

WILD RICE WATESHED DISTRICT

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APPROVED

November 8, 2006

1. The regular meeting of the Wild Rice Watershed District Board of Managers was held on Wednesday, November 8, 2006, at the office of the District. The following members were in attendance: Joe Spaeth, Warren J. Seykora, Bob Wright, James Wagner, Sr., Diane Ista, Jim Skaurud and Dave Vipond. The following members were absent: None. In addition the following persons were in attendance: Attorney Elroy Hanson, Engineer Jerry Bents, Administrator Dalen, Secretary Loretta Johnson, Publicist Tim Halle, Court Reporter Sandy Bjerke, and Royal Knutson, Brian Borgen, Ronnie Guttormson, Randy Pallum, Brent Kappes.
2. Chairman Seykora called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.
3. Agenda. A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve the agenda for November 8, 2006.
4. Public Outreach, Kaleidoscope. Administrator Dalen reported that he was on the Kaleidoscope Program on November 6 and intended to incorporate Managers beginning with Vipond at the next radio broadcast.
5. Project #42 News Article. Tim Halle stated that he was contacted by RRWMB Administrator Naomi Erickson, regarding writing an update of the District for the RRWMB newsletter. Halle suggested doing an article on Project #42. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing staff to notify Administrator Erickson that the District will provide a news article and work with Halle on information to provide in the article. Carried.
6. Tape Recording Meetings. Discussion was held regarding the possible tape recording of meetings. Attorney Hanson had contacted the City of Ada, a local government agency that tapes their meetings, regarding any concerns or problems associated with the process. City Clerk Shelly Kappes indicated that there has not been a big expense, depending on how sophisticated recording equipment that may be used. Hanson stated that an Attorney General opinion stated that taping of meetings is legal providing it is not disruptive to the meetings. Manager Ista stated that taping is very important and provides a way to go back and check the recordings for clarification. It allows hand written recorders to leave the room and still catch up on the conversations. Ista stated she would like to see the meetings taped. Attorney Hanson stated that he did not recommend the District begin using an actual transcript of the meetings as this would be a considerable expense for the District.

Royal Knutson stated that he is at the meeting to provide any technical information the Managers might use or need. Knutson stated that he was asked by Wayne Lee, who is interested in hiring Knutson, to inquire about video taping of the meetings. Knutson stated that he does have the capabilities to video or audio tape the meetings if the Board is interested in doing so. Knutson stated that his recommendation would be to audio tape the meetings, due to expense and stated that for approximately \$1,000 the District could purchase relatively good recording equipment.

A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond authorizing the District to invest \$1,000 for audio equipment to be set up for taping of meetings. Chairman Seykora stated that he contacted other watershed districts and their recommendations were not to tape meetings. Seykora stated that the Managers are satisfied with the minutes and saw no real reason to begin tape recording. Manager Skaurud stated that he trusted the minutes and didn't find it necessary to tape record the meetings. Manager Ista said that she did not mean to be negative as far as the current minutes; rather she felt the recording of the meetings could be used for a backup. Chairman Seykora called for a vote. Managers Ista and Vipond voted for and Wagner, Wright, Spaeth, Seykora, Skaurud against. Motion failed for lack of a majority. Royal Knutson asked if a taxpayer could come in and tape the meetings. Attorney Hanson replied that yes, they can.

7. Project #42. Brent Kappes questioned why the Board could take the land from property owners on the lower site when saying that the upper site owners would not agree unless the downstream storage is included in the project. Warren Seykora stated that the Managers are trying to promote this project for the entire watershed district and it is very important that we do not see this as an east/west issue. Kappes stated that he has not seen the support for the project that managers talk about. Randy Pallum stated that he doesn't believe there is support for the lower site. Manager Wagner stated that there is only one way to slow the rivers down and that is to take water away from it. Retention is needed upstream and downstream and we as a board are looking at options. Wagner stated he did not like to see the fighting that is going on as a result of the proposed lower site.

Seykora stated that any other options taxpayers may have should be brought to the District's attention. Brian Borgen brought photos of a culvert on Seykora's property and asked Manager Seykora if he would be willing to store water on his land. Seykora replied that he has talked to the Soil and Water Conservation District regarding a small storage site on his property.

Engineer Bents discussed the timeline on the project and stated that the project is approximately two months behind the original schedule, mainly due to the fact of waiting for the LIDAR imaging which is behind its schedule. Bents distributed option of probable costs for Alternatives #2 and #4 of the South Branch Off Channel sites. Alternative Site #2 project total is estimated at \$22,961,339 for a cost per acre foot of \$1,267. Alternative Site #4 project total is estimated at \$16,607,378 for a cost per acre foot of \$896. Bents stated that both sites have an equal amount of storage and no environmental issues distinguish one site or the other. Bents stated that there would be some additional field work on the sites maybe sometime before spring but the District would probably want to move more on the upper sites as soon as this is done, to get them to the same status as the lower. The upper sites will definitely reduce the sediment coming down the river and in designing the lower site in the near term of six months, the sediment will be estimated. The U.S. COE is working on a sediment analysis as a part of the Feasibility Study, which the District will use in comparing current estimates. Beginning in the spring of 2007 the USGS will begin a five year monitoring program of sediment of sites on the South Branch and the Wild Rice River, which will provide more detailed and better data to work with. Brent Kappes asked if the intention was to build the upper sites and determine how much silt is coming down and how much the water is slowed down prior to building the lower site. Ronnie Guttormson asked how many inch rainfall event the lower site would hold. Bents stated that the original goal is to reduce the output into the river 30-40 percent on a ten year rainfall event. Manager Skaurud questioned who would control the outlet structure. Engineer Bents stated that an Operating and Maintenance Plan would be approved by the District, DNR and COE.

A motion was made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Vipond to continue investigation of only Site #4. Carried with a unanimous vote. Manager Ista questioned how much additional work would be done at the present time. Engineer Bents stated that there would be no major work of importance at the present time. Consensus of Managers was to hold an informational meeting on the Upper Sites on approximately December 11, 2006, and hopefully the LIDAR data will be available by that time.

8. Tom Baker, Leon Johnson, Corey and Floyd Hanson, Horace Ooley, Ernie Hilde, Don Johnson, Kevin Jensen attended the meeting.

9. J.D. 51, Cleanout (Upper Reaches Project). Tom Baker presented on behalf of Ronnie Baker, the following five point request for repairs on J.D. #51: 1) Cleaning of Ditch #51 to be started by the Texas Crossing. 2) The opening at the mouth of Ditch #51 be the same as the weir. 3) The weir be repaired on Ditch #51. 4) Trees be removed from Ditch #51 right-of-way because they block the snow and keep water from moving through. Also the bank on the south side be lowered to the same level as the north side. 5) The bottom of Ditch #51 be widened going west where Highway #200 box culvert is. Tom Baker stated that Item #1, the request for cleanout between Sections 10/11 of McDonaldsville Township, be considered first. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Spaeth authorizing the investigation into the Baker request for cleaning in Sections 10/11. Carried.

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10. Marshall Hegreberg, Ernest Hilde, Herman Lee, Larry Hilde, Mark Harless, Section 23, Winchester Township. The permit is at the site of a previous complaint filed by Don Johnson. Ernest Hilde presented the permit application explaining the proposal, stating that he had discussions with Marshall Hegreberg and a part of the permit application was to assist Hegrebergs, but were not in the area of the permit application. Upon a motion by Manager Spaeth and second by Manager Skaurud, Permit Application # 11-8-06-1 of Marshall Hegreberg, Ernest Hilde, Herman Lee, Larry Hilde, Mark Harless to install a berm on the west side of the township road up to the field crossing (about 20 feet long); build up the west half of the crossing eight to ten inches with fill dirt; remove the cross culvert (36") in the township road and replace with a longer 36" culvert that will be angled 20 to 30 degrees tilted south was approved with the following conditions: The proposed ditch cleaning is to be done first. The elevation of the berm is equal to the top of the culvert for a length of 20 feet. Carried.

11. Mark Chisholm, Sections 6 and 7 of Strand Township. Administrator Dalen stated that Mark Chisholm had discussed the fact that he was not in agreement with the decision to table the two permit applications requesting larger culverts in Sections 6 and 7 of Strand Township, therefore he was given the opportunity to attend today's meeting for continued discussion. Several landowners met with the Managers to raise concerns. Floyd and Corey Hanson expressed their concerns regarding additional water on their property and also with the near overtopping of the Green Meadow Dam in the spring of 2006. Additional water could cause severe damages. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Wagner to deny Permit Applications # 10-18-06-2 and 3 of Mark Chisholm to increase culvert sizing in Sections 6 and 7 of Strand Township due to concerns about impacts to the downstream landowners, the Green Meadow Dam and the township roads. Carried.

12. Green Meadow Dam Update. Floyd and Corey Hanson asked several questions regarding the status of the Green Meadow Dam construction project. Engineer Bents stated that although the contractors are two months behind schedule they are being pushed to complete the project this fall. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Pay Request #3 in the amount of \$47,573 to Geray Construction for construction work to date on the Green Meadow Dam repair project. Carried.

13. U.S. COE Sediment Study. Administrator Dalen reported that surveyors are currently working on the Sediment Study on the Wild Rice and South Branch as part of the cost share sediment analysis for the COE WRRFS. Although the original plan was to talk to individual landowners regarding access for the surveying, due to time constraints, letters were mailed to all landowners in the section of the access.

14. J.D. #51 Cleanout. Administrator Dalen stated that Manager Wagner assisted in negotiating a permanent easement with Grivnos. If Ronnie Baker does not agree to a spoil release, the cleanout will stop at Baker's property line. Brian Borgen suggested not moving ahead with the cleanout until after his court case which begins on November 22, 2006. Consensus of Managers was to proceed as originally intended.

15. J.D. #51 Slide Repair. Engineer Bents reported that Contractor Hennen stated that he would begin working on the repair the week of November 6, 2006, with a completion date of June 15, 2006.

16. Upper Reaches Set Back Levee, Section 22, McDonaldsville Township. Discussion was held regarding the levee repair in Section 22, McDonaldsville Township. Consideration is being given to moving the levee back away from the river to assist in preventing outbreaks. Administrator Dalen contacted Paul Larson and Mike Roesch regarding the District gaining additional land for the setback. Dalen stated that both appeared willing to work with the District on land negotiations. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud authorizing Administrator Dalen to begin negotiations at \$1,000 per acre. Motion died for lack of a second.

17. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond to close the meeting to discuss land negotiations. Carried. The meeting was closed.

18. The meeting was opened following negotiation discussion.

19. Consider Billings. A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Spaeth authorizing payment of the billings for November 8, 2006, including Managers per diems and expenses. Carried.

20. Upper Reaches Redetermination of Benefits. Administrator Dalen reported on a recent meeting and consultation with Attorney Jerry VonKorff of Rinke Noonan and Attorney Hanson regarding various options available for the redetermination of benefits on the Upper Reaches Project. Dalen stated that he would contact Appraiser Ron Ringquist and notify him of the status of the project.

21. Upper Green Meadow Storage Sites. Engineer Bents distributed the report from Midwest Testing on the nine soil borings at two sites in Sections 18 of Strand Township and 5 and 32 of Sundal Township proposed for the Upper Green Meadow Storage. The purpose of the boring was to determine preliminary soil and ground water conditions. The report stated that ground water levels were measured; however, it was expected that the actual ground water level would be above these depths. The sand and silt deposits encountered above the deeper clay soils were mostly found to be in a waterbearing condition below a depth of approximately four to five feet. Therefore, construction difficulties associated with excavating clay borrow from below a waterbearing sand formation would be expected. Seepage below the dike through the permeable sand deposits would be expected, unless a trench is cut down to the impermeable natural clays and backfilled with an impermeable clay core. Engineer Bents stated that because of the results of the boring, further investigation is not really feasible and further work was stopped at this time. Manager Wagner asked what could be done to build something in that area for storage, as it is quite critical to gain storage; could poly liners be used. Manager Ista stated that she too would like further work done there because of the need for storage and the overload of the Green Meadow Dam, even with the current repair. Ista stated that she felt it was imperative to move forward. Manager Seykora questioned where the funding would come from for further investigation into storage and asked the cost of an engineer's report. Engineer Bents stated a preliminary cost estimate for a proposed project may be approximately \$3,000. Seykora also asked if the property owners are willing to sell their land for a project. Manager Spaeth felt that landowners should be contacted to make sure they are willing to have flood storage on their property. Managers Wagner and Ista felt that a meeting should be held with landowners. Manager Vipond stated that landowners will need to know the cost of a project. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth authorizing staff to contact affected landowners to have a meeting with the Steering Committee and Managers Ista and Wagner to determine the availability of the land. Carried.

22. Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve the September 11, 2006, Special Meeting Upper Reaches Minutes. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Ista to approve the September 13, 2006, Regular Meeting Minutes. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve the October 11, 2006, Regular Meeting Minutes with the following changes: On Page #6, Paragraph #34, Line #9, remove "not;" on Page #8, Paragraph #36, line #2, remove "three" and add "or part of." Carried.

23. FEMA 2006 Repairs. Engineer Bents reported that all small 2006 FEMA repairs are complete with the exception of one on Norman Polk. Project #30, which is a large claim, is in the process of being reconsidered by FEMA.

24. Heiraas Litigation. Attorney Hanson reported that the settlement agreement has been filed with the court, all bills sent to the insurance carrier. Those submitted and eligible have been paid. The court case is concluded.

25. Heiraas Restoration Site. Chairman Seykora reported that A.C. Heiraas has installed a fence across the river at the completed repair site and horses are running across the repairs causing damages. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Vipond authorizing staff to investigate the possible damages to the recently repaired project. Carried.

26. Heiberg Dam Repair Project. Engineer Bents stated that an agreement has been made with the contractor regarding the final quantities for the project. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Wright to approve Pay Request #7 in the amount of \$13,948 to Landwehr Construction for the Heiberg Dam Repair Project. Carried. Final Payments will be made in the spring of 2006.

27. County Commissioner Funding Meetings. Administrator Dalen reported that he was contacted by Norman County Commissioners and will be meeting with them. Dalen, Engineer Bents and Manager Seykora will be attending a Becker County Commissioner meeting to discuss the various funding options of the District.

28. South Branch Repair Request, Sections 24'25 of Mary Township; Sections 30'36 of Winchester Township and Section 1 of Felton Township. Administrator Dalen questioned Attorney Hanson if the District could postpone the Hearing on the Repair Request on the South Branch one month. Hanson stated that there would be no reason for not postponing the date.

29. Grass Buffer Strip Restoration. Chairman Seykora discussed recent work with MAWD regarding the establishment of grass buffer strips.

30. Gene Ueland Violation, Section 25 of Shelly Township and Sections 29 and 30 of Good Hope Township. Administrator Dalen distributed copies of correspondence from Gene Ueland to Attorney Hanson, which was hand delivered to the Watershed District office. Ueland stated that he did not agree or consent to the District's engineer performing a study on his property and requested a meeting with Hanson, at his office in Mahnomon, and members of the board to work toward solution. Ueland requested that the J.D. #53 Ditch System provide a partial cost sharing of the work he completed to date and also indicated that he is interested in completing the remaining work this fall. Manager Ista raised concerns with a meeting in Attorney Hanson's office and not at the District. Administrator Dalen felt that the District has placed a huge amount of effort into this violation and Ueland has done nothing to restore the violation or attend the current meeting to discuss the restoration. Manager Ista stated that it appears Ueland has had opportunities to come into the District office and has not done so. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing Attorney Hanson to proceed with legal action against Ueland for the violation, including the summons and complaint or what Hanson determines necessary to continue with civil and or criminal litigation. Carried.

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31. Keith Chisholm, Section 31, Pleasant View Township. Engineer Bents stated that the revised culvert analysis dated October 24, 2006 and submitted by Keith Chisholm to show the impacts of installing an additional 24" CMP through the roadway between the SW ¼ of Section 31, Pleasant View Township and the SE ¼ of 36 of Anthony Township provides adequate information for the Managers. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Wagner to provide a copy of the Engineer's determination to Keith Chisholm and request that he resubmit a permit application if he would like the Board to consider permitting the change. Carried.

32. Complaints/Violations. Chairman Seykora turned the meeting over to Vice Chairman Wright. Seykora did not take part in any part of the discussion. A copy of a report prepared by Mark Aanenson, Houston Engineering, was distributed to Managers for review. Managers addressed the complaint filed by Brian Borgen alleging a violation by Warren Seykora in Sections 29 and 31 of Chief Township and Section 1 of Walworth Township. The complaint was investigated by Mark Aanenson, who provided photos and documentation from Chief Township Chairman, Mahnomen County Engineer, Walworth Township Chair and the Becker County SWCD, each stating that there was no evidence of a violation. Aanenson's report stated that given the current condition of the pipes and the information gathered from the landowner and township/county officials, he could not find any basis for pursuing the complaint any further. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Vipond to provide Borgen with a copy of the report and notify him that the District finds no violation. Carried.

33. Vice Chairman Wright turned the meeting over to Chairman Seykora.

34. Farmstead Ring Dikes. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$2,190 and Pay Request #1 in the amount of \$34,062.30 to Gordon Construction for the Harry Haskins Ring Dike. Carried.

35. Attorney Hanson left the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

36. November 2006 Project Team Meeting. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner to not hold a Project Team meeting in November. Carried.

37. 2006 Water Resources Development Act (WRDA). Administrator Dalen stated that the District has not received any recent communication from Congressman Collin Peterson's office, but will be contacting that office as soon as they are back from the recent election.

38. RRWMB Report. Administrator Dalen reported that Dan Wilkens offered to attend an upcoming District meeting and discuss the RRWMB projects. Manager Wright reported that Ron Harnack was selected to replace the former Dick Nelson. Wright also stated that there was considerable concern raised at the meeting from various agencies regarding the request submitted to Congressman Peterson for the WRDA bill. Wright indicated to agencies that the District has not abandoned the original projects and the Twin Valley Dam request was for a reevaluation.

39. MAWD Annual Meeting, November 30-December 1, 2006, Alexandria. A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Vipond to appoint Managers Skaurud and Spaeth as delegates and Manager Ista as alternate to the MAWD Annual Meeting. Administrator Dalen was appointed spokesman. Carried.

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40. Riceville Township, Section 6, Riceville Township. Upon a motion by Manager Spaeth and second by Manager Wagner, Permit Application #10-18-06-11 of Riceville Township to install an additional 60 inch culvert was approved without the raising of the road. The District will reimburse Riceville Township up to \$4,000, due to this being a part of Project #4, Becker Dams. Carried.

41. Blaine and Sharon Erickson, Section 30, Lockhart Township. Upon a motion by Manager Vipond and second by Manager Wagner, Permit Application #11-8-06-13 of Blaine and Sharon Erickson to replace a culvert with a larger culvert and reset the culvert at a lower elevation was tabled. Staff is authorized to investigate the ditch to determine if there is a blockage and consider as a ditch maintenance request. Carried.
42. Dwight Iverson, Section 1, Highland Grove Township. Upon a motion by Manager Vipond and second by Manager Spaeth, Permit Application #11-8-06-2 of Dwight Iverson to install drainage tile and outlet to Melby Lake and an unnamed pond was tabled. Applicant will be notified requesting a more detailed tiling plan including tile sizes and locations on an aerial photo. Carried.
43. MnDot Sections 16/21 of Wild Rice Township. Upon a motion by Manager Skaurud and second by Manager Wright, Permit Application #11-8-06-12 of MnDot to replace the bridge over the Wild Rice River in Sections 16/21 of Wild Rice Township, was tabled and will be reconsidered at the December meeting. A full set of plans will be provided by MnDot. Carried.
44. Brenda and Paul Sorenson, Section 9, Pembina Township. Upon a motion by Manager Spaeth and second by Manager Ista Permit Application #11-8-06-3 of Brenda and Paul Sorenson to install tile outlets to the county road ditch and private ditch system and the Wild Rice River was approved with the recommendation that the applicant contact Mahnomen County for approval to outlet into the county ditch system. Carried.
45. Perry Ellingson, Sections 27/34, Lee Township. Upon a motion by Manager Vipond and second by Manager Wright, Permit Application #11-8-06-4 of Perry Ellingson to replace and lower an 18 inch culvert with a longer one and replace a 24 inch culvert with a longer one was tabled pending notification of downstream landowners on the south side of the road. Carried.
46. Terry Wastweet, Section 20, Bear Park Township. Upon a motion by Manager Skaurud and second by Manager Ista, Permit Application #11-8-06-5 of Terry Wastweet to install an inlet structure on an existing culvert to create a water retention area was tabled. Administrator Dalen will meet with Wastweet and discuss the proposed project. Carried.
47. Weber Brothers, Section 26, Winchester Township. Upon a motion by Manager Spaeth and second by Manager Wright, Permit Application #11-8-06-6 of Weber Brothers to install a 24 inch culvert, replacing an existing 30 inch culvert was tabled pending notification of upstream landowners in Section 25 of Winchester Township. Carried.
48. Steve Kahlbaugh, Section 7, Rosedale Township. Upon a motion by Manager Ista and second by Manager Vipond, Permit Application #11-8-06-8 of Steve Kahlbaugh to install three water and sediment basins for erosion control in Section 7, Rosedale Township, was approved. Carried.
49. Steve Kahlbaugh, Section 16, Rosedale Township. Upon a motion by Manager Ista and second by Manager Vipond, Permit Application #11-8-06-7 of Steve Kahlbaugh to install five water and sediment basins for erosion control in Section 16 of Rosedale Township was approved with the condition that the landowner of the building site sign on the permit and the recommendation that the applicant obtains approval from the Mahnomen County to outlet into the county road ditch. Carried.

50. George Theis, Section 22, Walworth Township. Upon a motion by Manager Vipond and second by Manager Wright. Permit Application #11-8-06-10 of George Theis to reset an exiting 36 inch CMP and install a berm in Section 22 of Walworth Township was approved with the condition that the pipe is the same size, same length and installed at the same elevation. Carried.

51. City of Waubun, Section 25, Popple Grove Township. Upon a motion by Manager Skaurud and second by Manager Wagner, Permit Application #11-8-069-11 of the City of Waubun to remove a field approach and culvert and replace with a Texas crossing in Section 25 of Popple Grove Township was approved with the condition that the landowner at the crossing site and downstream to County Ditch #3 sign on the permit application. Carried.

52. Permit Investigation Costs. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing all costs associated to a permit investigation be charged to the applicant immediately upon determining the work is done prior to receiving a Watershed District permit. Carried.

53. Jerry Dahl Request for Investigation, Sections 2 and 35 of Marsh Creek Township. Mahnomen County Commissioner Jerry Dahl requested that the District investigate the possible installation of larger pipes in Sections 2 and 35 of Marsh Creek Township. Upon investigation by Mark Aanenson it was determined that there has been no change. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing staff to notify Mr. Dahl that no changes have been made in the culvert sizes. Carried.

54. Kim Syverson Request, Section 13 & 14, Ulen Township. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing staff to investigate the request by Kim Syverson to investigate a possible buried culvert or install a larger one going in an existing ditch in Sections 13 & 14 of Ulen Township. Carried.

55. RRWMB November Meeting. Managers were reminded that the next regular meeting of the RRWMB is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Tuesday November 21, 2006, at Fertile.

56. MAWD Annual Meeting. Managers reviewed the three following proposed resolutions that will be submitted to MAWD for approval: Resolution seeking legislative change to amend MS103B.221 and MS103D.271 to add additional procedures to a petition for Watershed Termination; Resolution by the Buffalo-Red Watershed District to amend Minnesota Statutes Annotated 103D315, Subd. 8 to include past Managers when they are subpoenaed to participate in litigation; and Resolution submitted by the Wild Rice Watershed District to seek statutory authority from the legislature to impose a penalty and/or fee of up to \$1,000 against persons who violate watershed district permitting rules.

57. MAWD Administrator's Meeting. Administrator Dalen reported on the MAWD Administrator's meeting that he recently attended in which the discussion centered on uniting Watershed Districts in an effort to work together in streamlining the message of Watershed Districts and supporting each other in an effort to obtain funding and connecting the dollars obtained with the mission.

58. Board Direction. Administrator Dalen presented an exercise on board direction and asked the following questions:

Do you all support the current direction of the Board?

How can we measure the success as a Watershed District Board?

The following are the reasons Managers listed as measures showing the success of the Board:

#1 Storage

#2 Repairs and Maintenance

#3 Permits

#4 Staff Performance

#5 Public Relations

Do you support the current direction of the Board?

Manager Wagner stated that he supports the direction completely but he wants to go there as fast as we can without going overboard.

Manager Wright stated that he supports the direction the Board is going.

Manager Spaeth stated that he supports following the Watershed District Plan and the direction of the Board.

Manager Seykora stated that he supports the Watershed District Plan and the direction of the board but the District needs the funding to do the projects.

Manager Skaurud stated that he supports the direction of the Board 100 percent and always has; since he has been on this Board he has seen three projects that have not been able to move forward due to various reasons.

Manager Ista stated that she supports the Watershed District Plan.

Administrator Dalen asked the question, "Do we trust each other; why and/or why not?" Dalen stated that if you have issues with each other, you need to discuss them and need to be able to ask each other things. Manager Spaeth stated that there may be disagreements with other Board members. Manager Seykora stated that all board members may disagree with another at some time. Manager Wagner stated that everyone is entitled to their own opinion. Manager Vipond stated that this Board does have an image problem as being seen by other groups.

Manager Wagner felt that the lower end of Project #42 has been overblown and felt that as much emphasis should have applied sooner to the upper sites. Manager Spaeth stated that for all the years he has been a board member, when the District has a project, the people who come to the meetings are the ones who are opposed. Administrator Dalen stated that he believed in all of the Board members and asked for their trust in his leadership.

59. District Manages as Spokesman. Administrator Dalen stated that one of the issues that has come to his attention is the fact that Norman County Commissioner Warren Olson indicated that he was getting two different types information from this board. Dalen stated that Olson and Steve Jacobson have requested a meeting with staff and a couple of Managers. Dalen suggested appointing a Manager for each County as spokesman for the Board. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Spaeth to appoint the following Managers as spokesman to their respective counties for three months: Manager Spaeth, Mahnomen, Clearwater and Polk Counties; Manager Wright, Clay County and Manager Wagner, Norman County. Carried.

60. There being no further business to come before the Board of Managers a motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Vipond to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

61. Chairman Seykora adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Diane Ista

 Diane Ista, Secretary

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Checking-CBRRV				
10/31/2006	10035	Community Bank of the RRV	FICA \ Fed W/H September	(1,140.23)
10/31/2006			Interest	12.84
11/10/2006	10065	A R C Lanes	Lunch 11/8/06	(51.06)
11/10/2006	10066	Adolph Miller	Soil Borings	(200.00)
11/10/2006	10067	Alltel Communications	Cell Phone	(4.62)
11/10/2006	10068	AmeriPride	Cleaning Services	(32.56)
11/10/2006	10069	Arvid L Ambuehl	Upper Reaches Debris Removal	(1,275.00)
11/10/2006	10070	Christian Excavating	Sec 33, Reese Twp	(1,525.24)
11/10/2006	10071	Chuck Hopwood	Soil Boring Easements	(400.00)
11/10/2006	10072	City of Ada	Utilities	(174.66)
11/10/2006	10073	Clifford Hanson Inc	Soil Boring Easements	(500.00)
11/10/2006	10074	David Vipond	Per Diem	(130.27)
11/10/2006	10075	Debbie Ruebke	Soil Boring Easements	(200.00)
11/10/2006	10076	Diane Ista	Per Diem	(195.41)
11/10/2006	10077	Eggen Heating & Air Conditioning	Furnace Repair	(260.00)
11/10/2006	10078	Ernie Hilde	Soil Boring Easements	(200.00)
11/10/2006	10079	G R Graphics-Maintenance	Copier agreement/scanner agreement	(189.04)
11/10/2006	10080	Geray Dozing	Pay Req #3, Green Meadow	(47,573.86)
11/10/2006	10081	Gordon Construction	Haskins Ring dike	(37,793.30)
11/10/2006	10082	Herman & Lenora Lee	Soil Borings	(200.00)
11/10/2006	10083	Houston Engineering, Inc	Oct Engineering Fees	(60,269.96)
11/10/2006	10084	HSBC Business Solutions	office supplies	(201.40)
11/10/2006	10085	Index Printing Inc.	Subscription & Proj #42	(199.00)
11/10/2006	10086	James Wagner Sr-Mgr	per diem	(347.40)
11/10/2006	10087	James Wagner, Sr	Beaver Control & Beaver Dam Removal	(1,260.70)
11/10/2006	10088	Jim Skaurud	per diem	(173.70)
11/10/2006	10089	Joe Spaeth	per diem	(130.27)
11/10/2006	10090	Kenny Dahl	Soil Borings	(100.00)
11/10/2006	10091	Kris Versdahl	Web Site	(614.00)
11/10/2006	10092	KRJB Radio	Radio Ads	(300.00)
11/10/2006	10093	Landwehr Construction, Inc.	Heiberg Request #7	(13,948.97)
11/10/2006	10094	Loretel Systems	Utilities	(367.07)
11/10/2006	10095	Marcussen Accounting	Oct Billings	(530.00)
11/10/2006	10096	Mary Ann Quick	Soil Borings	(400.00)
11/10/2006	10097	Menholt Farms	soil boring	(100.00)
11/10/2006	10098	Midwest Testing Lab	Soil Borings	(44,069.35)
11/10/2006	10099	Neil Johnson	Soil Borings	(100.00)
11/10/2006	10100	Norman County Auditor/Treasurer	Plat Books	(94.65)
11/10/2006	10101	Norman County Hwy Department	Sign Posts	(52.42)
11/10/2006	10102	Norman County SWCD	Maps	(6.00)
11/10/2006	10103	North Star Water	Water/Office	(43.50)
11/10/2006	10104	Office Supplies Plus	Color Toner	(218.31)
11/10/2006	10105	PERA	Nov Managers	(225.98)

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11/10/2006	10106	Phyllis Long	Borrow Site	(6,300.00)
11/10/2006	10107	Ralph's Food Pride	Lunch Supplies	(78.00)
11/10/2006	10108	Renae Kappes	Cleaning Services	(60.00)
11/10/2006	10109	Rinke Noonan	Upper Reaches Legal	(507.50)
11/10/2006	10110	Robert E Wright	per diem	(130.27)
11/10/2006	10111	Rodney Erickson	Lawn Mowing & Trimming	(67.50)
11/10/2006	10112	Stewart Bjorhus	Soil Boring	(100.00)
11/10/2006	10113	The Shopper	Proj #42	(170.00)
11/10/2006	10114	The Union	Proj #42	(232.00)
11/10/2006	10115	Tim Halle	Press Release & Proj #42 & An Report	(862.00)
11/10/2006	10116	Twin Valley Times	Proj #42 ads	(139.20)
11/10/2006	10117	Unicel	Cell Phone	(84.49)
11/10/2006	10118	Wambach & Hanson	Oct Billings	(4,018.37)
11/10/2006	10119	Warren J. Seykora	per diem	(599.26)
11/10/2006	10044	David Vipond	mileage	(46.28)
11/10/2006	10045	James Wagner Sr-Mgr	mileage	(39.18)
11/10/2006	10046	Jim Skaurud	mileage	(53.40)
11/10/2006	10047	Joe Spaeth	mileage	(58.74)
11/10/2006	10048	Robert E Wright	mileage	(35.60)
11/10/2006	10049	Warren J. Seykora	mileage\reimb exp	<u>(635.89)</u>
				(230,002.77)