

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2004 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND**

Managers present: Dan Jacobson, Mark Breker, Randy Ptacek, Roger White and Richard Engst. Absent None.

Brian Vculek, Crete, presented a request for drainage on highway right of way to remove water from SW1/4-24-132-58. NRCS has determined that no wetlands will be affected by the proposed drainage project. Approve application and submit to NDDOT for their consideration. (White/Ptacek, unanimous)

Approve October 21, 2004 minutes and financial statement. (Jacobson/Engst, unanimous)

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

50807 Mark Breker	Travel	42.84
50808 Richard Engst	Travel	51.00
50809 Phillip Hoffer	Beaver removal/SCWC # 1	50.00
50810 Dan Jacobson	Travel	22.78
50811 Randy Ptacek	Travel	6.80
50812 SC Weed Board	Dr # 11-333.25; Dr # 1-520.05	853.30
50813 Sundale Excavation	Dr # 2-\$1175; SCWC# 1-522.50 and Tewaukon Watershed-1520.	3217.50
50814 Roger White	Travel	35.36
50884 Mark Breker	5 PD less 22.95	277.05
50885 Danny Jacobson	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
50886 Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less 20.40	246.27
50887 Richard Engst	3 PD less 13.77	166.23
50888 Randy Ptacek	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
50889 Roger White	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	160.14

Richard Engst reported on the Silver Lake Stabilization Project meeting with the commissioners on November 4. The completed 404-permit application has been prepared and submitted to the ND Regulatory Office. Mr. Rush is hopeful that we can permit this work under the Regional Council's regional general permit or another applicable nationwide permit. The project cost is estimated at \$98,831.30.

Discussed Bridge 114-21 on Drain No. 9 in Taylor Township and reviewed a bid from Dakota Improvement to remove the bridge and install a Texas crossing for \$3,000. Roger is waiting for the Sundale Colony to submit a bid on the project.

Mark, Roger, Richard and Dan attended the forum in Britton, SD to discuss water issues in the south end of the basin, how these issues fit into the larger Red River Basin water issues, and areas where increased cooperation will benefit all involved. Commissioners, Conservation Districts and Water Board/District members attended from several counties in both North and South Dakota. Most were in favor of meeting in the spring in Sisseton, SD to continue discussing these issues.

Mark reported that the work on the outlet to Frenier Dam started on November 10 and refuge employees were on hand to assist. The area was staked out and Sundale Colony began the work under the supervision of Rob Hoflen, Tewaukon Refuge. The work was completed in a couple days and the spoil will be leveled next year. Overall, the project looks good.

The Board discussed the upcoming Annual Water User's convention in Bismarck on December 8-9. The State Water Commission will be meeting and consider funding for the Silver Lake Stabilization project. Other tentative meetings were discussed on those dates in Bismarck.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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MARK BREKER - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY