

MINUTES OF ALL MEMBERS MEETING 2-20

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Present:

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| N. Brandstrom | Sub District Chairperson | Dog Lake Sub District |
| B. Fleury | Sub District Chairperson | Lake Francis Sub District |
| K. Fjeldsted | Sub District Chairperson | Swan Creek Sub District |
| B. Sigfusson | Sub District Chairperson | Shoal Lakes Sub District |
| L. Finney | Sub District Member | Dog Lake Sub District |
| J. Bittner | Sub District Member | Lake St. Martin Sub District |
| S. Hofer | Sub District Member | Swan Creek Sub District |
| O. Procter | Sub District Member | Shoal Lakes Sub District |
| G. Hamilton | Sub District Member | Shoal Lakes Sub District |
| P. Mathews | Sub District Member | Shoal Lakes Sub District |
| L. Wirgau | Sub District Member | Shoal Lakes Sub District |
| N. St. Goddard | Sub District Member | Lake Francis Sub District |
| J. Scharf | Sub District Member | Swan Creek Sub District |
| S. Bolay | Sub District Member | Lake St. Martin Sub District |
| K. Webster | Sub District Member | Dog Lake Sub District |
| D. Voth | Sub District Member | Lake Francis Sub District |
| G. Brown | Sub District Member | Lake Francis Sub District |
| P. Dunlop | Provincial Appointee | ARD |
| L. Miller | Financial Administrator/Manager | WIWCD |
| I. Zotter | Financial Administrator Assistant | WIWCD |

REGRETS:

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| J. Stefanson | Sub District Member | Shoal Lakes Sub District |
| R. Hazelton | Sub District Member | Shoal Lakes Sub District |
| N. Thage | Sub District Member | Swan Creek Sub District |
| T. Nevakshonoff | Sub District Member | Swan Creek Sub District |
| L. King | Sub District Member | Shoal Lake Sub District |
| P.A. Wainwright | Sub District Member | Swan Creek Sub District |
| S. Smerchanski | Sub District Member | Swan Creek Sub District |
| R. Sigurdson | Sub District Member | Dog Lake Sub District |
| F. Bruce | Sub District Member | Lake Francis Sub District |
| G. Iverson | Sub District Member | Lake St. Martin Sub District |
| J. Bezemer | Sub District Member | Dog Lake Sub District |
| J. Nickel | Sub District Member | Dog Lake Sub District |
| W. Yule | Sub District Member | Lake Francis Sub District |
| C. Halaburda | Sub District Chairperson | Lake St. Martin Sub District |
| P. Watson | Watershed Planner | ARD |

WRITTEN BY: I. Zotter

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION | ACTION BY |
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| 1.0 | CALL TO ORDER N. Brandstrom called the meeting to order at 9:06 am. | |
| 2.0 | APPROVAL OF AGENDA <u>AM 4-20: B. Sigfusson – P. Mathews</u> BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Membership approved agenda as presented | CARRIED |
| 3.0 | APPROVAL OF MINUTES <u>AM 5-20: B. Fleury – P. Dunlop</u> BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board approved the minutes of the All Members Meeting 1-20 dated January 29, 2020 as presented | CARRIED |

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| 4.0 | BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES | |
| 4.1 | Application to conduct a study on Beardy Creek The WIWD submitted application to the Manitoba Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Fund (FWEF) to conduct a study on Beardy Creek. Response has not been received at this time. | |
| 4.2 | Cover Crops Program The WIWD submitted application to The Conservation Trust for Cover Crops Program. Application has been approved, the WIWD received funding in the amount of \$ 90,000.00 to establish Cover Crops Program. The WIWD advertised Program through Facebook Page and by distributing posters in the local communities. Financial assistance is provided to those producers who choose to implement practices of seeding Cover Crops to improve soil health. Project Application is available now on the WIWD website or can be obtained at the WIWD Office. | |
| 4.3 | GROW Program The WIWD submitted application to The GROW Trust and requested \$ 250,000.00 of external funding to implement GROW Program. Requested funding has been approved. GROW projects will improve water quality and watershed resilience to the impact of climate changing by engaging producers and providing establishment cost to implement beneficial management practices. Through this Program up to 100 acres of wetlands will be conserved, 75 acres of riparian areas will be enhanced by erecting exclusion fencing and establishing buffer zones, 2000 acres of tame upland grassland will be restored by seeding perennial forages, 7.5 acres of shelterbelts will be established, and up to 7 Off-site watering systems will be installed. The Program and Application Forms are in the process of development. Members were provided with updated GROW Guide and the Summary of GROW Activities. Ideas, suggestions and recommendations can be submitted to the WIWD office via phone or email. | |
| 5.0 | MANAGER'S UPDATE Manager updated membership on the WIWD activities and presented Comparative Income Statement from April 1, 202 to June 20, 2020. | |
| 6.0 | NEW BUSINESS | |
| 6.1 | 2020-2021 Programming Members were presented with preliminary Budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year. The Final Budget must be submitted within 30 days, once the Province announce the funding for core budget. Letter has not been received at this time. Members discussed proposed Budget. Throughout the discussion the following recommendations were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Members supported proposed changes to the Community Tree Nursery Program. Orders maximum up to \$ 100.00 will be eligible for 50% subsidy. Only 1 gallon pots will be available for purchase. Variety will be determined in cooperation with Sabados Greenhouse in August of 2020.➤ WIWD should explore potential external funding sources for the restoration of public parks and public walk areas; | |

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| | <div><div>➤ Composting Workshop was well received last year. WIWD staff to determine if there is an interest in the communities to organize Composting Workshop this fall or next year, provided Provincial Guidelines for public events are fulfilled.</div><div>➤ Restoration of Ducks Unlimited Project at Narcisse. Members suggested to take a leadership in addressing the problems by sending letters and inviting the MLA representatives and the Director of Wildlife Association to observe this Project in person. Request Letters of Support from Rural Municipalities of Armstrong and Coldwell, and from landowners.</div></div> | |
| 6.2 | <div>Conservation District Award</div> <div>Every year districts have a chance to nominate recipients for the District Award. Members were asked to submit names of the potential candidates to the Office via phone call or email.</div> | |
| 6.3 | <div>Sub-District Meetings</div> <div>Members discussed time line for the future meetings. Throughout the discussion members recommended to establish the following format: One meeting for each: Southwest (Lake Francis, Shoal Lake, and Swan Creek sub-districts) area and Northwest (Dog Lake and Lake St. Martin sub-districts) area can be organized in February and in October. However, each sub-district should be given time to work individually during those meetings. Annual General Meeting should take place in November and All Member Meeting should be scheduled for April. Preferable time during winter months is evening, in the summer is morning.</div> | |
| 7.0 | <div>ADJOURNMENT</div> <div>AM 6-20: P. Dunlop – K. Webster</div> <div>BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adjourn at 11:27 a.m.</div> | CARRIED |
| | <div>These minutes are the writer's best interpretation of discussions held during the meeting. Please inform the writer of any noteworthy omissions or errors</div> | |
| | <div>N. Brandstrom, Chairperson</div> <div>WIWCD</div> <div>Linda Miller, Financial Administrator</div> <div>WIWCD</div> | |