



WESTLAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

MEETING: #53

Alonsa Community Hall

August 7th, 2024 @9:00am

Call to Order: 9:10 am

Present:

Walter Tymchuk	-	Sub-District 107(L), Board Member – <i>Chaired meeting</i>
Harry Harris	-	Sub-District 107(A), Sub-District Member
Ken Dunn	-	Sub-District 110, Board Member
Roger Smith	-	Sub-District 110, Sub-District Member
Barry Heppner	-	Sub-District 157(M), Sub-District Member
Barry Sliworsky	-	Sub-District 157(M), Board Member
Fred Shurko	-	Sub-District 157(L), Sub-District Member
Ernest Smadella	-	Sub-District 157, Member at large
Colin Mailman	-	Sub-District 113, Board Member
Tim Stott	-	Sub-District 160, Board Member
David Senkowski	-	Provincial Representative
Lindsay Cherpín	-	District Manager
Cary Anderson	-	District Administrator

Absent regrets:

Bobby Bennett	-	Provincial Watershed Planner
Tom Anderson	-	Board Chairman
Cameron Anger	-	Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
Neil Preston	-	Sub-District 107 (L) - Sub-District Member

1. **Resolution #528 – AUGUST2024**

Be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as presented.

Smadella - Sliworsky
CARRIED

2. **Resolution #529 – AUGUST2024**

Be it resolved that the **July 3rd, 2024** Meeting Minutes be approved as presented and attached.

Dunn - Stott
CARRIED

3. **Financial Reports**

(a) **Resolution #530 – AUGUST2024**

Be it resolved that the **July 2024 cheque list** be approved as presented and **ATTACHED**.
CARRIED

Dunn - Senkowski

(b) **Income Statement** – Presented to the Board

(c) **Budget explanation** – Administrator explained that while going through last year's minutes it was recognized that a few board members had questioned where some budgeted funds had gone. The administrator did not realize the board had questions and apologized for not clearly explaining the budget and making sure that everyone understood. The last 3-year budgets had been presented to the board to explain the process from year to year. The board members that had questions in previous minutes had stated that they do now understand. It was asked at that time if everyone understood or had any questions. A few more questions had been asked and answered. The administrator stated if you have any questions at all please continue to ask.

4. **Resolution #522 – JULY/AUGUST2024**

Dunn-Senkowski

Be it resolved that the district's 2023-2024 year Financial Statement Audit be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

5. **Delegations** - Ron Erlendson, Lonely Lake crossing (Lonely Lake crossing had previous resolution TABLED that read the following)

Resolution #345 – FEBRUARY2023

Mailman – Heppner

Be it resolved that the district repair the Lonely Lake low level crossing. TABLED for more information.

- Ron explained that the culverts in place at this time are caving in on the Lonely Lake drain. Steel should maybe be placed on the south side. Ducks unlimited had an agreement with him to complete the Lonely Lake Drain. They had agreed to put in a crossing and maintain it. Ducks unlimited have now abandoned the project. It was suggested by Ron to somehow place cement across the culverts to possibly hold them in place and for the erosion issue from the high volume of water. Any water over the 6" wash out the crossing. He believes in the past they had 5 x 24" culverts in place. Will have to check back in files or with Ducks Unlimited to verify. There was 3 x 36 put in place for emergency during the last flood and a thorough engineered plan was done through emergency measures, initiated by the RM of Alonsa. The culverts that have been placed for emergency are now damaged. This crossing was used to detour highway traffic when bridge was shut down due to recent accident.
- The manager indicated that there are culverts in the yard that can be used for a temporary fix until we figure out the options that the district has. Will contact the provincial engineer and look back at what was put in place by Ducks Unlimited. Will also question if this is sufficient for possible highway traffic as well as fish passage.

6. **Provincial Update** – July - August update, July update presented to the board. Did not receive the August update at this time. The Provincial planner was unable to attend the meeting.

7. **Business Arising from Past Meetings**

(a) **Crossing Policy – What did the board agree to for the crossing width?**

Resolution #531 – AUGUST2024

Stott - Smadella

Be it resolved that the **Crossing Policy** read under **New crossing installs**. 30' top minimum to a max of 40' subject to board approval.

Removal of all wooden structures and replace with pipe, from policy specifications.

Extension requests are at the discretion of the board.

CARRIED

8. **New Business -**

(a) **Email resolutions**

Resolution #524 –JULY/AUGUST2024 (Emailed resolution)

Stott - Mailman

Be it resolved that a contractor be hired to clean out a beaver dam on the Harcus Rd 11-20-11. Not to exceed \$800.00 to be charged to Sub-District 160

CARRIED

Resolution #525 –JULY/AUGUST2024 (Emailed resolution)

Tymchuk - Stott

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District provide downstream landowner consent to the proposed drainage plan from the RM of Lakeshore, that would continue to contribute water to the Rorketon Drain, via a through-grade crossing at 13-28-16-W1, Road 91W. *CARRIED*

- (b) **Jack Pine Park garbage and out house** – Garbage container and reusable bag damage by a bear. Presented replacement container prices to the board. Our house has a big hole dug in the ground around the bottom side.

Resolution #532 – AUGUST2024**Dunn - Harris**

Be it resolved that the district purchase the double garbage bins that were presented to the board from Home Depot for Jack Pine and Preston Park. This is to include the removal of existing disposal system and filling the hole with gravel and establish concrete base, funds to come from Tier 2.

CARRIED**(c) Office photocopier proposal – Presented to the board as attached****Resolution #533 – AUGUST2024****Smadella - Stott**

Be it resolved that the district chooses **Option 1** Proposal for the Westlake Watershed District photocopier lease agreement.

CARRIED**9. Board Member Items/MAW Report –**

MAW Report – Reminder of August 14th & 15 MAW Tour. Will be attending

Sub-District 110(Smith) – Attended both Westlake Watershed District GROW Tour workshops, very pleased with how informative they were. Was happy to be able to attend.

Sub-District 157 (M) – Wondering about surveying, what is the process that the district is using and where are we at. The manager indicated that there is a priority list given to our technician, taking into consideration carry over requests from previous years. List provided to the board in the managers' report.

Sub-District 157 (L) – Please call board member upon site visits for beaver dam Rd. 98 (NW 14-28-17)

- Weiden 364 needs spoil pile leveling
- Weiden Dr brushing & mowing need to get done on East & West. Brian Preston working on the East.

Sub-District 157 (M) – Would like to keep the bird seed program. Well received in the RM of Mossey.

Sub-District 110 – Would like to get hydro put into the district compound before winter to plug in district vehicles as well as have hydro to be able to use in the district garage.

- Mulch Rd 130 and Rd 278 brushing
- Seed Garrioch Creek
- Birdina Rd needs survey done as soon as possible.
- Pipe size for Ryzners, manager will contact Ken R for update

Sub-District 160 – North Leifer has 6 beaver dams

- Lonespruce culvert removal, installation and beaver deceiver will be posted shortly.

Sub-District 107(L) – Need RFQ for Highfield and Rd 169

- Horyn spoil pile leveling has been completed, would like to get contractor to seed what is done.

10. Manager Report –**Resolution #526 – JULY/AUGUST 2024****Dunn - Senkowksi**

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District accept the tender from A. Moriaux Construction in the amount of \$17,750.00 plus taxes of \$887.50, to replace the Rocklan Drain crossing with the Alonsa Community Pasture at the intersection of Road 116N and 64W, as licensed by WRL 2024-WCW-0078 and specifications provided by Westlake Watershed District. Funds for this project are to come from Sub-district #110. **CARRIED**

Resolution #527– JULY/AUGUST 2024**Dunn - Stott**

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District accept the tender from A. Moriaux Construction in the amount of \$23,350.00 plus taxes of \$1,167.50, to replace the Garrioch Creek Drain Crossing at the intersection of Roads 120N and 66W, as licensed by WRL 2023-WCW-0297 and specifications provided by Westlake Watershed District. Funds for this project are to come from Sub-district #110.

CARRIED

Resolution #534 – AUGUST2024

Be it resolved that the board approve Tatianna’a (District GROW Coordinator) vacation request for August 12th – 16th, 2024

Stott - Smith

CARRIED

Resolution #535 –AUGUST 2024

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District Manager send a letter of support of MAW to lead the development of project plan in response to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada’s Agriculture Climate Solutions: On-Farm Climate Action Fund expansion phase project.

Smadella - Senkowksi

CARRIED

11. **Correspondence – Watershed District Expansion announcement**

12. **Next Meeting Date – Possibly Wednesday, September 4th, 2024 at 9am in the Lawrence Community Hall**

TABLED -

District Chair

District Administrator