

LOWER RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD

Crookston, Minnesota 56716

From the Office Of

Olaf C. Soine, Secretary
1718 RadiSSOn Road
Crookston, Minn. 56716

Don Ogaard, President
Arnold Larson, Vice President
Olaf Soine, Secretary
Daniel Wilkens, Manager
Clifford Trangsrud, Manager
Harley Younggren, Manager

Meeting

Lower Red River Watershed Management Board
January 17, 1978; Northwest Experiment Station, Crookston, MN

The regular quarterly meeting of the Lower Red River Watershed Management Board was held on January 17, 1978 at the Agricultural Research Center, University of Minnesota Crookston, MN.

President Ogaard called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. Members present were:

Don Ogaard	Clifford Trangsrud
Olaf Soine	Harley Younggren
Roger Ward	
Daniel Wilkens	

Iner Quern was newly appointed as the Middle River-Snake River Watershed representative on the Lower Red River Watershed Management Board.

Absent: none

The minutes of the December 13, 1977 meeting were read and a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes.

A discussion about sending the minutes to various organizations and individuals did not formulate any definite plan. At present, each manager furnishes his own board wit copy of the minutes.

Roger Ward gave the monthly treasurer's report which is a part of these minutes, motion was made, seconded and passed that the report be approved.

The annual treasurer's report dating from December 14, 1976 to December 31, 1977 was given by Roger Ward and is made a part of these minutes. A motion was made, seconded and passes that the report be approved.

Attached are letters verifying the appointment of Iner Quern's appointment and a report of the auditing committee of the Middle River-Snake River Watershed Board.

The secretary was asked to send annual reports to Water Resources Board, county boards and other agencies.

Treasurer Roger Ward discussed transferring funds from checking to savings account motion was made, seconded and passed that Roger Ward be authorized to transfer money to the savings account.

The secretary was directed to have a supply of the "Resolution to Make a 2 mil levy Form" printed.

Don Ogaard reported that the ASCS committees will be receiving large funds for local erosion and water retention projects on a cost share 80-20% basis (local share 20%) This will be for SCS designed projects only--no private engineer design. He suggested that meetings of county commissioners, ASCS and SCS offices be arranged to plan for the best method of planning projects. Ogaard volunteered to meet with each local district and explain this program.

The Buffalo Watershed has organized and would like to have their representative attend our meetings. A motion was made, seconded and passed that a member of the Buffalo Watershed Board be invited to attend our board meetings.

A discussion about changes in the Project Evaluation Manual brought out some ideas and viewpoints. The consensus seemed to be that the board should be flexible, discretionary and open to present and future changes and needs. These rules can be changed, but for the present no changes were given or seemed necessary.

Dan Wilkens presented a feasibility study of a flood detention plan on the Sand Hill River in Bear Park Township in Norman County. It has a drainage area of 136 sq mil 2100 acre feet of storage and 85% of the inundated area is non-tillable land. The estimated cost is \$175,000. This report is attached to the minutes.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the Sand Hill project be moved to Step page 7 of the Project Evaluation Manual.

Project reviews: Don Ogaard reported that the Felton Dam has 50% assessment; Twin Valley Dam will be in construction phase in 1980 and the South Branch of the Wild Rice in 1978. There are two more projects that will be ready in the near future.

Harley Younggren stated that the DNR has changed their project plans in his area and he did not know what would happen.

Clifford Trangsrud said the DNR has changed their plans also and soil problems have been encountered.

Olaf Soine gave a brief review of the Baird-Beyer Dam and stated that the SCS has developed a new plan that appears to be an improvement over the original plan. The report is finished but wasn't available for this meeting.

The following officers were elected for the year 1978;

A motion was made, seconded and passed that Don Ogaard be elected President.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that Iner Quern be elected Vice-President.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that Olaf Soine be elected Secretary.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that Roger Ward be elected Treasurer.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the meeting adjourn.

Respectfully
submitted,

Olaf Soine
Secretary