

## MINUTES OF MEETING NO.9-20

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**Present:**

N. Brandstrom	Chairperson	Dog Lake Sub District
K. Fjeldsted	Vice Chairperson	Swan Creek Sub District
B. Fleury	Director	Lake Francis Sub District
B. Sigfusson	Director	Shoal Lake Sub District
L. Finney	Vice Director	Dog Lake Sub District
J. Bittner	Vice Director	Lake ST. Martin Sub District
S. Smerchanski	Member	RM of Armstrong
K. Stadnek	Consultant	KS Survey & Consulting
P. Dunlop	Provincial Appointee	ARD
L. Miller	Manager / Financial Admin	WIWD
I. Zotter	Financial Adm. Assistant	WIWD

**REGRETS:**

WRITTEN BY: I. Zotter

ITEM		ACTION BY
1.0	<p><b>CALL TO ORDER</b></p> <p>N. Brandstrom called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.</p>	
2.0	<p><b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b></p> <p><b>68-20: P. Dunlop – L. Finney</b>  <b>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</b> the Board approved the agenda with addition:</p> <p>3.1 Delegation by K. Stadnek            7.3 Trails Manitoba Funding</p>	<b>CARRIED</b>
3.0	<p><b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>69-20: B. Fleury – B. Sigfusson</b>  <b>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</b> the Board adopted the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting 8-20, September 18, 2020 as presented</p>	<b>CARRIED</b>
3.1	<p><b>Delegation by K. Stadnek</b></p> <p>On September 21, 2020 the WIWD initiated a meeting where representatives from different parties of interest met at Narcisse DU Project location and observed all current structures to address restoration issues. The goal is to find a solution that will be satisfying to all parties, including RM of Armstrong, RM of Coldwell, landowners, and other involved organizations. K. Stadnek presented his views and suggestions on how to approach these issues, and recommended to explore possibilities to obtain external funding to support the restoration of Ducks Unlimited (DU) Project at Narcisse.</p> <p><b>70-20: B. Fleury – P. Dunlop</b>  <b>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</b> the Board authorized K. Stadnek to obtain field book to determine original elevations for DU project at Narcisse on behalf of the WIWD.</p>	<b>CARRIED</b>
4.0	<p><b>FINANCIAL REPORT</b></p>	
	<p>L. Miller presented the financial report: CIBC Corporate Classic Visa Credit Card Details from August 22, 2020 to September 21, 2020; Noventis Credit Union</p>	

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	<p>Statement of Accounts from September 1 to September 30, 2020; Noventis Credit Union Account Reconciliation Statement September 1 to October 14, 2020; Comparative Income Statement – YTD from April 1, 2020 to October 14, 2020; Statement of Expenditures from April 1, 2020 to October 14, 2020</p> <p><b>71-20: B. Sigfusson – K. Fieldsted</b>  <b>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</b> the Board approved the expenses of \$ 66,374.05 (cheques # 233-255); CIBC Corporate Classic Visa Credit Card Details from August 22, 2020 to September 21, 2020; Noventis Credit Union Statement of Accounts from September 1 to September 30, 2020; Noventis Credit Union Account Reconciliation Statement September 1 to October 14, 2020; Comparative Income Statement – YTD from April 1, 2020 to October 14, 2020; Statement of Expenditures from April 1, 2020 to October 14, 2020</p>	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>5.0</b>	<p><b>SUB DISTRICT RECOMMENDATIONS</b></p> <p>Annual General Meeting tentatively scheduled for November 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Location to be determined. Staff to contact all members to collect general opinion on holding meeting in-person during pandemic.</p>	
<b>6.0</b>	<p><b>OLD BUSINESS</b></p>	
<b>6.1</b>	<p><b>Integrated Watershed Management plan (IWMP)</b></p> <p>Public Meetings are postponed indefinitely due to COVID-19. Project Management Team meeting is postponed until further notice.</p>	
<b>6.2</b>	<p><b>Northwest Interlake IWMP</b></p> <p>Terms of References for the Board’s review are not available at this time.</p>	
<b>6.3</b>	<p><b>Siglunes Project</b></p> <p>The legal matter of the WIWD taking ownership, administration and maintenance from Ducks Unlimited (DU) over the Dike on Siglunes Creek will be postponed until 2021. General Draft of Lease contract presented to the Board.</p>	
<b>6.4</b>	<p><b>Policy</b></p> <p>The Board reviewed the Policy Directives Sections 3.7 and 3.8. Suggestions were made. Policies will be presented to the Board at next Executive meeting for final approval.</p>	
<b>6.5</b>	<p><b>Conservation Trust Fund / Trees</b></p> <p>In-Kind forms of contribution obtained from all partners. Final Report will be submitted within next few weeks.</p>	
<b>6.6</b>	<p><b>Conservation Trust / Cover Crops</b></p> <p>Results for soil samples have been received. Analysis of the results is not completed. Payments to first few applicants have been made.</p>	

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	<b>GRowing Outcomes in Watershed (GROW)</b>	
6.7	Next GROW webinar will take place on October 29, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Link to the webinar will be sent later. Application for the GROW program has been approved by the GROW Committee, and will be available online on WIWD website shortly.	
6.8	<p><b>Winter Watering System Applications</b></p> <p>Manager inspected E. Sigurdson's site for the Off Site Watering System, location found suitable for the installation. WIWD received new application for Winter Off Site Watering System from F. Hueging. L. Miller, and N. Brandstrom inspected proposed location, and reported as suitable.</p> <p><b><u>72-20: B. Sigfusson – K. Fjeldsted</u></b> <b>BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved</b> to accept F. Hueging application for the Winter Off Site Watering System</p>	<b>CARRIED</b>
6.9	<p><b>Riparian Project</b></p> <p>Two Riparian fencing Projects are completed.</p>	
6.10	<p><b>Tree Program 2020/2021</b></p> <p>WIWD received over 150 applications up to date. Last date to submit application is November 9, 2020</p>	
6.11	<p><b>Oak Hammock Marsh Wetland Ecovan</b></p> <p>2020-2021 Wetland Ecovan presentations will be more likely presented as Virtual Wetland Fieldtrips. The price structure for the Virtual Wetland Fieldtrips will be the same as presentations were onsite at the schools. The Board decided to proceed with sponsorship for 2020-2021 Wetland Ecovan presentations for the remaining amount.</p>	
6.12	<p><b>Irrigation Plow</b></p> <p>Specification for the Irrigation Plow presented to the Board. The Board discussed what services and/or program the WIWD will be offering to producers related to plow use. The Board discussed questions such as the cost of needed materials to implement pipelining project, Insurance and Liability. Staff to follow up on those questions and to deliver information to the Board at next executive meeting.</p>	
6.13	<p><b>Eco Canada / Casual Employee</b></p> <p>The WIWD applied for wage subsidy for internship for two positions: Environmental Specialist and GIS Specialist. Response has not been received at this time.</p>	
7.0	<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
7.1	<p><b>Conservation and GROW Trust</b></p> <p>Intake for Letters of Intent (LOI) for 2021 is open for Conservation Trust and GROW Trust. Due date to submit LOI is November 6, 2020.</p>	

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7.2.	<p><b>Ag Action Program / Environmental Farm Plan (EFP)</b></p> <p>Intake of Applications for Ag Action Program is open, due date to submit an application November 2, 2020. EFP must be completed before funds can be released. EFP workshops are provided to producers online.</p>	
7.3	<p><b>Trails Manitoba Funding</b></p> <p>P. Dunlop brought information to Board's attention pertaining announcement that in partnership with Trails Manitoba, the Manitoba government is investing \$7 million to support the creation, maintenance and enhancement of active transportation trails across the province and within the city of Winnipeg. The \$1-million Trails Manitoba Operating Endowment Fund will serve as ongoing operating funding for Trails Manitoba. The \$4-million Manitoba Trails Improvement Endowment Fund will support annual application based grants to create new trails or improve existing ones. Trails Manitoba will have more information on eligibility and project criteria in the coming weeks.</p>	
8.0	<p><b>REPORTS</b></p>	
8.1	<p><b>Chairperson</b></p> <p>Brief verbal update</p>	
8.2	<p><b>MAW Rep Report</b></p> <p>P. Dunlop presented written report. Report is on file at the office.</p>	
8.3	<p><b>Manager Report</b></p> <p>Brief verbal update</p>	
8.4	<p><b>Watershed Planner Report</b></p> <p>N/A</p>	
9.0	<p><b>IN CAMERA DISCUSSION</b></p> <p>N/A</p>	
10.0	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The invitation from Honorable Ron R. Schuler, Minister of Infrastructure, to meet on October 19, 2020 as an outreach consultation on the Channels project in Ashern;</li> <li>➤ Information on Caring for Our Watersheds program;</li> <li>➤ Lake Manitoba Basin, an Integrated Lake Basin Management Plan;</li> <li>➤ The Letter from Minister of Agriculture and Resource Development, appointing P. Dunlop to act as public representative on the WIWD Board until August 10, 2022;</li> <li>➤ Water Availability and Drought Conditions Report, September 2020;</li> </ul>	

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<b>11.0</b>	<p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b></p> <p><b>November 19, 2020, 2020</b>  <b>3:00 A.M.</b>  <b>Lundar Golf Club</b></p>	
<b>12.0</b>	<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b>  <u><b>74-20: P. Dunlop – B. Fleury</b></u>  <b>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</b> we adjourn at 12:46 a.m.</p>	<b>CARRIED</b>
	<p><b>These minutes are the writer's best interpretation of discussions held during the meeting. Please inform the writer of any noteworthy omissions or errors</b></p>	
	<hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"/> <p><b>Neil Brandstrom, Chairperson</b>  <b>WIWD</b></p> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 20px;"/> <p><b>Linda Miller, Financial Administrator</b>  <b>WIWD</b></p>	