

# Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District

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## Minutes

May 19, 2026

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ed Penner, Chair SD-6 and Chair of Board  
Brian Grier, Chair SD-3&4  
Diana Cline, Vice-Chair SD-6  
Natashia Lapeire, Chair SD-9 and Vice-Chair of Board  
Stan Toews, Chair SD-7

Neil Claringbould, Chair SD-2  
Harold Janzen, Chair SD-5  
Ken Prociw, Chair SD-8L  
Les Schewe, Provincial Appointee

### GUESTS:

Kelsey Benson, Watershed Planner

### STAFF:

Joey Pankiw, Manager  
Chris Randall, Project Supervisor  
Stephanie Klassen, Administrator

Virginia Janzen, ReGen Coordinator  
Dani Gosselin, Program Coordinator  
Beatrice Mukahirwa, Financial Administrator

#### I. CALL TO ORDER at 8:58 am

#### II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### 91-2026: Neil Claringbould, Brian Grier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes for April 27, 2026

#### 92-2026: Stan Toews, Les Schewe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2026 be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

#### IV. CHAIR REPORT

- Roseau River International Watershed meeting/tour to take place June 25 at 9:30 am

#### V. MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF WATERSHEDS REPORT

- No MAW meeting this month

#### VI. SUB-DISTRICT & PAC/LGC REPORTS

##### SD 2

- Manager gave update on Crown Lands lease for Gardenton community pastures water retention

##### SD 3/4

- Manager gave update on Pansy pastures water retention

**SD 5**

- Soil erosion group formed by representatives from RM Morris, Stanley, Rhineland, Emerson Franklin and Montcalm to develop policy on soil erosion mitigation and cleanup

**SD 6**

- Manager gave updates on water retention projects

**SD 7**

- Manager gave updates on water retention projects

**SD 8**

- Nothing to report

**SD 9**

- Sub District Meeting on May 20, 2026

**ALUS/GROW Committee**

Neil Claringbould exited meeting

**93-2026: Harold Janzen, Les Schewe**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the ALUS Perennial Grass project for Neil Claringbould located in SD 2 at NW10-01-04E and SW10-01-04E with annual payments on 10 acres \$45 x 10 years + establishment costs = \$5500 total funding.

**CARRIED**

**Abstains: Neil Claringbould**

**94-2026: Harold Janzen, Les Schewe**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the ALUS Perennial Grass project for Neil Claringbould located in SD 2 at NW10-01-04E and SW10-01-04E with annual payments on 46 acres \$45 x 5 years + establishment costs = \$14950 total funding.

**CARRIED**

**Abstains: Neil Claringbould**

Neil Claringbould returns

**95-2026: Diana Cline, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they move forward with the Shelterbelt Application for HyLife Titan located at SW-36-04-06E in the RM of Hanover for 3 rows of trees on 4.5 acres with total cost to SRRWD (1271 trees x \$2.50 = \$3177.50; annual payments on 4.5 acres \$200 x 5 years = \$4500) of \$7677.50 as funding is available.

**CARRIED**

**96-2026: Stan Toews, Neil Claringbould**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they move forward with the Shelterbelt Application for HyLife Sherwood located at SW-30-04-07E in the RM of La Broquerie for 3 rows of trees on 4.5 acres with total cost to SRRWD (1417 trees x \$2.50 = \$3542.50; annual payments on 4.5 acres \$200 x 5 years = \$4500) of \$8042.50 as funding is available.

**CARRIED**

**97-2026: Diana Cline, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they move forward with the Shelterbelt Application for HyLife Easton located at SE-30-04-07E in the RM of La Broquerie for 3 rows of trees on 4.5 acres with total cost to SRRWD (1389 trees x \$2.50 = \$3472.50; annual payments on 4.5 acres \$200 x 5 years = \$4500) of \$7972.50 as funding is available.

**CARRIED**

**98-2026: Ken Prociw, Natasha Lapeire**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they move forward with the Shelterbelt Application for HyLife General Lee located at NW-22-04-07E in the RM of La Broquerie for 1 row of trees on 1 acre with total cost to SRRWD (293 trees x \$2.50 = \$732.50; annual payments on 1 acre \$200 x 5 years = \$1000) of \$1732.50 as funding is available.

**CARRIED**

**99-2026: Harold Janzen, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the Shelterbelt Application for K and M Mueller Farms Ltd. located at 34-03-03E in the RM of Montcalm for a two row shelterbelt on 1 acre 5 year annual payment at \$200 an acre for total cost to SRRWD of \$2050.

**CARRIED**

**100-2026: Neil Claringbould, Diana Cline**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the PWCP Nitrogen Management Applications for the use of Inhibitors as funding becomes available for the following producers: Cadieux Farms Ltd (Kerry Cadieux) located in SD 2 for using Neon Air on 1435 acres for total funding of \$12,381.25; Hans Kolano located in SD 2 for using Neon Air on 80 acres for total funding of \$185.93; and Kevin Mueller located in SD 2 for using Neon Air on 390 acres for total funding of \$2082.50.

**CARRIED**

**101-2026: Diana Cline, Harold Janzen**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the PWCP Nitrogen Management Applications for the use of SuperU Dual Inhibitors as funding becomes available for the following producers: 3646093 Manitoba Ltd (Tom Neufeld) located in SD 6 for using SuperU on 495 acres for total funding of \$4284.53.

**CARRIED**

**102-2026: Stan Toews, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the following PWCP Nitrogen Management Applications for Agronomic Support and Soil Testing for Rocky Ridge Dairy Inc (Rinze Veldema) located in SD 3&4 for soil testing on 2072 acres for total funding of \$5607.55; and Cottonwood Holsteins Ltd (Brent Oswald) located in SD 7 for soil testing on 5076 acres for total funding of \$13,425.66.

**CARRIED**

**103-2026: Neil Claringbould, Diana Cline**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the following PWCP Cover Crop Applications for Camden Friesen located in SD 2 on 80 acres for total funding of \$4000.00.

**CARRIED**

**104-2026: Brian Grier, Les Schewe**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the PWCP Rotational Grazing Project for Wildfire Farms located at SW-32-2-5E in SD 2 to expand the rotational grazing scheme on 14 acres of paddocks for total funding of \$11,000.00 as funding becomes available.

**CARRIED**

**105-2026: Brian Grier, Neil Claringbould**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT they approve the PWCP Rotational Grazing Project for Arnold Thiessen located at SW-27-02-05 and NE-27-02-05 in SD 2 to expand the rotational grazing scheme on 160 acres of paddocks for total funding of \$10,000.00 as funding becomes available.

**CARRIED**

- Discussion re: Marc Friesen perennial grass project in SD9

**VII. MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Environment Canada Lake Winnipeg Nutrient Reduction Program funding is secured for \$185,000 for Pansy Pastures Water Retention project
- Finishing reporting for GROW and MAW for Lake Winnipeg Nutrient Reduction Program
- Provincial budget has not passed and thus our budget is not confirmed
- Alex Wolfe returns from maternity leave June 8
- Start planning Sub District Tour for July 28 and 29
- Tree giveaway went really well – 400 people and 12,000 trees

**VIII. FINANCE REPORT**

- a. Expenses for approval

**106-2026: Harold Janzen, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the monthly financial expenses as presented by the Finance Committee for a total of \$39,155.83 whereas, cheques 10646 to 10654 are approved for \$11,625.92; payroll for \$9,146.11; direct deposits for \$7,530.16; pre-authorized withdrawals for \$10,853.64.

**CARRIED**

**107-2026: Harold Janzen, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the April Provincial Report as presented.

**CARRIED**

- b. Final Provincial Budget for approval

- Awaiting dates from province to submit final budget

**108-2026: Harold Janzen – Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves transferring funds from chequing to ALUS Annual Payment GMI Edge of Field (Incentive Payment Contacts 110473361845): \$29,459 for future annual payments.

**CARRIED**

**109-2026: Les Schewe, Natashia Lapiere**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves transferring funds from chequing to ALUS 2Billion Trees 110474070577): \$8,982.83 for future annual payments.

**CARRIED**

**110-2026: Les Schewe, Ken Prociw**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves transferring funds from chequing to GMI Growing Roots (new account): \$39,900.00 for future annual payments.

**CARRIED**

**111-2026: Neil Claringbould, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves transferring funds to reserve from sale of Dodge Ram: \$4,659.02.

**CARRIED**

**112-2026: Neil Claringbould, Brian Grier**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves transferring funds to reserve from carry over Local Levy: \$25,552.00.

**CARRIED**

**113-2026: Brian Grier, Stan Toews**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the purchase and monthly bill for three mobile phones for staff up to \$100 monthly cost each.

**CARRIED**

**IX. MANITOBA WATERSHED PLANNER REPORT**

- Changes to Water Stewardship Division
- Budget for an Engineering position
- June 30 is due date for electronic audits; signed audits due
- Hometown Green Team funding

**X. NEW BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Well Sealing Application for HyLife

**114-2026: Harold Janzen, Diana Cline**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the Well Sealing Application for HyLife Big V Sow located at NW-15-6-8 E1 for maximum funding of \$2,000.00 plus GST.

**CARRIED**

- b. Well Sealing Application for HyLife

**115-2026: Neil Claringbould, Stan Toews**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the Well Sealing Application for HyLife Ponderosa located at SW-2-1-9E for maximum funding of \$2,000.00 plus GST.

**CARRIED**

- c. Well Sealing Application for Eric Larson

**116-2026: Natasha Lapiere, Ken Prociw**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the Well Sealing Application for Eric Larson located at 30119 Road 35N Mitchell for \$1,500.00 plus taxes.

**CARRIED**

**117-2026: Harold Janzen, Les Schewe**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the staff and board chair attendance in MAW Whitemud Tour in Neepawa July 7-9.

**CARRIED**

**118-2026: Brian Grier, Les Schewe**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the Pollinator Garden Project for Musee St Pierre Jolys located at 432 Joubert St in St Pierre in 150 sqft garden for 85% cost share up to a total of \$5,000.00.

**CARRIED**

**119-2026: Brian Grier, Neil Claringbould**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the Rain Garden Project for Musee St Pierre Jolys located at 432 Joubert St in St Pierre to help with yard drainage for 50-50 cost share up to a total of \$5,000.00.

**CARRIED**

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

**XII. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

- Welcome Administrator

**XIII. POLICY COMMITTEE**

- Continuing to work through discussion points

**XIV. RENOVATIONS COMMITTEE**

- Some office issues brought forth – windows, shelving, half wall at entrance, and new door
- Administrator will look at pricing

**XV. NEXT BOARD MEETING**

June 16, 2026 – meeting start at 9:30 am and BBQ lunch

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

**121-2026: Stan Toews, Diana Cline**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BOARD adjourn at 10:43 a.m.

**CARRIED**

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**Ed Penner, SRRWD CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

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**Joey Pankiw, MANAGER**