

APPROVED (April 15, 2013)
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
MIDDLE- SNAKE-TAMARAC RIVERS WATERSHED DISTRICT
HELD AT 453 NORTH MCKINLEY STREET, WARREN, MN
4:00 P.M. April 1, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Roger Hille. Managers John W Nelson, David Bakke, Doug Sorenson, Marvin Hedlund and Alvin Nybladh were present. Manager Ben Kleinwachter was not present. Nick Drees, Danny Omdahl, Heidi Hughes, Tony Nordby, John Novak and Rolland Miller were present. Red Lake Managers Lee Coe, Orville Knott, Albert Mandt, Gene Tiedemann and Administrator Myron Jesme were also present.

In the absence of Connie Kujawa, Danny Omdahl assumed the duties of Recording Secretary for the meeting.

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Mr. John W Nelson motioned, Mr. Marvin Hedlund seconded that, that the minutes of the March 25, 2013 meeting, be approved, as corrected. Motion unanimously carried.

The Joint Meeting with the Red Lake Watershed District began.

- a. There was a discussion of Project 60, which is located at the Grand Marais River.
- b. The River will have a MPCA WRAP study, which is a Watershed Restoration and Protection study to determine if the river meets state standards for aquatic health.
- c. There was a discussion of tile and general permitting.
- d. Potential spring flooding and operational plans were discussed.
- e. A discussion of MPCA Total Daily Maximum Load studies took place.
- f. Boundaries between the Districts were discussed.
- g. Potential land rent was discussed for project maintenance funds.

No action was taken on the following permit as more information needs to be obtained:

1. Permit (13-006) Helgeland Township to remove a failing township road centerline culvert and install the same size culvert at the same elevation in the SW4 of section 31 Helgeland Township.

Communications were reviewed concerning the March 26-27 Flood Damage Reduction Work Group Conference in Moorhead MN and the MN Viewers Association.

Heidi Hughes, Agassiz Audubon Manager, said Bill Blackburn will be back to perform Agassiz Valley grassland and wetland surveys. More bird study projects will take place. She is also going to apply for a Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources grant.

Nick Drees said that DNR representatives were here to discuss the design of the coulee cleanout for the Agassiz Valley outlet.

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Nick Drees reported that the NRCS Area Office staff will consult with State Office staff concerning native prairie seeding of the Brandt Angus Coulee WRP; operation of the project was discussed as was gate operations.

Nick Drees commented on the Tamarac River Project Work Team meeting; more letters to individuals will be sent out; the DNR is contemplating modifying the Nelson Slough Operation and Maintenance Plan.

Nick Drees said the Red River Water Management Board is considering scheduling their April 16 meeting in Warren so that a tour of Agassiz Valley and the Richard P Nelson Floodway can be carried out.

Nick Drees reported on the PRO agreement.

The next regular meetings were scheduled for April 15, 2013 and May 6, 2013, at 4:00 p.m., at the District office.

By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:52 p.m.

Danny Omdahl
Recording Secretary

Marvin Hedlund
Secretary