

NORTHEAST RED WATERSHED DISTRICT

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VIRTUAL Board Meeting 2024-13

Nov 14, 2024

PRESENT BOARD Verner Johnson – NRWD Board Chairperson, Provincial Appointee
Marc Ross –NRWD Board Vice Chairperson
Russ Gawluk – Brokenhead River S.D Chair
Jack Kowalchuk – Devils Creek S.D Chair
Edgar Scheurer – Red River S.D. Chair
Elwood Lamont – Lower Cooks Creek S.D Chair
Jonothon Roskos - Carrs Creek/Lower Seine S.D Chair
Greg Mandzuk – Catfish Creek /Gull Lake S.D. Chair

STAFF Danica Racicot – Manager
Starr Harder – Administrator
Makayla Baldwin – Program Coordinator

GUESTS Colleen Cuvelier – Provincial Watershed Planner

REGRETS Brad Ingles - Upper Cooks Creek S.D. Vice chair
Roger Vaags – Carrs Creek/Lower Seine S.D Vice chair
Scott Spicer – Red River S.D. Vice chair
Brian Chorney – Devil’s Creek S.D. Vice chair
Dave Horbas – Catfish Creek /Gull Lake S.D. Vice chair
Glen Fuhl – Lower Cooks Creek S.D. Vice chair

Call meeting to order at 9:10 am

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 2024-64

BE IT RESOLVED the board approves the agenda as provided.

Moved: Marc Ross

Seconded: Greg Mandzuk

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 2024-65

BE IT RESOLVED the board approves meeting minutes from Northeast Red Watershed District (NRWD) Board Meeting September 19, 2024.

Moved: Greg Mandzuk

Seconded: Marc Ross

CARRIED

3. FINANCIAL

a. Approval of financials reconciled to September 30, 2024

Resolution 2024-66

BE IT RESOLVED the board approves financial statements reconciled to September 30, 2024.

Moved by: Russ Gawluk

Seconded by: Jonothon Roskos

CARRIED

b. Review of the YTD 2024-25 budget

4. REPORTS

a. Provincial Update – *Report attached.*

b. Manitoba Association of Watersheds - no report, MAW meeting tomorrow.

c. Staff Report – *Report attached.*

Marc has requested drone scoping of beaver dams at 302 and Cooks Creek and 45E. Discussion of crown land and non-district drains which are responsibility of the RM. Marc will look into Taché drain ownership in area. Request for list of project applications by RM on future staff reports to monitor outreach successes.

d. Sub-District Committee Chair Updates

Catfish Creek/ Gull Lake – Greg Mandzuk

Concerns expressed around committee attendance and lack of quorum throughout year. Manager to reach out to RM of St. Clements to discuss appointments.

Upper Cooks Creek - Marc Ross

Beaver problems discussed. No update on 45E, project was planned for this summer, delayed by rain and contractor availability. Project funds may need to be carried over to next fiscal year. Forestry Rd 13&13A requires culvert cleanout prior to winter. Manager to acquire equipment lists in RM of Reynolds.

Danica – Attempting to get clarification on provincial ask for 13&13A agreement.

Russ – Discussed utilizing RALP funds for increasing water retention on 1313A. Agreement will determine survey and engineering requirements. No flooding has occurred in past over 13&13A.

Carrs Creek/Lower Seine – Jonothon Roskos

Little to update. Infrastructure projects in surveying or engineering stage. Stepping down from Watershed District after many years of standing. Draft

Brokenhead River - Russ Gawluk

Would like to see their producers become an advertisement for programs. Year-end subcommittee meeting on Dec 9 at Brokenhead office to review year successes. Tentative January 18th meeting for producers to discuss Winnipeg River Watershed District.

Devils Creek – Jack Kowalchuk

Danica shared details of the field trip held in October. Visited Smith Retention project and drainage system of Devils Creek. RM of Brokenhead has an area to consider for a retention project.

Lower Cooks Creek – Elwood Lamont

Donaldson major project completed, next year maintenance in surveying stage currently.

Red River – Edgar Scheurer

Stepped away from RM of Springfield appointment to Red River committee. Will be hearing from Tache as he will replace Jonothon's vacancy on Carr's Creek committee.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. **Update on AMM Resolution for Provincial Drainage Support**

Resolutions requesting provincial drainage support were passed at the regional level and are proceeding to the annual AMM convention at the end of November for full membership consideration. Awaiting formal response from government in New Year once passed.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Approval of Office Building Upgrades**

Overview of quotes for 2000-gallon septic holding tank and high water alarm, hot water tank, softener, and additional small issues including garage tap and low flow toilets. Additional quotes discussed for eavestrough, downspout and leaf gutter replacement. Additional formal quote on fascia damage. Request to inquire about removal of chimney and repair roof rather than repairing flashing around chimney.

Resolution 2024-67

BE IT RESOLVED that the board approves the building committee to allocate funds up to \$45,000 for the internal and external plumbing, septic work, roof repair and eavestrough replacement.

Moved: Greg Mandzuk

Second: Russ Gawluk

CARRIED

b. Manitoba Association of Watersheds (MAW) AGM Delegates

MAW's Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, December 2, 2024 at the Keystone Centre in Brandon. Each watershed district is allowed to register up to three voting delegates, with pre-registration of voting delegates required by Nov 22. Staff will determine representatives at November 21 annual organizational meeting next week.

7. NEXT MEETING

Annual Organizational Meeting Thursday November 21, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. in Dugald.
Next Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday January 23 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourned 11:00 AM

Verner Johnson- Chairperson

Starr Harder, Administrator