MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2002 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 and Roger White. Absent Randy Ptacek and Richard Engst.

Approve September 19, 2002 minutes and financial statement. (Breker/White, unanimous)

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

44572 Mark Breker	Travel	11.16
44573 Dan Jacobson	Travel	19.84
44574 Ohnstad Twichell	WCI Attorney fees	37.50
44575 Roger White	Travel	10.54
44638 Mark Breker	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
44639 Danny Jacobson	3 PD less 13.77	166.23
44640 Sherry Hosford	Sec. Salary less 20.40	246.27
44641 Roger White	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	87.50

Doug and Janel Ruby, Milnor met with the Board to discuss an easement, which was prepared by Duane Breitling for access to Sargent County Drain No. 7. The Ruby's asked that some additional information be added to the easement. They would like a better description to include a starting point and a metes and bounds description. They would also like access only from the west side and at conclusion of clean up, they would like to give final approval that it is left in at least as good condition and shape as it was upon entry. Dan will talk to Moore Engineering, Inc. to get a survey and they will work with the Ruby's and Richard Engst. After the survey, another easement will be prepared for the Ruby's approval.

Boyd Brummond met with the Board to discuss the Brummond-Lubke Dam. There were some materials left over and he reported there are 49 corner posts @ \$7.30 each, 5 rolls of wire @ \$34.00 each and 2 partial rolls of wire. The total for the left over materials is \$527.70 and Boyd will pay for these. Boyd purchased the ties from Jeff Breker and there are 36 steel posts left and he does not want those so the Board will pick up. There are over 200 used wooden posts. The Board would like to work out an agreement with Boyd to remove the panels and maintain the dam. Boyd would like a gate instead of the panel and will assume the expense for the gate. The panels have to be removed in the fall and put back in the spring. He would like to trade maintenance on the dam for the 200 used wooden posts for a period of ten years. Boyd asked permission to put a hot wire on the top wire and the Board didn't see a problem. They discussed some other situations that might arise if there is an extreme problem. The Board will draw up a ten-year agreement and send to Boyd for his approval and signature. Boyd asked about grazing and the Board said he has to work with NRCS.

The Board received a letter from Mr. Jim Hicks regarding the inlet structure for the Bergh-McLaen waterway. Mr. Hicks suggests patching the pipe using ½ of the two piece connecting band, place over the spot that is leaking and attach with heavy self tapping sheet metal screws. Mastic should be applied to make a seal. He also stated that boring seep holes in the concrete weir box near the bottom might relieve the ground water that is seeping into the pipe. This can be done on the inside of the box just above the floor. Several one inch (or so) diameter holes should help eliminate the ground water around the weir box and thus around the CMP downstream of the box. The Board will talk to Sparky about the repairs.

Dan met with Dave Breker and Ron Herr on the extension of Drain No. 7 and they feel the Board has to make an application to the Corps of Engineers. They do not feel there will be a problem receiving a permit. All landowners would have to sign a minimal effect agreement.

The Board received correspondence from ND State Water Commission on consolidated funding process for Ecosystem and Water Protection Program, information on the Rehabilitation of Aging Dams funds threatened and the biennial report from the State Water Commission.

Dan reported he attended a meeting in Lisbon on the Red River Valley Water Needs assessment. A draft report was reviewed on appraisals of alternatives to meet projected shortages.

The	meeting	adjourned	at	10:50	p.m.	
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