



## WESTLAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

MEETING: #61

Lawrence Community Centre

June 4<sup>th</sup>, 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
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 Sliworsky	- Sub-District 157(M), Member at-large
Barry Heppner	- Sub-District 157(M), Board Member
Ron Erlendson	- Sub-District 113, Board Member
Lindsay Cherpin	- District Manager
Cary Anderson	- District Administrator
Bobby Bennett	- Provincial Watershed Planner

### Absent regrets:

Roger Smith	- Sub-District 110, Sub-District Member
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 #634 - JUNE 2025**

Be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as amended

**Smadella - Stott**

*CARRIED*

#### 2. **Resolution #635 - JUNE 2025**

Be it resolved that the **May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025** Meeting Minutes be approved as presented and *ATTACHED*.

**Erlendson - Harris**

*CARRIED*

#### 3. **Financial Reports**

(a) May cheque list

##### **Resolution #636 – JUNE 2025**

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

**Dunn - Senkowski**

*CARRIED*

(b) Income Statement – Presented to the board

(c) Letter from the Minister in regard to 2025-2026 Financial Budget

##### **Resolution #637 – JUNE 2025**

Be it resolved that the *ATTACHED* 2025-2026 Financial Budget be approved as presented.

**Dunn - Senkowski**

*CARRIED*

4. **In-camera/Delegation** - No in camera or delegations at this time

5. **Provincial Update** - Provincial Planner presented June 2025 update to the board

6. **Business Arising from Past Meetings**

(a) **District park clarification for maintenance -**

**Resolution #638 - JUNE 2025**

**Dunn - Senkowski**

Be it resolved that the District Green Team or General Labourer are responsible for maintaining the park around the office.

*CARRIED*

(b) **Contractor hourly rates -**

**Resolution #639 - JUNE 2025**

**Senkowski - Erlendson**

Be it resolved that the board accepts the 2 submitted contractors hourly rates that have been presented to the board as ATTACHED.

*CARRIED*

7. **New Business -**

**Email resolutions/Special Meetings -**

**Resolution #630 - MAY/JUNE 2025**

**Stott - Dunn**

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District hire contractor, SRJ Rentals Ltd., at the approved tender contract hourly rate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to mulch North Leifer Drain from the Lake Manitoba outlet to Highway 50, and remove any beaver dams in the drain, in accordance with Muskrat House, Beaver Dam and/or Beaver Lodge Removal Authorization. Funds to come from SD 160, not to exceed \$20,000.00.

*CARRIED*

**Resolution #631 - MAY/JUNE 2025**

**Stott - Paradis**

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District, in addition to **Resolution #393**, pay \$30.00 per month for District staff personal cell phone use for work purposes, including General Labourers and Green Team. NOTE: Staff are not permitted to sit on there phone.

*CARRIED*

- **(Resolution #393 – AUGUST 2023**

**Senkowski - Smadella**

Be it resolved that the Westlake Watershed District pay \$30.00 per month for District Staff (Administrator, Technician, Grow Coordinator) personal cell phone usage.

\*\*Administrator and Technician – Westlake Watershed District – Utilities

\*\*Grow Coordinator – Grow Administration & Overhead

*CARRIED*)

**Resolution #632 - MAY/JUNE 2025**

**Stott - Heppner**

~~Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District purchase a used 35' power pole from H&K Lumber for \$50 for opening plugged culverts and hire Ken Zalluski, at the approved tender contract hourly rate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to pick up the pole. Funds for this project to come from sub-district Kinosota Ridge, not to exceed \$400.00.~~

Be it resolved this motion be **RECINDED** for further information.

- Will update board

**Resolution #633 - MAY/JUNE 2025**

**Stott - Heppner**

Be it also resolved that Westlake Watershed District hire contractor, Ken Zalluski, at the approved tender contract hourly rate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to open culverts on Lone Spruce Road (Amaranth Drain), Road 110 and Harcus Drain, and remove a beaver dam on road 116, N-11-20-11-W1.

*CARRIED*

## 8. Manager Report -

### • Resolution #640 - JUNE 2025

Dunn - Senkowski

Be it resolved that Rick Paradis and Bryan Preston be designated trappers for the sub-district 107 & 157.

*CARRIED*

- Letter received from the Heidelberg Materials
  - Regarding, Amaranth Quarry Water Control Works Application (No. 42144) Downstream User Consent. Water flows into North Leifer Drain.
  - Manager to reply to the letter and request more information such as a more thorough report with water quality results and defined water quantity and location. Along with an engineered report. The board is willing to meet on site.
- Will look into inverters for the district trucks and battery packs for portable equipment
- No contractor showed up for onsite meeting and so far, we did not receive any tenders for Highfield Dr. project which will be closed at 4:30 today
  - The board would like the sub-district members to move forward with hiring one of the contractors who submitted their hourly rates to the district

## 9. Board Member Items/MAW Report -

### MAW Report -

- MAW Annual Tour July 8 & 9<sup>th</sup>
- There are 9 positions and 4 are vacant with another one leaving shortly. Please bear with the staff shortage and changes.
- Sorry to report that Walter McTavish from Redboine Watershed board has passed away, Walter was a very involved member and will be missed.

### Sub-District 157(M) -

- Because it is so dry we should have emergency plans in place in case of a fire during mowing/brushing projects.
- Would like to follow through with plans to get a district hourly rate contractor to go in and start brushing/mulching the Weiden Dr.

**Sub-District 107(L)** - There is still a concern on South Horyn Dr.

### Sub-District 110 -

- Garbage bins still need to be installed at Preston Park. This will be a lot more involved than at Jack pine. Need to install cement pad. Would like to make a plan to get this done maybe after Green Team students are hired
- Would like to set up landowner meeting for Birdina Dr. area as soon as possible.
- Would like to remove crossing on Rd 130 at NE-22-22-11-W1, does not appear to be used. This crossing is blocking the drain and the condition of the integrity of the RM road is being effected.

### Resolution #641 – JUNE 2025

Dunn - Senkowski

Be it resolved that an hourly rate contractor be hired to remove the unused crossing on Rd. 130 at NE-22-22-11-W

*CARRIED*

- Would like to go ahead and approach MIT about the crossing on highway 50 and enquire about cost sharing the work to replace it
- Lack of engineering support is impeding on the district works.

**Sub-District 107(L) -**

- Concerns have been raised in regard to the contractors being responsible for cable locates.
- Horyn Dr. approach, is it still necessary to do survey?

**10. Correspondence -**

- Manitoba Beef Producers Environmental Stewardship Award
- AMM Insurance Program Fire Protection Emergency Plan
- Water Availability and Drought Conditions Report for April 2025

**11. Next Meeting Date - Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 in the Alonsa Rec. Curling Rink @9am**

Meeting Adjourned at 1:35 by Walter Tymchuk

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

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**District Chair**

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**District Administrator**