

**MINUTES OF THE SEINE RIVER TRIBUTARY
DIVERSION PROJECT COMMITTEE HELD
MARCH 28TH, 2012 AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY
OF TACHÉ IN LORETTE, MANITOBA.**

IN ATTENDANCE: **Councillor Heather; Chairperson
On behalf of the RM of Taché.
Reeve William Danylchuk – RM of Taché
Reeve Art Bergmann – RM of Ste.Anne
Councillor Brown - RM of Springfield
Councillor Bodnaruk - RM of Springfield**

MEMBERS ABSENT OR EXCUSED:
**Councillor Menard: RM of Taché
Colin Gluting: Manager - C.C.C.D
Kristy-Lane Carr: Manager - S.R.R.C.D
Councillor Dayment: Town of Ste.Anne
Councillor Evans: RM of Ste.Anne
Councillor: Dumaine: RM of Ritchot
Claude Gagné: Public Works Manager-
Town of Ste.Anne**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Debbie Patkau,
Recording Secretary.**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Bill Heather at 10:10 a.m. for further discussions respecting the Seine River Tributary Diversion Project.

- Introductions of Members present
- The Committee was presented with the minutes of the February 29th, 2012 meeting
- Councillor Heather welcomed back Bob Bodnaruk
- 3 Members present to sign Memorandum of Understanding
- Reeve Art Bergmann will represent the Seine Rat River Conservation and the RM of Ste.Anne
- Councillor Heather reported that he had discussed the “Memorandum of Understanding” with Kristy-Lane Carr from the Seine Rat River Conservation District
- Reeve Art Bergman discussed the “Letters of Support” received for the project from the Seine Rat River Conservation District and from Cooks Creek.
- Councillor Heather read the letter of support from the Seine Rat River Conservation District and reported that the letter from: Cooks Creek Conservation District contained the same, equal level of support for the “Seine River Tributary Diversion Project”.

The “Memorandum of Understanding” was read and signed by the Committee members in attendance.

Following the signing of the “Memorandum of Understanding” a discussion was held regarding the “IWMP” (Integrated Water Management Plan) and how this project relates to the “IWMP” in this area. Therefore, “Seine River Tributary Diversion Project” fits the direction we are going provincially.

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Moving Forward:

- Councillor Heather wants to bring the Province on board with the project and asked the Committee Members' permission to go to Ron Lemieux's Office and share the Memorandum of Understanding.
- Reeve Bergmann commented that this project is a demonstration of Councillors and Municipalities taking ownership of each other's interest.
- Reeve Danylchuk stated that originally when this project was being considered, the "Floodway Authority" maintained that there was adequate capacity to handle the additional flow from this project. However, a short time later it was recognized that there was not sufficient capacity. This now creates the necessity for a new Drop Structure for this project.
- The suggestion was made to begin to bring the Federal Government (Vic Toews) on side, by sharing with his department the signed "Memorandum of Understanding" and background material from previous studies.

Follow Up:

- Councillor Heather to arrange meeting with Ron Lemieux.
- Follow up with Patrick Watson and M.I.T. (Manitoba Infrastructure Transport) personnel if possible.
- Contact Vic Toews staff to provide an update on this project, share the "Memorandum of Understanding" and provide copies of the Stefanson Reports.

The meeting adjourned the hour being 10:50 a.m.

The next meeting to be scheduled at the call of the Chairperson following meetings with:

- Ron Lemieux
- Patrick Watson
- Vic Toews' Personnel

cc: Honourable Ron Lemieux – Minister of Local Government
cc: Honourable Gord Mackintosh – Minister of Conservation and Stewardship
cc: Honourable Steve Ashton – Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation