



WESTLAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

MEETING: #67

Alonsa Curling Rink Rec. Center

February 4th, 2026 @12:00pm

Call to Order at 12:28pm – Chairperson Tom Anderson

Present:

Tom Anderson	-	Board Chairman
David Senkowski	-	Provincial Representative
Ken Dunn	-	Sub-District 110, Board Member
Cameron Anger	-	Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
Ron Erlendson	-	Sub-District 113, Board Member
Walter Tymchuk	-	Sub-District 107(L), Board Member
Harry Harris	-	Sub-District 107(A), Sub-District Member
Adam Meyers	-	Sub-District 157, Board Member
Barry Sliworsky	-	Sub-District 157(M), Member at-large
Barry Heppner	-	Sub-District 157(M), Sub-district member
Bobby Bennett	-	Provincial Watershed Planner
Lindsay Cherpin	-	District Manager
Joy Dubois	-	Acting District Administrator

Absent regrets:

Tim Stott	-	Sub-District 160, Board Member
Rick Paradis	-	Sub-District 107(L) & 157 Sub-District Member
Roger Smith	-	Sub-District 110, Sub-District Member
Richard Callander	-	Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member

Sub-District 160 Elections – Tabled (quorum not available)

Sub-District 160 Kinosota Ridge

- The RM of Alonsa council has appointed **Tim Stott** and **Cam Anger** to this sub-district.
- The RM of Westlake Gladstone council has appointed **Kris Eglison** and **Richard Callander**

Open nominations for Kinosota Ridge Sub-District 160

Do we have a nomination to nominate 1 of these members to be the board chair representative

Nominee: **ACCEPTED or DECLINED**

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Cease nominations for Sub-District 160

Kinosota Ridge Sub-District 160 Chair:

Review GROW Committee Membership

- Mike Brown and Kris Eglison have stepped down from the GROW Committee
- This is a volunteer committee, with appointments for MNR and Municipality of Westlake-Gladstone
- Maintain committee structure as volunteer

1. Resolution #707 - FEBRUARY 2026

Be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as presented

Erlendson - Tymchuk

CARRIED

2. Resolution #708 - FEBRUARY 2026

Be it resolved that the **January 7th 2026** Meeting Minutes be approved as presented and **ATTACHED**.

Meyers - Dunn

CARRIED

3. **Financial Reports**

(a) **Resolution #709 - JANUARY 2026**

Dunn - Senkowski

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

CARRIED

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

(c) **Sub-District amounts/Bank Statement** - Presented to the board

4. **Provincial Update** – Review January and February 2026 provincial updates

5. **Business Arising from Previous Meetings**

(a) **Bluff Creek Title Change** – Wait for more information. Manager to contact lawyer TABLED

6. **New Business –**

(a) **Notice of Motion** – (**Resolution #710**)

Dunn - Senkowski

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District rescind Resolution #689 – October 2025.

(b) **Review of Project Final Values**

2025-2026 Final Project Values	
Res#	Final Value (excluding GST)
630	\$ 20,000.00
633	\$ 1,447.37
643	\$ 548.71
645	\$ 300.00
646	\$ 9,270.00
647	\$ 4,372.50
652	\$ 300.00
654	\$ 6,700.00
655	\$ 2,700.00
656	\$ 1,180.00
664	\$ 10,000.00
665	\$ 3,750.00
672	\$ 4,122.57
673	\$ 600.00
674	\$ 10,735.00
676	\$ 1,650.00
677	\$ 450.00
678	\$ 16,545.00
679	\$ 1,610.00
680	\$ 5,000.00
681	\$ 1,575.00
695	\$ 20,000.00
696	\$ 18,950.00
694	\$ 560.00

8. **Manager Report –**

(a) **Weiden Drain** – response from letters to Ministers Kostyshyn, Simard and Moyes was to have Provincial Watershed Planner notify the board that the only option to move forward with working on Weiden drain is to pursue licencing on the drain, as Weiden Drain was never designated as an order in council drain. This means that the Manitoba Government did not take easement on the drain when it was constructed.

- ↳ It is a board decision for the Manager to pursue licencing of Weiden Drain
- ↳ Plan meeting with Provincial Watershed Planner, Crown Lands and Senior Water Rights Officer to define steps going forward
- ↳ Keep board posted at 2 weeks regarding movement in this process

(b) **Resolution #711 – FEBRUARY 2026**

Dunn - Erlendson

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District approve payment of expenses related to the Manager's meetings in Elkhorn, March 2026.

CARRIED

(c) **Resolution #712 – FEBRUARY 2026**

Senkowski - Meyers

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District approve payment of expenses related to the Administrator's meetings in March 2026.

CARRIED

(d) **Heidelberg Materials** – reviewed recent correspondence re: Drainage Licence Proposal

- ↳ WLWD will notify Heidelberg that the district is will not approve addition of water to North Leifer drain without seeing a copy of the licence application within 60 days of receiving the letter; also, WLWD will repair the cut in the drain allowing water from Heidelberg Materials property to access North Leifer drain without approval and will submit bill to Heidelberg Materials and file a complaint with the province. Will submit photos of the unauthorized works including the cut and rocks left in the drain. This will be reviewed with Senior Water Rights Officer.
- ↳ Follow up with Water Quality Section to review water sample results from the quarry

(e) **Advertising for Annual Tender Contract for Hourly Rates** – reviewed advertising options with the board

Resolution #713 – FEBRUARY 2026

Meyers - Sliworsky

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District advertise for the annual Tender Contract for Hourly Rates in the Dauphin Herald/Parkland Shopper @ \$69/week and the Neepawa Banner @ \$84.70/week starting the last week of February and running until the last week of March.

CARRIED

(f) **EMAIL Resolution #714 – JANUARY 2026**

Paradis - Dunn

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District submit a Drainage Licence Application for reconstruction of the Manipogo Drain. Funds for this project to come from RM of Lakeshore (Sub-district 107L), not to exceed \$500 plus GST.

CARRIED

(g) Discussion regarding district budget and requirements to submit deviation requests. There are unexpended funds remaining in Tier 1 due to less staff than budgeted for and Tier 2 due to contractor not completing abandoned well sealing projects (due to holdup with licencing renewal). It is proposed to deviate up to \$45,000.00 from Tier 1 to Tier 3 and deviate \$10,500.00 from Tier 2 to Tier 3.

Resolution #715 – FEBRUARY 2026

Senkowski – Dunn

Whereas the Westlake Watershed District board would like to deviate from the 2025- 2026 interim/final budget and has reviewed and approves the deviation of up to \$45,000.00 from Tier 1 to Tier 3, as described in budget deviation request. Therefore be it resolved that the Westlake Watershed District requests that Watershed Districts and Programs Section approve the budget deviation request.

CARRIED

Resolution #716 – FEBRUARY 2026

Erlendson - Meyers Whereas

the Westlake Watershed District board would like to deviate from the 2025- 2026 interim/final budget and has reviewed and approves the deviation of up to \$10,500.00 from Tier 1 to Tier 3, as described in budget deviation request. Therefore be it resolved that the Westlake Watershed District requests that Watershed Districts and Programs Section approve the budget deviation request.

CARRIED

9. **Reports of Committees/Board Member Items/MAW Report**

Sub-District 157M (Heppner)

- Reminded board that allocated funds for 157M in 2025 that were unspent and used elsewhere will be able to be spent in 2026 in 157M (not expended due to lack of OIC designation on Weiden drain, therefore work delayed by licencing process)

Sub-District 157L

- Noted that Hamlin drain needs dyke culverts and gates replaced; manager noted that this has been inventoried and is on the works list; several priority projects are ahead of this work

Sub-District 113

- Beavers in drain on Delanois land – is the under Westlake jurisdiction? (It is not);
- Update on Lonely Lake design – manager noted that when data is processed it will be sent to provincial engineer for design

Sub-District 110

- Would like to licence work on Iris Drain

EMAIL Resolution #717 – FEBRUARY 2026

Dunn - Sliworsky

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District submit a Drainage Licence Application for reconstruction of the Iris Drain. Funds for this project to come from RM of Alonsa (Sub-district 110), not to exceed \$500 plus GST.

CARRIED

- Garrett Cameron update – none received at this time

Sub-District 157M (Sliworsky)

- Review that licencing for Weiden will be applied for with the whole drain under onellicence (deeded and crown land)

WLWD Coats and Shirts for New Board Members and Staff

- Reminder to everyone to submit sizing to the office for order

10. **Information and Correspondence –**

- Mossey River Municipality – request for monetary donation or prize for AMM Bonspiel
 - WLWD will supply lunch kit, hat and possibly a bag of bird seed

Next Meeting Date: March 4th, 2026 in the Lawrence Community Center (Rorketon) at 12pm with Lunch

Meeting Adjourned at 2:505 pm by *Walter Tymchuk*

TABLED - Bluff Creek Church (January 2026)

District Chair

District Administrator