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LOCATION WIWCD Office Lundar, Manitoba DATE September 18, 2014

PRESENT:

D. Oliver Chairperson Lake Francis Sub District B. Sigfusson Director Shoal Lake Sub District N. Brandstrom Director Dog Lake Sub District Lake Francis Sub District H. Rosing Director J. Cruise Director Swan Creek Sub District J. Halchuk Lake St. Martin District Director

L. Miller Financial Admin / Manager WIWCD

P. Dunlop Provincial Appointee Manitoba Water Stewardship

I. Zotter Financial Adm. Assistant WIWCD

**REGRETS**:

P. Watson Watershed Planner Manitoba CWS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACTION BY
1.0	CALL TO ORDER  D. Oliver called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM	
2.0	APPROVAL OF AGENDA  556-14: B. Sigfusson – H. Rosing BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the agenda with additions:  6.10 RM of Siglunes, Riparian Fencing 7.2 Shoal Lake Study	CARRIED
3.0	APPROVAL OF MINUTES  557-14: J. Cruise – J. Halchuk  BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adopt the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting 68-14 August 21, 2014 as amended	CARRIED
4.0	FINANCIAL REPORT	
4.1	L. Miller presented the financial report.  558-14: P. Dunlop – N. Brandstrom  BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the expenses of \$ 18,966.86 (cheques # 2132 – 2159) and financial statements from August 21, 2014 September 17, 2014.	CARRIED

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#### SUB DISTRICT RECOMMENDATIONS

Sub Districts recommendations presented to the Board.

Shoal Lakes Sub District and Lake Francis Sub District:

Members reviewed the 2015-2016 Operational Budget. Throughout the discussion the following suggestions was made:

- Propose Lake Francis Structure as a potential project for the Fisheries Enhancement Fund. Submit a Letter to MIT for potential partnership.
  - Spawning Shoals at the Hatchery Drain
  - Make a Demonstration Site for Sod Seeding
- Address the communication between Conservation Districts and MAFRD in official letter
- Research possibilities of developing boat launches and parking lots at Shoal Lakes throughout different source of funding (example: RFCPP)
- Acknowledge "in Kind" contribution in partnership on WIWCD Web Site.
- Annual bus tour for the members

Members did not support a request to host Beaver Management Workshop

Swan Creek Sub District:

5.0

Members reviewed the 2015-2016 Operational Budget. Throughout the discussion the following suggestions was made:

- Increase the amount in the Budget of 2015-2016 for the Community Tree Nursery Program
  - Annual Bus Tour for the members
- Members did not support a request to host Beaver Management Workshop

Dog Lake Sub District and Lake St. Martin Sub District

Members reviewed the 2015-2016 Operational Budget. Throughout the discussion the following suggestions was made:

- Explore a possibilities to initiate projects on small lakes, such as Nina Lake, Skunk Bay, Dog Lake and etc. For the RFCPP
  - Potential installation of carp gates at Dolly Bay, Hayland, Dog Lake
  - Possibility to establish a program for the cattle crossing installation
  - Annual bus tour for the members at the end of June.
  - Members did not support a request to host Beaver Management Workshop

# **OLD BUSINESS** 6.0 **Integrated Watershed Management plan (IWMP)** Public meeting for the Integrated Watershed Management Plan Team (IWMPT) 6.1 scheduled for Thursday, October 23, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Lake Francis Hall. The hall booked, lunch and coffee will be provided. **Shoal Lake spawning Shoals** 6.2 Contractor will be cleaning up the site on September 19, 2014. **Water Testing Day** 6.3 Total of 206 water samples were transported on September 3, 2014 by the WIWCD.

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6.4	Lake Winnipeg Basin Stewardship Fund (Mercer Creek and Dog Lake Drain)  The applicant cannot proceed with the Project due to circumstances beyond his control. Manager identify additional two sites suitable for this funding. Manager to proceed with negotiation as soon as possible with landowners.	
6.5	WIWCD Workplace Safety and Health Policy (addition)  The Board discussed the WIWCD Workplace Safety and Health Policy. After the discussion the Board decided that hard hats and safety vests must be purchased and kept in the WIWCD vehicle in quantities of two. Staff to research the possibility to print company logo on safety items.	
6.6	RM of St. Laurent Project  E. Zotter and T. Johnson joined the meeting at 10:45 a.m.  E. Zotter and T. Johnson delivered a verbal presentation pertaining to Public Hearing with Water Management and Structures Division in regards to the Project in St. Laurent, attended on September 9, 2014. Due to unforeseen difficulties with approval, this Project is temporarily on hold.	
6.7	Recreational Fisheries Conservation Partnership Program (RFCPP)  Few options were discussed at the Sub District Meetings. Such as installation of "carp gates" at Dolly Bay, Skunk Bay and etc. Staff to research the possibilities for potential partnership and estimated cost of projects.	
6.8	Water Festival  The Festival took place at the Lundar Arena, about 160 students Grade 3-8 from École Communautaire Aurèle-Lemoine from St. Laurent, Grade 1&2 from Lundar and Grade 1-6 from Eriksdale School attended the Water Festival. Many volunteers took part in that event: East Interlake Conservation District, Oak Hammock Marsh, Nature Conservancy, Manitoba Trapper's Association, Grettir Board, Shane Robins from MCDA, Pat Dunlop, high school students from Ecole Communautaire Aurele-Lemoine and Lundar School Next Water Festival will be scheduled for June 2015. Staff to collect quotes for portable microphone system.  Oak Hammock Marsh is offering a new "Enviroscape" model at the reduced price.  559-14: J. Cruise - P. Dunlop  BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved to purchase the "Enviroscape" model from Oak Hammock Marsh for \$ 500.00.  Staff to research options to apply WIWCD LOGO on the purchased equipment for the Water Festivals.  560-14: B. Sigfusson – J. Halchuk  BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved donation to Manitoba Trappers association for their help and participation in 2014 Water Festival in the amount of \$ 200.00  Staff to prepare "Thank you" letters to all volunteers.	CARRIED

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6.9	2015-2016 Budget  After the Board reviewed the 2015-2016 Budget it was decided to adjust the Budget for 2015-2016 with applications from the Lake Winnipeg Basin Stewardship Fund.	
6.10	RM of Siglunes  New location for the Project in the RM of Siglunes inspected by the representatives from WIWCD and M. Lowdon. The Board decided that the WIWCD will cover some cost of proposed project.  561-14: B. Sigfusson – N. Brandstrom  BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved to cover cost for the riparian fencing on Section 12, along the Boundary Drain and the installation of two (2) Spawning Shoals on Boundary Drain.	CARRIED
7.0	NEW BUSINESS	
7.1	Winter Off Site Waterer Applications  Four (4) applications for the installation of Winter Off Site Watering System presented to the Board.  562-14: J. Cruise – H. Rosing  BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approved Winter Off Site Watering System applications for: E. Sigurdson, Sam Bolay, Cambell Forsyth and Randy Geisler, pending on the site inspection by manager.	CARRIED
7.2	Shoal Lake Study  Shoal Lake Study was sent to the Board for the review. The Board raised some concerns pertaining to specific information in the Study. Manager to make inquiry to the author to request the references used to present the information in question.	
8.0	REPORTS	
8.1	Chairperson D. Oliver presented a summary of his activities.	
8.2	Manager Report  L. Miller updated the Board on current activities	
8.3	Watershed Planner Report is on file at the office	
9.0	IN CAMERA DISCISSIONS N/A	
10.0	CORRESPONDENCE The information from K. Hayward in relation to Conservation District staff member running in the upcoming municipal election.	

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11.0	Next Meeting: October 16, 2014 10:00 a.m., WIWCD Office	
12.0	563-14: J. Cruise – H. Rosing BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adjourn at 12:12 p.m.	CARRIED
	These minutes are the writer's best interpretation of discussions held during the meeting. Please inform the writer of any noteworthy omissions or errors.	
	Doug Oliver, Chairperson	
	WIWCD	
	Linda Miller, Financial Administrator	
	WIWCD	