

**LOWER RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD
MEETING
November 20, 1990**

The Lower Red River Watershed Management Board met on Tuesday, November 20, 1990, at 9:30 A.M. at the Red Lake Watershed District office in Thief River Falls.

Chairman Don Ogaard called the meeting to order.

Members present were:

Curtis Nelson	Arnold Person
Dan Wilkens	Roger Ward
Don Ogaard	Harley Younggren
Ron Osowski	Richard Bowen

Others present were:

Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Lowell Enerson, Administrator, Red Lake Watershed District
Paul Brekken, Red Lake Watershed District
Roland Gullekson, Sand Hill Watershed District
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River Watershed District
Rick St. Germain, Engineer, Houston Engineering
Bob Severson, Roseau River Watershed District
Vernon Johnson, Red Lake River Watershed District
Jon Roeschlein, Bois de Sioux Watershed District
John Finney, Joe River Watershed District
Gene Ueland, Wild Rice Watershed District

Minutes of the September 18, 1990 meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report as of November 20, 1990 was accepted as read.

Dan Thul reported on a meeting held in Bemidji with Omar Rood and various DNR Wildlife and Waters personnel. 'Projects discussed were the Juneberry Ridge Project, Nereson Subimpoundment, Polonia Project, and Parnell Project. A demonstration on gate operation was given by Omar utilizing small models.

Dan reported that the 6-county technical committee agreed to proceed with development of the "UNET" model by the Corps of Engineers.

Dan reviewed the International Coalition's Water Retention Task Force recommended positions and policy changes. He reported that the policies on culverts and gated structures were held over for further review next year.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

Wild Rice Watershed District

- FEMA came from Washington to review the work that has been done to correct the erosion on the Wild Rice River. The Watershed District appealed a number of sites which FEMA rejected for funding.
- Marsh Creek Project #11: easements being obtained.
- Wild Rice #35: inlet control weirs have been installed.

Roseau River Watershed District

Upon motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Person, to reimburse the Roseau River Watershed District for the following projects:

Diked Storage - 88/89 State	\$ 2,820.90
LRRWMB	13,730.53
	\$16,551.43
Diked Storage - 90/91 State	\$24,179.26
LRRWMB	16,119.35
	\$40,298.61
Palmville - LRRWMB	\$ 8,928.00
Red River WMA - Dike Failure	
LRRWMB	\$ 2,820.73

Sand Hill River Watershed District

- They are cleaning three miles of sluff's on the Sand Hill River.
- Attended Lakes Conference on the computer models utilized by MPCA - "FLUX" and "BATHTUB". Roland Gullickson attended conference in Virginia. He learned about a case where the EPA challenged the 401 certification by the Corps of Engineers for a dam similar to the Winger Dam.

Buffalo River Watershed District

-Curtis Nelson reported on the status of the following projects: Spring Creek, Stony Creek, Buffalo Red #1-Donley, Buffalo Red #2-Dale, Stinking Lake, Hay Creek, Whiskey Creek, and Deerhorn.

Two Rivers Watershed District

- The District has held a hearing on a subimpoundment within the much larger Juneberry Ridge Project.
- Upon motion by Manager Bowen, seconded by Manager Osowski to reimburse the Two Rivers Watershed District for the following projects, duly carried.

Juneberry Ridge Project	
88/89 State	\$ 8,802.47
LRRWMB	8,802.47
	\$17,604.94
Juneberry Ridge Project	
90/91 State	\$14,470.00
LRRWMB	7,235.00
	\$21,705.00

Joe River Watershed District

-Have completed three ring dikes except for seeding.

Red Lake Watershed District

-Maple Lake: MPCA wants an EIS done.
-Stream bank cleanup in Thief River Falls going well. Three other areas are doing a cleanup too.
-Three draft resolutions were reviewed: statewide repair and maintenance of publicly owned dams; continuation of the stream maintenance program; and Flood Damage Reduction Program. Resolution attached. A motion was made and seconded to forward the resolutions: 1)Stream Maintenance Program, 2)Flood Damage Reduction Program, and 3)Statewide Repair and Maintenance of Publicly Owned Dams to MAWD with the recommendation that they be passed.

Middle River-Snake River Watershed District

-Are building ring dikes up to the 100-year floodplain.
-There is a small retention area near Warren.
-Have applied for their second Flood Damage Reduction Grant for ring dikes.

Bois de Sioux Watershed District

-Working with establishing a Lake Traverse Association to work on cleaning up Lake Traverse (improve the water quality). Serving as an advisor and agency contact liaison.
-Five Judicial Ditches in their control in their entirety. \$130,000 project to control and repair erosion problem on the outfall structure on J.D. #12 near Campbell in cooperation with MN DOT. Working on getting funds from all counties for all ditches in their control.
-Have begun to implement their permit system.
-North Ottawa Retention Project - have been working with USFWS as a cooperative agency. As soon as Reconnaissance study is complete, will be considering entering into an agreement with them to begin some land acquisition as it becomes available from willing sellers. Engineering study should be complete by sometime in spring of 1991, weather permitting and barring any other complications.

Discussion on Dan Wilkens Committee Report:

- Change the need of 75% of those present to a requirement for six affirmative votes.
- Define Star Value somewhere - put in appendix?
- Include language so that the document can be reviewed once a year.
- Change Step III submittals to May through December.

Upon motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Person, that the LRRWMB accept the Committee Report with appropriate changes and that it be sent out to the local Districts for their review and comment, and then returned for action at the January meeting, duly carried.

Upon motion, seconded and duly carried, the following bills were ordered paid:

Business Agency - Bonds	500.00
Widseth, Smith & Nolting - Charlie Anderson - Tech Committee	587.60
JOR Engineering - Tech Committee	714.25
Roseau River WSD:	
Diked Storage - 88/89	16,551.43
Diked Storage - 90/91	40,298.61
Palmville	8,928.00
RRWMB - Dike Failure	2,820.73
Two Rivers WSD:	
Juneberry Ridge - 88/89	17,604.94
Juneberry Ridge - 90/91	21,705.00
Middle River-Snake River WSD:	
Ring dikes - State share	16,569.35
Buffalo-Red River WSD:	
Stinking Lake #16 - State Share	157,527.00
Middle River-Snake River WSD:	
Technical Committee	376.80
Richard Bowen	563.44
Harley Younggren	493.60
USGS - Stream Gauges	27,180.00
Northwestern State Bank, Hallock-checks	59.70

Respectfully Submitted,

Harley Younggren, Secretary