



WESTLAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

MEETING: #63

Alonsa Rec Centre – Curling Rink

August 6th, 2025 @9:00am

Call to Order at 9:00am

Present:

Tom Anderson	- Board Chairman
David Senkowski	- Provincial Representative
Ken Dunn	- Sub-District 110, Board Member
Roger Smith	- Sub-District 110, Sub-District Member
Walter Tymchuk	- Sub-District 107(L), Board Member
Rick Paradis	- Sub-District 107(L) & 157 Sub-District Member
Harry Harris	- Sub-District 107(A), Sub-District Member
Ernest Smadella	- Sub-District 157, Board Member
Barry Heppner	- Sub-District 157(M), Board Member
Barry Sliworsky	- Sub-District 157(M), Member at-large
Ron Erlendson	- Sub-District 113, Board Member
Lindsay Cherpin	- District Manager
Cary Anderson	- District Administrator

Absent regrets:

Bobby Bennett	- Provincial Watershed Planner
Tim Stott	- Sub-District 160, Board Member
Cameron Anger	- Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
Richard Callander	- Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
Kristopher Egilson	- Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member

1. Resolution #657 - AUGUST 2025

Be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as presented

Smadella - Tymchuk

CARRIED

2. Resolution #658 - AUGUST 2025

Be it resolved that the **July 2nd, 2025** Meeting Minutes be approved as presented and *ATTACHED*.

Paradis - Heppner

CARRIED

3. Financial Reports

(a) July cheque list

Resolution #659 – AUGUST 2025

Be it resolved that the **July 2025 cheque list** be approved as presented and *ATTACHED*.

Dunn - Senkowski

CARRIED

(b) Income Statement/2025-2026 Budget up to date, Abandon wells Budget

- Due to the district not receiving any resumes for the Green Team positions. Green Team Manitoba, has approved Brady Stott's employee profile as a Green Team employee, therefore there will be budgeted funds available that have been budgeted for his wages. During this time, the district has received 7 abandoned well applications and \$5,000 was budgeted for abandon well applications.

Resolution #660 – AUGUST 2025

Smadella - Senkowski

Be it resolved that \$5,500 budgeted funds in Tier 1 under Staff Expenses/General Laborer be allocated to Tier 2 Drinking Water Protection/Abandon well sealing. (\$5,000(Budgeted)+ \$5,500 (Additional allocation)= \$10,500)

CARRIED

Resolution #661 – AUGUST 2025

Smadella - Senkowski

Be it resolved that the submitted 7 abandon well applications be approved up to \$1,500 per application. Any expenses incurred over this amount are to be covered by the applicant.

CARRIED

(c) **Sub-District amounts** – Presented to the board. The board indicated that they are not happy with the format that is being used, it is very confusing and unclear where sub-district budgets are being spent. Board asked administrator to contact other infrastructure district administrators to see how this is presented to their boards. The board discussed and agreed to look at it as RM's instead of Sub-districts.

4. In-camera/Delegation –

The board moved in-camera

9:53 **Smadella - Harris**

The board moved out of camera

10:06 **Dunn - Paradis**

5. **Provincial Update** - August 2025 update. Provincial Rep unable to attend meeting. Did not receive an August update for the meeting, due to byelections for Spruce Woods in Winnipeg.

6. Business Arising from Previous Meetings

(a) No business arising from previous meetings

7. New Business –

(a) **Email resolutions**/Special Meetings –

Resolution #654 – JULY/AUGUST 2025

Stott - Dunn

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District hire SRJ Rentals, an approved contractor for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, at the approved hourly rate to complete mulching on North Leifer drain, not to exceed \$8,035.00, including GST. Funds to come from SD 160 (Kinosota ridge)

CARRIED

Resolution #655 – JULY/AUGUST 2025

Sliworsky - Stott

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District hire contractor, Dyck Construction, at the approved tender contract hourly rate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to clean out Weiden drain from Meadowlands N Road to SE-12-30-17, as specified by survey. Funds to come from SD 157M, not to exceed \$20,000.00.

CARRIED

Resolution #656 – JULY/AUGUST 2025

Sliworsky - Stott

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District hire contractor, Foster Contracting, at the approved tender contract hourly rate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to mulch vegetation on the bank of Weiden drain to provide access for staking and equipment, from Hwy 269 to SE-12-30-17, as specified by WLWD. Funds to come from SD 157M, not to exceed \$10,000.00.

CARRIED

(b) **Alonsa Rec-Center for meetings –**

Resolution #662 – AUGUST 2025

Dunn - Smith

Be it resolved that the district offers a contribution in the amount of \$400 to the Alonsa Curling Club in lieu of room rental to hold 4 board meetings on their premises.*CARRIED*

8. **Manager Report** – Presented to the board

9. Reports of Committees/Board Member Items/MAW Report – Presented to the board

Sub-district 157(L) – There is a beaver blockage on north of 364. Would like the district drone to be flown to look at the extent of beaver dams in that area.

Sub-district 107(L) – Spence Lake committee is having a difficult time to schedule meeting. Have not been able to come to an agreement on a meeting date.

- Horyn Dr west beaver dam, would like the drone to also fly down this drain to see the extent of the beaver dams in this area.

Sub-district 110 – Would like to look at who the recommendations come from for crossings. Manager mentioned the recommendations come from water rights license branch.

- Wondering how Birdina data is going, need to hold a landowner meeting sooner then later. Would like to fix or replace culvert that has come apart on Birdina road and received temporary fix, after the harvest is done.
- Would like to contact Reedy Creek Construction to complete brushing project along highway 278 that was unable to get done last year due to signage requirements.
- Would like to place the garbage bins at Preston park before the end of the year. The board discussed and suggested to go with 24 by 30 patio blocks for the foundation under bins rather than pouring cement. Will try to arrange to get this done before General Labourer is done.

Resolution #663 – AUGUST 2025

Tymchuk - Paradis

Be it resolved that the district purchase and place the number of 24 by 30 patio blocks needed for the foundation of the new Preston park garbage bins.

CARRIED

Sub-District 157(M) – Has the drone been flown down the Weiden Dr?. Would like to see the video if this has been done.

MAW Report was presented to the board in a slide show. Printed and *ATTACHED*.

10. Information and Correspondence –

- Thank you letter from the Rorketon School
- Manitoba Watershed District Program Annual Report 2023-2024 copies will be available at the office

11. Next Meeting Date - Possibly **September 3rd, 2025, in the Lawrence Community Center @9am**

Meeting Adjourned at 11:45 by Walter Tymchuk

TABLED - High Pressure water tool for beaver dams (May 2025)

District Chair

District Administrator