

RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 1991

The Red River Watershed Management Board met on Tuesday, December 10, 1991 at 9:30 a.m. at the Wild Rice Watershed District office, Ada, Minnesota.

Chairman Don Ogaard called the meeting to order.

Members present were:

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

Others present were:

Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Omar Rood, J.O.R. Engineering
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River Watershed District
Rick St. Germain, Houston Engineering
Brian Dwight, B.W.S.R. Board Representative
Gene Ueland, Wild Rice Watershed District
Floyd Jorgenson, SWCD Director, Area I
Jon Roeschlein, Administrator, Bois de Sioux Watershed District
Lowell Enerson, Administrator, Red Lake Watershed District
George Orning, T.I.C.
Steve Mikkleson, T.I.C.

Minutes of the November 19, 1991, meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurers report was approved as presented. On motion by Manager Person, seconded by Manager Osowski for the Treasurer to attend a training seminar, duly carried.

On motion by Manager Osowski, seconded by Manager Nelson to obtain bids from auditing firms in Crookston and Fargo that are approved for federal audits, and Conrad Dahl of Hallock, MN duly carried.

Brian Dwight, BWSR Board Representative informed the Board that a Wetland/Conservation seminar for County Commissioners, SWCD personnel, and Watershed District Managers will be held in January.

Floyd Jorgenson, Area I Director for SWCD informed the Board that their annual meeting in 1992 will be held in Area I and urged the Board members to attend.

Lowell Enerson, Administrator of the Red Lake Watershed District would like BWSR to notify County Boards when appointments for Managers are due. Karen Schulz, secretary at BWSR did it before, but the service has been discontinued since her retirement. The Chairman said that he would look into it.

George Orning, TIC reported on the current status of the G.I.S. He suggested a G.I.S. users education program and he would get the first group together. On motion by Manager Ward, seconded by Manager

Person to authorize the Technical Committee to take part in the users education program, duly carried.

On motion by Manager Person, seconded by Manager Osowski for Don Ogaard, Lowell Enerson and George Orning to prepare a LCMR grant to fund the G.I.S. education program, duly carried.

Jon Roeschlein, Administrator of the Bois de Sioux Watershed District presented a Resolution to re-align the RRWMB boundary to include the Bois de Sioux Watershed District. A motion by Manager Wilkens, seconded by Manager Ward to adopt the resolution, duly carried.

Steve Mikkleson, T.I.C. distributed the news releases prepared and sent out by T.I.C. for media and members.

A discussion was held on the January joint meeting with the North Dakota Red River Joint Water Resources Board. T.I.C. to have a presentation on water supply and G.I.S. application. Would also use the video prepared by the Red Lake Watershed District.

The March Conference was discussed. It was decided to invite Watershed Managers, County Commissioners and SWCD members.

Dan Thul Report - Dan reported on the Corps, of Engineer's feasibility study proposed for the City of Crookston and on the City of Grand Forks' options for levee protection. The U.S. Geological Survey is conducting a National Water Quality Assessment (NAWQA) study which includes the Red River Valley as one of a total of 60 Watersheds nationwide to be studied. Appears to be a very impressive study to date.

District Reports

Wild Rice Watershed District

Their attorney resigned, he also did the bookwork, so some adjustments are being made.

Sand Hill Watershed District

Met with Ron Harnack to see if he could help with the Winger Dam Project.

Buffalo - Red River Watershed District

The District hired a Wetland Ecologist to determine the impacts from periodic inundation to existing wetlands in the flood pool (Project #9). The District has been working with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on Becker County Ditch No. 15 within the Hamden Slough National Wildlife Refuge.

Middle River - Snake River Watershed District

Will apply for Step II approval soon on the March Impoundment.

Two Rivers Watershed District

Will expand the Klondike Project area with the purchase of the Stoeckman land.

Roseau River Watershed District

Have cleaned out Ditch #51. Red

Lake Watershed District

Lowell Enerson was appointed to the Clean Rivers Task Force. They will get last one-half of river cleanup money and will use correction people to help clean river.

Joe River Watershed District

Will complete dikes in the spring.

Local County Water Planning

A discussion was held on some type of cost share funding to Local County Water Planning and the Watershed Districts on specific initiatives such as wetland banking, ditch mappings, and an inventory of drained wetlands. Further discussion will be held at the next RRWMB meeting.

Arnold Person informed the Board that he was not reappointed to the Red Lake Watershed board. On motion by Manager Ward, seconded by Manager Wilkens to prepare a letter of thanks and commendation for services to the RRWMB, carried unanimously.

On motion, seconded, and duly carried, the following bills were ordered paid.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bobs Cafe - Ada	Noon Meal	\$ 120.00
Roger Ward	M and M	118.77
Harley Younggren	M and Misc.	108.82
Robert Severson	M and M	123.17
Ronald Osowski	M and M	95.67
, Arnold Person	M and M	84.67
Daniel Wilkens	M and M	317.63
Donald Ogaard	M	83.11
Curtis Nelson	M and M	73.67
T.I.C. GIS Land Use Training Workshops		3,000.00
USGS WRD - 9 Stream Flow Gages		28,505.00
Business Agency Inc.	Pos. Sch. Bonds	500.00
Wid. Smith Nolting	Replace ck#193	195.00
FSB Fertile	Stop Pay ck #193	7.50

The next meeting will be a joint meeting with the North Dakota Red River Joint Water Resources Board on January 15, 1992 at 9:00 a.m. at the Westward Ho Motel, Grand Forks, ND.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Harley Younggren