

Minutes of the Red Deer River Municipal User Group Regular Meeting held on July 14, 2011 at 1:00 PM, Dickson Dam Admin Building

Attendance: Allen Eastman – County of Newell, Dwight Meers – MD of Acadia, Ray Olfert – Town of Blackfalds, Ray Reckseidler – Village of Delburne, Dug Major – Special Areas, Ray Romenetz – Town of Drumheller, Joe Gendre – County of Stettler, Dave Hoar – Red Deer County, Richard Lorenz – Red Deer County, Rocky Dahmer – County of Paintearth, Al Campbell – Town of Stettler, Terry Yemen – Town of Drumheller, Les Hibbs – Village of Linden, Leona Dekoter – Village of Acme, Ron Howe – Town of Three Hills, Mary Jane Harper – Town of Olds, Earl Graham – Clearwater County, Murray Marshall – Starland County, John Kaster – Town of Hanna, Derek Baird – Town of Innisfail, Keith Ryder - RDRMUG

1. **Call to Order** – 1:00 Co-Chair Earl Graham.
2. **Introduction(s)**
3. **Dickson Dam Presentation:** Mr. Ross Martyn, Team Leader and Steve Mockford, Maintenance Supervisor. Information was provided on the construction, main purposes of the dam and general operations. An outdoor tour also took place with specific features of the dam pointed out.
4. **Confirmation of Minutes**
 - 4.1. Confirmation of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 17, 2011
MOTION by Reckseidler that the RDRMUG meeting minutes of March 17, 2011 be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**
 - 4.2. There was no business arising from the minutes of March 17, 2011
5. **Financial Reports to June 30, 2011**

Executive Director K. Ryder provided an overview and summary of the financial statements to June 30, 2011
MOTION by Baird to accept the financial reports to June 30, 2011 for information. **CARRIED**
6. **Executive Director Report:**

K. Ryder provided an overview of his activities as follows:

 - Attended the Canadian Water Resources Assoc. Conference in Red Deer and provide programs and presentations at future meetings.
 - Attended the RDRWA agm in Red Deer
 - Have had success in being recognized for a GST rebate. This has been an ongoing process since 2006 and we are now making headway. We have been approved for a 50% rebate and will continue the process to be recognized as a ``designated municipality`` and will be entitled to a full rebate. Currently we can now go back 4 years in our claims.

- Continue to work on the RDRMUG Crown Reservation process with Ab Env. Will be setting up a meeting shortly to explore next steps.
- MOTION** by Campbell to accept Executive Director report for information.
CARRIED

7. **Next Meeting:** September 15, 2011 – Drumheller Civic Centre

(Executive Director was asked to set up an Executive Committee Meeting to precede the regular RDRMUG meeting on September 15, 2011 – details will follow closer to meeting date).

8. **Adjournment:** 3:40pm