

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2003 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND**

The meeting was called to order with the following present: Dan Jacobson, Mark Breker, Roger White and Richard Engst. Absent Randy Ptacek.

Approve September 18, 2003 minutes and financial statement. (Breker/White, unanimous)

Approve payment of the following bills: (Engst/White, unanimous)

47454 Mark Breker	Travel	11.16
47455 Richard Engst	Travel	39.46
47456 Dan Jacobson	Travel	1.86
47457 SC Weed Board	Spraying at Frenier Dam	223.48
47458 Roger White	Travel	10.54
47523 Mark Breker	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
47524 Danny Jacobson	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
47525 Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less 20.40	246.27
47526 Richard Engst	3 PD less 13.77	166.23
47527 Roger White	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	95.88

Dan reported that some money has been sent to Bismarck for the Drain No. 11 FEMA PW. Dave Rice said they would review the narrative and see why all the money was not received.

Richard reported on the Milnor No. 7 drain extension that approximately ¼ mile has been cleaned and then it rained and they were unable to continue moving out the dirt. Work has been suspended and possibly will continue after it freezes.

Richard assisted Doug Ruby with the easement for Drain No. 7. Doug was asking for a permanent starting point in writing and they measured from the center of the alley to a stake and from a property marker placed by Interstate Engineering to the same stake. Doug would like that information included in the easement. Duane Breitling will be contacted to add this information to the easement.

The next item of business to be considered by the Board was the matter of establishment of an assessment district for the purpose of providing funds for the maintenance of projects constructed by the Soil Conservation Service (Now the Natural Resources Conservation Service) for which the Board had entered into agreements with the Soil Conservation Service requiring the Sargent County Water Resource District to provide for the maintenance of the projects after the completion of their construction. Manager Mark Breker moved the adoption of the Resolution for the Creation of the Tewaukon-Wild Rice Watershed Assessment District for the Purpose of Maintaining Soil Conservation Service Constructed Projects. Manager Richard Engst duly seconded the motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution. On roll call vote, the following Managers voted aye: White, Engst, Breker and Jacobson. The following Managers voted nay: None. The following members were absent: Ptacek. The motion carried and resolution was duly adopted. A copy of the resolution is on file in the Tewaukon-Wild Rice Watershed file.

Approve \$.50 assessment per benefited acre for the Tewaukon-Wild Rice Watershed assessment area for 2003. (White/Breker, unanimous)

Richard reported on Bridge 132-04 between Section 20/21 in Hall Township. Several landowners contacted him about replacing the bridge this fall. Sparky Engquist agreed to do it but it would not get done this fall. Richard contacted Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, and he suggested Comstock Construction. Richard contacted them and they agreed to do the work. Approve hiring Comstock Construction to replace the bridge. (Engst/White, unanimous) Damon re-measured the downstream pipe and recommended 2 - 117" x 79" x 50 feet plus 2 14 foot beveled end sections. Pipe will be ordered for delivery at the sight.

Larry Dahl called Dan about leveling spoil on Drain No. 11 on his land and this has not been done. The Board will contact a contractor to do the work. Another area by Rick Bosse's was also going to be leveled and he indicated that Sparky might use this to build up the approaches.

Joe Breker asked about land near Frenier Dam that has high salinity. He asked if he could tile the ground into Channel Improvement # 4 to remove the salt from the ground and drop the water table. An Application to Drain form will be given to Joe to complete.

Dan inspected Drain No. 11 in the southwest branch and found a beaver dam. There are several trees down and needs to be opened up. Dan will talk to Randy and they will check it out.

The Board reviewed the expenditure lists for work on all legal drains during 2000, 2001 and 2002. The lists will be filed in each legal drain file.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 20, 2003 at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

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DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY