

RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
THIEF RIVER FALLS AUGUST 20, 1991

The Red River Watershed Management Board met on August 20, 1991 at 9:30 a.m. at the R.L.W.D. office, Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

President Don Ogaard called the meeting to order.

Members present were:

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

Others present were:

Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Omar Rood, J.O.R. Engineering
Lance Yohe, T.I.C.
Rick St. Germain, Engineer, Houston Engineering
Lowell Enerson, Administrator, Red Lake Watershed District
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle R.-Snake R. Watershed District
George Orning, T.I.C.
Richard Kuzel, Middle R. - Snake R. Watershed District

Minutes of the July 16, 1991 meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report as of August 20, 1991 was approved as presented. The Treasurer also presented a proposed investment policy to the Board. After discussion it was decided that the Managers take the policy home for review and act upon it at the next meeting.

Lance Yohe of The International Coalition had three proposals to submit to the Board.

1. The Clean Water Newsletter.
The purpose to publish and distribute the Clean Water Newsletter. T.I.C. requesting financial aid of \$19,500.00 for one year, to contribute information for articles and for the RRWMB to form a subcommittee to attend two meetings per year. After discussion it was decided that the Board supports the idea, but will wait until our next meeting to make a final decision.
2. G.I.S./Land use Training Workshops.
The purpose to develop a training program for those involved with land and water management. T.I.C. requesting financial support of \$12,000.00 for one year and to form a subcommittee that would meet 2 to 4 times per year. After discussion a motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Osowski, to fund the Workshops on a quarterly basis with quarterly reports on progress to the Board, duly carried.

3. Wetlands Analysis Study.

The purpose to do an analysis of Federal, State, and local wetland activities, jurisdiction, rules and regulations and then to provide the information to local management. T.I.C. requesting financial support of \$10,000.00 for nine months and to form a subcommittee to attend 2 to 4 meetings per year. After discussion, a motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Nelson, to fund the study by paying \$5,000.00 up front and the remaining \$5,000.00 upon completion of the study, duly carried.

Dan Thul report:

Dan provided a final copy of the Star Value Method for adoption. After review, a motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Nelson, to adopt the Star Value Method as presented, duly carried.

A letter had been sent by the DNR requesting Federal agencies to participate in the Mitigation plan for Winger Dam. Paul Stolen told Dan that the Corps, and USF&W were not planning on participating. Meetings are scheduled in St. Paul: DNR to review operating plan and Direction meeting in Roger Moe's office.

The DNR is looking at the new procedures in Chapter 103E in relation to helping Beltrami County to redetermine benefits within the Consolidated Conservation Areas.

The Director's Report for Buffalo - Red River WSD Project #9 - Donally is proceeding slowly due to the timing of the EAW process and related concerns.

Dan handed out a Dam Safety checklist, information on the Stream Bank Erosion cost share program, and the Flood Damage Reduction cost share program.

Dan suggested the Board apply for a joint FDR grant to provide cost share dollars for Construction of Ring Dikes along the Red River.

Member District Reports:

Wild Rice WSD -

The District authorized two tours; one for Norman County Commissioners and one for Cities, SWCD's, and County Commissioners. A major erosion control structure in Ditch #53 has been completed utilizing broken concrete rubble with a natural rock overlay. Two Corps, of Engineers project reports are under review by the District with public meetings scheduled. The District completed the purchase of Burlington Northern right of way for a potential water control structure. "Disaster Declaration" work will be completed this month.

Buffalo - Red River Watershed District -

The District Reported they made a negative declaration on the Project #9 Environmental Impact Statement. The Engineers are continuing to work on the Deerhorn Creek Detention. Rain gages will be installed on three detention projects to develop rainfall - runoff relationships. Annual dam inspections are scheduled for the next couple of weeks.

Red Lake Watershed District -

Good Lake 2A bid was let to Davidson Construction; The Clearwater Nonpoint Study is proceeding now with the signed contract. The Elm Lake dedication will be Sept. 21 at 1:30. A tour with Pennington County Commissioners is planned.

Two Rivers Watershed District -

Two thirds of the staking on the construction of the Nereson Project has been done. Due to the recent rain in the area, the east dike is too wet to work on at the present time. The dirt work on the north and west dikes can be done and with that construction finished, the area can be drained and next spring the dirt work can be finished on the other dike.

Roseau River Watershed District -

The District reported heavy crop damage due to rain in the area south of the City of Roseau. The contractor is to begin for the Corps, of Engineers on the Duxhy Levee Project - \$140,000.00 contract. The Hay Creek portion of the Roseau Dike Storage Project may be included in the FDR cost share requests. The District is proposing to trade with the landowners along the creek, protection from frequent floods (dikes to approximately 20 year) for flood storage on the larger events.

Joe River -

They sprayed the cattails in the Joe River by hand and they are still working on their dikes.

Bills Paid: Authorized

FSBFertile	Purchased 4 C.D.s	\$377,675.80
Best Western TRF	Noon Meal	\$86.00
FSBFertile	Purchased 3 C.D.s	\$286,589.64
Roger Ward	M and M	\$119.75
Harley Younggren	M and M and M	\$145.40
Ronald Osowski	M and M	\$76.97
Arnold Person	M and M	\$65.42
Daniel Wilkens	M and M and M	\$355.29
Donald Ogaard	M and M	\$84.67
Curtis Nelson	M and M	\$57.72
Roseau River W.D.	Return of Overpayment	\$240.08
T.I.C.	1/2 of Wetlands Analy.	\$5,000.00
T.I.C.	1/4 of G.I.S. Training	\$3,000.00
Widseth Smith Nolt.	Eng. Services - Star V.	\$195.00

The next meeting will be held on September 17, 1991 at 9:30 a.m. at the Wild Rice Watershed District office, Ada, Minnesota.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Harley Younggren