

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2008 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND**

Managers present: Mark Breker, Richard Engst, Dan Jacobson and Roger White. Absent Jim Bosse. Also present Mike Walstead, Sargent County Commissioner.

Approve October 16, 2008 minutes and October 2008 financial statement. (Breker/Engst, unanimous)

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

59920 Agassiz Seed and Supply	Brome grass/SCWC# 1	50.00
59921 Bohnenkamp Construction	Remove beaver dam/Dr # 11	433.88
59922 Mark Breker	Travel	25.20
59923 Richard Engst	Travel	22.50
59924 Interstate Eng.	DR # 11-\$270, WCI#1-780	1050.00
59925 Dan Jacobson	Travel	2.70
59926 Midwest Helicopter	#2-\$502.64; #3-\$309; #11-\$8165.84 and WCI# 1-	10773.80
\$1796.32		
59927 Ohnstad Twichell	Attorney fees- General	600.00
59928 Sargent County	50% Bergh McLaen repairs	4521.88
59929 Sargent County Weed Board	Spraying Frenier Dam	497.68
59930 Roger Wehlander	Rock and Gravel/SCWC#1	645.00
59931 Roger White	Travel	34.65
2652 Mark Breker	2 PD less 12.24	147.76
2653 Danny Jacobson	1 PD less 6.12	73.88
2654 Sherry Hosford	Sec. salary less 20.40	246.27
2655 Richard Engst	1 PD less 6.12	73.88
2656 Roger White	2 PD less 12.24	147.76
DD Sargent County Bank	Taxes and withholding	116.37

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

No further report on the Silver Lake Dam study. Any Board members attending the annual convention next month were encouraged to meet with state officials to discuss the status of this study. A draft copy of the Head of the Mountain Nature Preserve Lease Agreement was reviewed and a motion to approve Amendment 01 of the agreement and delay any work with the fencing until ND Parks and Recreation Dept. provide the Board with a copy of fence standards and specifications. (Engst/Breker, unanimous) Mark Breker read the letter dated June 23, 2008 from Jim Nickeson regarding the SE1/4 of Section 16 in Tewaukon Townships. Mark looked at sight with Jeff Breker, the neighbor who cleaned the creek up to the fence line. With the excessive rainfall the water broke out of the bank and run across the Nickeson land. Mark feels that Jeff Breker did not do anything wrong and thinks that this is not an issue for this Board. Mark Breker will talk to NRCS to see if there is any violation.

Damon DeVillers, Interstate Eng. met with the Board to review the billing for County Road 14 and Drain No. 3 (box culvert installation). The bill is dated 9-17-2007 through 10-29-2007 and since that time, Drain No. 3 has been joined with Richland County into Richland-Sargent No. 1 and there are no funds in this drain account. Damon apologized for the untimely manner of presenting this bill and the Board agreed to talk to Attorney Fredricks to discuss this bill and also take it to the next joint meeting to review this bill. Motion to pay the portion of the bill for Interstate Engineering for Milnor Drain survey and elevations (\$780) and Drain No. 11 on County Road 3 and township road west of Jim Bosses' (\$270). (Engst/White, unanimous)

Dave Titus informed the Board that it will take 2 weeks to order the culverts for Drain No. 11 through Cogswell. It is too wet to do the work so it was agreed that Mr. Titus should carry this over until spring 2009. The upright being constructed by Delbert Albertson has not been installed but Board members will contact Mr. Albertson to get a delivery date. Roger White indicated that some work has been done by the Cogswell lagoon. Commission Walstead and Damon DeVillers, Interstate Eng. are inspecting some areas near Cogswell later today and agreed to take a look at this location.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Board received a letter from Interstate Eng. seeking comments for the taxiway, apron and parking lot that are being constructed by Gwinner Municipal Airport Authority. The Board did not have any comments for this project.

Bill Mauch, Tim, Jones and William and James Dotzenrod filed an application to clean out the township ditch on the east side of Section 8 of Wyndmere Township and install a 36" culvert in the northeast corner of Section 8 which empties into Tri-County Drain on the east side of the township road. Richard Engst informed the Board that the Tri-County Drain Board has approved this request.

Sean Fredricks, Attorney provided copies of the North Dakota Water Resource District Association Proposed Legislation for the 2009 session. He encouraged Board members to review the information prior to the annual convention.

The Board received a letter from Dale Frink, State Engineer, regarding a request for a deviation from the ND stream crossing standards on behalf this Board and the Richland County Water Resource Board. Mike Bassingthwaite, PE for Interstate Engineering made the request and Mr. Frink responded that for the public safety, he cannot agree with deviation from the Stream Crossing Standards for the requested sties. Following a phone conversation with Monica Zentgraf, Secretary, Richland County WRB, the Board agreed to authorize Attorney Fredricks and Mr. Bassingthwaite to meet and discuss this letter and request additional information from the State Water Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

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DAN JACOBSON - VICE-CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY