



WESTLAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

MEETING: #52

RM of Alonsa Chambers

July 3rd, 2024 @9:00am

Call to Order: 9:00 am

Present: Tom Anderson	-	Board Chairman
Walter Tymchuk	-	Sub-District 107(L), Board Member
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
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
Cameron Anger	-	Sub-District 160, Sub-District Member
David Senkowski	-	Provincial Representative
Bobby Bennett	-	Provincial Watershed Planner
Lindsay Cherpin	-	District Manager
Cary Anderson	-	District Administrator

Absent regrets:

Barry Sliworsky	-	Sub-District 157(M), Board Member
Neil Preston	-	Sub-District 107 (L) - Sub-District Member

1. Resolution #517 – JULY2024

Be it resolved that the Agenda be approved as presented.

Tymchuk - Senkowski
CARRIED

2. Resolution #518 – JULY2024

Be it resolved that the **June 5th, 2024** Meeting Minutes be approved as presented and attached.

Dunn - Mailman
CARRIED

3. Financial Reports

(a) Resolution #519 – JULY2024

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

Dunn - Senkowski

- (b) **Income Statement** – Presented to the board emphasizing the external funding. PWCP Administration grant funding that we received was \$32,937.69. \$12, 937.69 for any administrative costs and \$20,000 for GROW Coordinator wages for this year or the following years. Whenever it is needed. There was also a carry-over from 2023-2024 of \$4,905 of GROW funding plus our first payment for this year which is \$95,348.00. Also explained previous 2020, 2021 and 2022 GROW grant under and over expenditures.

(c) **Westlake Watershed District 2023-2024 Audit** – Alex George, of George & Associates presented the districts 2023-2024 Financial Statement Audit to the board. Did not have any recommendations but would like to commend the District for hiring a GROW Coordinator.

4. **Delegations/In-Camera** – No delegations or In-camera at this time

5. **Provincial Update** – No July update at this time

6. **Business Arising from Past Meetings**

(a) Email resolutions.

Resolution #516 –JUNE/JULY2024 (Emailed resolution)

Stott - Dunn

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District hire an approved contractor to remove beaver dams on Weiden drain (NW-14-28-17, SW-24-28-17 and NW-13-28-17), according to permit conditions. Funds for this project to come from Sub-district 157L, not to exceed \$1500.00.

CARRIED

7. **New Business -**

(a) **Thunderbird Nest maintenance/signs -**

Resolution #520 –JULY2024

Dunn - Stott

Be it resolved that Westlake Watershed District discontinue looking after site maintenance on the 3 tourist sites. Which consist of Medicine Rock, Thunderbird Nest and Ceremonial Site.

CARRIED

- Manager to draft letter to the Treaty 2 Council in this regard, due to previous discussion as a delegation in February 2019 meeting when they attended to discuss the heavy bush clean out around the Thunderbird Nest area. At this meeting they mentioned being interested in taking over the aboriginal sites.

8. **Board Member Items/MAW Report –
Sub-District 107(L)**

- Tim Hutla would like an approach done.
- Would like to look at the crossing policy at the next meeting.

Sub-District 113

- Is Mellonville Drain the RM of Alonsa's responsibility? The pipes are damaged, and water is running over the road in 6 places. These pipes I believe have just been installed not long ago. The RM of Alonsa sent contractors in to clean out the culverts, but we are not sure when they were damaged. Would like a letter sent to the RM requesting that they contact their contractors that cleaned the pipe out, about the damage.

Sub-District 157

- Wondering how Brian Preston is doing with trapping, Manager has requested report but have not heard back. Would like to set up cleaning both dams the same day where Brian and Keith have trapped a few beavers.
- Ernie indicated that he had requested that the cheque for beaver bounty for Keith Bonnett be sent to Ernie to be able to verify beaver bounty before payments. Administrator apologized for sending the cheque straight to Keith Bonnett.
- Just wondering about compost bins, manager stated they are ready for pick up. We have now received our stickers.
- Water Rights Officer Ingrid Rothnie attended site visit on Weiden Drain with manager and board member and agreed that the drainage did not make sense and will be contacting the manager with solution in the near future.

Sub-District 160

- Beavers are an issue. Would like Lone spruce culverts replaced before the RM clay caps the road. Would like to install a beaver deceiver/pond leveler at this site. Will work with Manager to figure out how to make this happen.
- Chris Moriaux will be installing culverts on July 3, 2024, material already in place for replacement
- Alister Rogers is trapping at Lone spruce and Marcus drain.

Sub-District 110

- RM had meeting and has requested that the culverts at Garrioch Creek/Rd 66 W be replaced according to the existing license. Will move forward with the license, the RFQ will need to reflect the existing license. Manager will make this change to RFQ and post it.
- There are bears in the Greys Ridge area, survey should not be done alone.
- Transportation for the Green Team is being looked after through the RM this year. Chance will be the Green Team member for the district as the only applicant that we had was hired by the RM of Alonsa.
- Wondering about the compound fence RFQ, would like to get this done.

MAW Rep. – Read MAW minutes and Courtneys report. ATTACHED

Sub-District 113

- Indigenous reps. on the board. Would like to find out more about how and when to incorporate. Manager will discuss with East Interlake Manager for more information.

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

Resolution #521 – JULY2024

Dunn - Stott

Be it resolved that the district dodge truck tires be replaced for the quote for \$1,445.00.

CARRIED

10. **Correspondence** – Administrator read Rorketon School Grad Award and passed on their message of appreciation to the board.

11. **Next Meeting Date** – **Wednesday, August 7th, 2024 in the Alonsa Community Hall**

District Chair

District Administrator