

RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 19, 1995
MIDDLE RIVER-SNAKE RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT OFFICE, WARREN, MINNESOTA

The RRWMB met on Tuesday, December 19, 1995 at 9:30 a.m. at the Middle River-Snake River Watershed District Office, Warren, 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	Harley Younggren

Others present were:

Don Ogaard, Executive Director
Dan Thul, Red River Coordinator
Julie Goehring, T.I.C.
Steve Mikkelsen, T.I.C.
Charles Anderson, Engineer, J.O.R. Engineering
Ron Adrian, Engineer, Middle River-Snake River WD
Lowell Enerson, Administrator, Red Lake WD
Rick St. Germain, Engineer, Houston Engineering

Minutes of the November 21, 1995 meeting were read and approved. Motion by Manager Finney; Seconded by Manager Moen; Carried.

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

BILLS PAID:

TO WHOM PAID	FOR WHAT PURPOSE	TOTAL CHECK
First State Bank of Fertile	Soc Sec and Med Deposit	\$ 218.08
Beaver's Restaurant	Noon Meal	90.00
John Finney	Meetings and Mileage	84.99
Farrell Erickson	Meetings and Mileage	97.59
Harley Younggren	Meetings and Misc.	122.09
Ron Osowski	Meetings and Mileage	65.79
Gerhard Ross	Meetings and Mileage	68.79
Daniel Wilkens	Meetings and Mileage	376.85
Sanford Moen	Meetings and Mileage	65.19
Curtis Nelson	Meetings and Mileage	80.79

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Donald Ogaard	E.D. Services and Misc.	2,795.31
Red Lake WD	Water Quality Project	25,000.00
Red Lake WD	Video-Drainage in MN	5,603.63
Sand Hill WD	Deposit Error Correction	242.22
Dorsey and Whitney	E.A. Invoice #46113	4,836.97
Loyd-Gilbert Associates	E.A. Invoice #02089	1,763.94
HDR Engineering	E.A. Invoice #164-10346	35,654.09
Garden Valley Telephone Co.	Phone Bill	24.44

District reports were given. Some of the items of specific interest to the RRWMB and their activities include:

The Wild Rice WD reported that a meeting was held with the Corps of Engineers (COE) on the Marsh Creek Detention, Site #6, to clarify the need for additional information requested for completion of the COE's environmental assessment and public interest evaluation of the project. The COE is requesting the District to provide additional information concerning the evaluation of practicable alternatives, impacts, benefits, O&M and compensatory mitigation for significant secondary or indirect impacts associated with the permitted activity.

Lowell Enerson, Administrator for the Red Lake WD, reported on their production of a video "Drainage in Minnesota - Past, Present, and the Process." On Motion by Manager Wilkens; **Seconded** by Manager Moen; to support a generic presentation of the video for each WD and to make 50 copies, duly **Carried**.

The Buffalo Red River WD reported that a preliminary survey report for the Moorhead-Dilworth area ditches was presented to the District on November 27, 1995. Preliminary hearings were held in early December. The District appointed viewers and ordered the detailed engineer's survey report. A Step II application will be filed with the RRWMB in January after the Hawley project preliminary report is submitted and anticipated costs have been updated.

The Bois de Sioux WD reported on the progress of a number of ditch projects and activities.

The Middle River-Snake River WD reported that the preparation of the Engineer's Report is in progress for the Angus Oslo Site #4. They met again with some of the affected landowners on December 6. Additional survey is underway and the soils investigations have been authorized. Summer construction is anticipated.

The Roseau River WD reported that the Norland Project was on hold since the county has rescinded the Wetland Conservation Act.

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Dan Thul reported that Paul Swenson, Regional Administrator, DNR, was attempting to schedule meetings with the individual watershed districts to discuss the draft EIS and future working RRWMB relationships.

Steve Mikkelson of T.I.C. reported the contract on the Red River Basin's Informative Package at \$40,000 annually or \$ 10,000 quarterly is due for renewal. A Motion by Manager Ross; Seconded by Manager Wilkens; to renew support of the Information Package at \$10,000 quarterly, duly Carried

Don Ogaard reported on the proposed Red River Basin "Summit Meeting". The meeting is to pursue a unified perspective, support, and action on a number of water related issues and items. Don updated the Board on the State's wetland planning initiative.

The Board reviewed a personal response to the draft EIS prepared by Don Ogaard. The Board also reviewed the response prepared in cooperation with HDR Engineering and the technical committee for the Board.

March Conference:

It was suggested that the conference be held on March 21, and 22, 1996, at the Best Western Motel in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. The RRWMB meeting will be held on March 21 at 9:00 a.m. with the conference beginning after lunch. Committee appointed - Ron Osowski, Sanford Moen, and John Finney.

It's our turn to host the MN/ND joint meeting. Suggested February 8, 1996. Don to check out.

The next meeting will be held on January 16, 1996 at 9:30 a.m. at the Sand Hill WD office in Fertile, Minnesota.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

E. Harley Younggren