

RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 21, 1995
WILD RICE WATERSHED DISTRICT OFFICE, ADA, MINNESOTA

The RRWMB met on Tuesday, November 21, 1995 at 9:30 a.m. at the Wild Rice Watershed District Office, Ada, Minnesota.

Chairman Ron Osowski called the meeting to order.

Members present were:

Ron Osowski	Dan Wilkens
Sanford Moen	Farrell Erickson
Gerhard Ross	Curtis Nelson
John Finney	Ralph Christenson
Harley Younggren	

Others present were:

Don Ogaard, Executive Director
Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Julie Goerhing, T.I.C.
Steve Mikkelson, T.I.C.
Charles Anderson, Engineer, J.O.R. Engineering
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River WD
Brent Johnson, Engineer, Red Lake WD
Bob Wright, Wild Rice WD
Lowell Enerson, Administrator, Red Lake WD
Rick St. Germaine, Engineer, Houston Engineering

Minutes of the October 23, 1995 meeting were read and approved. **Motion** by Manager Moen; **Seconded** by Manager Erickson; **Carried.**

The Treasurer's report was approved as read. **Motion** by Manager Nelson; **Seconded** by Manager Finney; **Carried.**

A **Motion** by Manager Erickson; **Seconded** by Manager Christenson; to review and pay bills, (attached) **Carried.**

A Motion by Manager Nelson, **Seconded** by Manager Moen to pay manager's expenses to the E.I.S. meetings in Thief River Falls or Moorhead. **Carried.**

District Reports

The Wild Rice Watershed District Managers authorized funding for a basin water quality assessment. The District is taking the lead in the effort, in partnership with local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, DNR, Extension Service, White Earth Reservation and other agencies. Despite wet conditions, it was reported that repairs and cleaning completed this season included the Moccasin Creek Dam, and

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Lake Ida Dam. Repairs that won't be completed because of wet weather include a cleanout of the seepage ditch on the Olson Agassiz Project. The Wild Rice WD has authorization to apply for a Clean Water Partnership Grant from M.P.C.A. for \$157,152.00 and to request assistance from the RRWMB. Proposed funding:

RRWMB	25,000
In kind	25,000
Wild Rice	<u>25,000</u>
	75,000

A **Motion** by Manager Moen, **Seconded** by Manager Wilkens to assist the Wild Rice WD with \$25,000.00, **Carried**

The Two Rivers WD reported that the status of Klondike has been reversed; the original determination of "previously converted" will remain in effect

The Red Lake WD reported they completed the hearing on the Parnell Impoundment Project No. 81. It was very positive and they are moving forward to order the project built. The RLWD will be submitting their billing for the second payment on their Water Quality Project, in the amount of \$25,000, which is due in December. The Parnell Impoundment - Step II submittal was presented to the Board. Significant changes have been made. The drainage area is 23 square miles, storage 4,000 ac/ft.; cost \$2,302,500.

Proposed funding:

State	50%
RRWMB	33%
Red Lake WD	17%

A **Motion** by Manager Ross, **Seconded** by Manager Nelson to the accept Step II for the Parnell Project at 33%, duly **Carried.**

The Joe River WD reported on cleaning some laterals and ditches.

The Sand Hill WD reported erosion problems at the Climax Golf Course, a riprap project at the learning center and at other locations.

The Roseau River WD reported they are involved in a number of ditch repairs.

The Buffalo-Red River WD reported a preliminary survey report is being prepared for the Moorhead-Dilworth area ditches and will be presented to the District on November 27, 1995. Preliminary hearings are scheduled for December.

The Bois de Sioux WD Board reported they adopted a policy for covering costs associated with repair

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and replacement of crossings on legal ditch systems under their management authority.

The Middle River-Snake River WD reported that preparation of the Engineers Report for the Angus Oslo Site #4 is in progress. The additional survey for the project has been completed. Additional meetings with the affected property owners are planned for the week of December 4th.

Dan Thul reported that proposed projects which include major changes in design or cost must re-submit FDR applications. Projects which have not changed will need a letter updating the project status. A letter outlining member districts cost share responsibilities for USGS gage operation was distributed.

Steve Mikkelson from T.I.C. reported that the annual conference held in Fargo was well attended. They are thinking of a two-day conference next year to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Don Ogaard updated the Board on the Red River Basin "Coalition". 23 organizations in the basin have been identified that are involved to some degree in pursuing long range water supply issues. Various sources of funding are available. There is a need to bring all players together to formulate a unified direction. City of GF will host a summit meeting in January to facilitate this process. A **Motion** by Manager Wilkens, **Seconded** by Manager Moen to support the meeting with \$5,000, **Carried**.

Executive Director contract expires on 12-31-95. A **Motion** by Manager Erickson, **Seconded** by Manager Finney to renew the contract for an indefinite term, **Carried**.

The next meeting will be held on December 19, 1995 at 9:30 a.m. at the Middle River-Snake River WD office in Warren, Minnesota.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

E. Harley Younggren