

RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 1991

The Red River Watershed Management Board met on Tuesday, September 17, 1991 at 9:30 a.m. at the Wild Rice Watershed District office, Ada, Minnesota.

Chairman Dan Ogaard called the meeting to order.

Members present were:

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

Others present were:

Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Omar Rood, J.O.R. Engineering
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River Watershed District
Gene Ueland, Wild Rice Watershed District
Rudee Anderson, Two Rivers Watershed District
George Orning, T.I.C.

Julie Goehring, T.I.C.

Minutes of the August 20, 1991, meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurers report was approved as presented.

After discussion, a motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Osowski to adopt the investment policy, as presented by the Treasurer, duly carried.

George Orning and Julie Goehring of The International Coalition submitted a proposal for an Information Package for the RRWMB.

1. Clean Water Newsletter.
A newsletter aimed at local leaders that will include Watershed District reports, S.W.C.D. reports, and County CLWP activities to be sent to 1,000 Red River Basin local leaders.
2. Watershed Grassroots Report.
A four page report of activities in each watershed that will be produced and mailed out quarterly. It will be targeted at The International Coalition's grassroots membership.
3. Media Utilization.
Press releases will be mailed out to watershed district area newspapers after each RRWMB meeting to help keep local citizens informed on watershed activities.

A motion by Manager Person, seconded by Manager Wilkens to adopt the request by T.I.C. for \$10,000.00 this quarter (Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 1991) to implement the Information Package and to have it evaluated on Dec. 31, 1991 to see if it meets RRWMB expectations, duly carried.

Dan Thul presented a Flood Damage Reduction Prioritization Report to the Board. After review, a motion by Manager Osowski, seconded by Manager Nelson to submit the report to the State as reviewed, duly carried.

Dan Thul presented a FDR grant application prepared by Ron Adrian and himself requesting State cost share of \$150,000 for Ring Dike program on the Red River Mainstem between Grand Forks and the Border. The member Districts impacted are the Joe, Two Rivers, Middle River-Snake River, and Red Lake. The Board approved the Grant Application for submittal to the State.

District Reports -Roseau

Watershed District

Richard Bowen resigned from the Board because he is leaving the area.

The District is planning to removed sand bars from the Roseau River.

Two Rivers Watershed District

The Nereson Project area is very wet. Any construction this year is out of the question.

Buffalo-Red River Watershed District

Buffalo River Flood Control Site No.1 -
The Engineer's Report was forwarded to all reviewing agencies on or before July 2, 1991. The main concern in the Director's Report was whether the impoundment would adversely affect upstream wetlands. The Corps of Engineers is preparing a public notice to take comments from interested parties. The Corps will continue their permit review when these comments are received. The BRRWD continues to work on the few remaining easement options.

Deerhorn Creek Dentention -
Engineers are continuing work on analyzing the downstream area which includes a DNR protected watercourse and a Wilkin County ditch. The study will be used to determine the projects potential benefits and whether a diversion and/or channelization would be cost effective.

Red Lake Watershed District

Approval has been received from the Attorney General's office on the Good Lake Project contract and will be processing that contract immediately.

The Burnham Creek Channel Project is coming to a decision in court.

Good Lake construction is going well. Two contractors are moving dirt at a very good pace.

Middle River-Snake River Watershed District

The construction of three ring dikes should be completed soon, with one ring dike completed last week.

Joe River Watershed District

They are completing their dikes - two ring dikes are presently under construction.

After discussion, a motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Ward to form an Investment Committee, consisting of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with one or more to be contacted before investing funds and to review the motion after one year, duly carried.

On motion by Manager Nelson, seconded by Manager Osowski to allow the Treasurer to have a computer analyst prepare the computer for better monthly reports at an estimated cost of \$300.00 to \$500.00, duly carried.

On motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Osowski to require one signature for S.S. funds and Medicare, duly carried.

The following bills were ordered paid:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Item</u>	
Bob's Cafe	Noon meal-Ada	\$ 79.00
FSB Fertile	Purch. 4 C.D.s	378,390.92
Roger Ward	M and M	118.77
Harley Younggren	M and M and M	172.52
Ronald Osowski	M and M	103.92
Arnold Person	M and M	94.30
Daniel Wilkens	M and M and M	415.15
Donald Ogaard	M and M and M	229.46
Curtis Nelson	M and M	73.67
T.I.C.	Info. Package	10,000.00
Garden Valley Tele.	Phone Bill	88.77
Mascom Inc.	Fax Service	2.00
Rice Hegstrom	Four Drawer File	179.95

The next meeting will be held at the Sand Hill Watershed District office, November 19, 1991, at 9:30 a.m., Fertile, Minnesota.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Harley Younggren