



WESTLAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

MEETING: #57

Lawrence Community Centre

January 6th, 2025 @1:00pm

Call to Order: 12:57 pm

Present:	Tom Anderson	-	Board Chairman
	Walter Tymchuk	-	Sub-District 107(L), Board Member
	Harry Harris	-	Sub-District 107(A), Sub-District Member
	Tim Stott	-	Sub-District 160, Board Member
	Cameron Anger	-	Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
	Ken Dunn	-	Sub-District 110, Board Member
	Roger Smith	-	Sub-District 110, Sub-District Member
	Barry Heppner	-	Sub-District 157(M), Board Member
	Ernest Smadella	-	Sub-District 157, Member at large
	Barry Sliworsky	-	Sub-District 157(M), Board Member
	Colin Mailman	-	Sub-District 113, Board Member
	Bobby Bennett	-	Provincial Watershed Planner
	Lindsay Cherpin	-	District Manager
	Cary Anderson	-	District Administrator

Absent regrets:

David Senkowski	-	Provincial Representative
Richard Callander	-	Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
Kristopher Egilson	-	Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
Neil Preston	-	Sub-District 107(L) - Sub-District Member

1. **Resolution #589 – JANUARY 2025**

Be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as presented

Tymchuck - Stott

CARRIED

2. **Resolution #590 – JANUARY 2025**

Be it resolved that the **November 6th, 2024** Meeting Minutes be approved as presented and *ATTACHED*.

Smadella - Barry H

CARRIED

3. **Financial Reports**

(a) **November & December cheque list**

Resolution #591 – JANUARY 2025

Be it resolved that the **November & December 2024 cheque list** be approved as presented and *ATTACHED*. (Missing stub for 1 cheque)

Dunn - Harris

CARRIED

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

(c) **Sub-District amounts/Interim Report** – Presented to the board as *ATTACHED*

4. **In-camera/Delegation –**

Board moved in camera -1:27 pm

Board moved out of camera – 1:34 pm

Smadella - Tymchuk

Stott - Dunn

5. **Provincial Update** – Provincial Planner presented December update to the board

6. Business Arising from Past Meetings

(a) District Technician position -

- Look into accommodations for Technician
- Send letter of offer for the Technician position

(b) Water Rights License for Sub-District 107(L)

Resolution #592 – JANUARY 2025

Tymchuk - Smadella

Be it resolved that the license fee be approved for Water Rights License application for Horyn West drain.

CARRIED

(c) MAW Conference report – Walter read report, was very well attended this year. Would recommend Storm Chasers presentation

(d) Policy – Will discuss in Managers Report

7. New Business -

(a) Email resolutions

Resolution #587 – NOVEMBER22/DECEMBER 2024

Smadella - Tymchuk

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District accept the quote of \$4,870.00 plus \$248.50 GST from Foster Contracting to fulfill the requirements of the Weiden Drain Vegetation Management and Blockage Removal RFQ. Funds for this project are not to exceed \$4,870.00 plus \$248.50 GST and are to come from sub-district 157L.

CARRIED

Resolution #588 – NOVEMBER22/DECEMBER 2024

Stott - Senkowski

Be it resolved that the Westlake Watershed District Board give the administrator, Cary Anderson authority to set up EFT or automatic withdrawal through the district bank account and or Mastercard for the districts monthly payments for the following: (For duration of the postal strike)

- Receiver General
- Western Financial Group (Blue Cross)
- Manitoba Municipal Employees Clearing Account C/O Coughlin & Associates Ltd. (Municipal Employee Benefit Plan monthly insurance payments)
- Collabria (District Master Card Company)
- Manitoba Hydro
- Xplore Inc.
- Bell MTS
- Solution IT
- Konica Minolta (District Photocopier)

CARRIED

Adoption of the November 14th & 20th Special Meeting Minutes – Includes Resolution #585 & #586

Resolution #593 – JANUARY 2025

Stott - Smadella

Be it resolved that the Special meeting minutes be approved as presented and ATTACHED.

CARRIED

8. Board Member Items/MAW Report –

Sub-District 157M – Would like something done about the beaver dams on Weiden. Where can we get equipment in where the beavers have been trapped out? Manager, will ask Manitoba Conservation for options.

Sub-District 160 – Would like to get North Leifer tender out as soon as possible for mulching from lake to highway and further if needed. Look at replacing the culverts where the mine pumps out water down road 56W.

- Duggan drain spoil piles that the district left from many years ago need to be cleaned up. Letter will be sent to landowner indicating the board's decision.

Chairmen – Received a phone call from contractor in regard to a letter that was sent to him from the board in regards to concerns about the finished state of a project that was discussed at November 20th Special Meeting. Contractor, stated that he will check out the concerns and resolve them. Offered information that he feels that GEO Tech is unnecessary on certain jobs. The board stated that it is highways specifications. It was also put forward that it may be easier for contractors to have the RFQ's posted on certain days of the week. The board will add this to their policy meeting agenda. The contractor also expressed concern regarding the board response time for time sensitive matters. The board indicated that they do their best to respond.

Sub-District 110 – Checking on status of approved abandoned well applications. Administrator stated that she will call contractor to see why they were not completed this year and advise the board.

- Wondered what steps to take to get the Drain along Highway 50 completed. The manager will ask other district managers what they do to meet all the highways requirements to work on drains alongside highways.
- The district received a request to clean out a portion of Iris Dr. The district discussed this request and will respond to the landowner.
- Is Greys Ridge survey completed?, if so would like to look at it. Manager will check on status

Sub-District 107L – Would like Highfield Dr. RFQ sent out as soon as possible.

9. **Manager Report** – Presented to the board as *ATTACHED*

Resolution #594 – JANUARY 2025

Dunn - Harris

Be it resolved that the Water Retention Agreement presented to the board for the GROW Project, be approved and signed by the District.

CARRIED

Sub-District 160 – *Requested that funds be set aside from the budget to take care of maintenance for this project.*

- Policy meeting to be set on either January 23rd or February 14th, please let us know what day works best for you by the 10th.
- Quotes for the lawnmower to be sent out through email. Board suggested 42" blade for sure. Would like to check T.I.C. as they also do servicing for lawnmowers. Budgeted not to exceed \$7,000.

10. **Correspondence** – Chris Moriaux's written correspondence.

Letter to be sent out to Chris Moriaux (A. Moriaux Construction) in response to written concerns.

11. **Next Meeting Date** – **Wednesday, February 5th, 2025 at the RM of Mossey Chambers at 1pm**

Meeting Adjourned at 4:15 by Walter Tymchuk

TABLED -

District Chair

District Administrator