated that the next RRWMB meeting will be held at the District office on September 20, 2011.

Motion by Knott, seconded by Coe, to adjourn to September 13, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the District office to meet prior to the 7:00 p.m. hearing for the Improvement to Pennington County Ditch No 1 and Thief River Falls Flood Damage Reduction Project, RLWD Project No. 171/171A. Motion carried.



Orville Knott, Secretary