

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2002 AT 9:30 A.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, Randy Ptacek and Richard Engst. Absent none.

Approve October 17, 2002 minutes and financial statement. (Engst/Breker, unanimous)

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

44936 Jerry Bohnenkamp	Dr # 11	125.00
44937 Mark Breker	Travel	26.66
44938 Richard Engst	Travel	15.50
44939 Dan Jacobson	Travel	1.86
44940 ND Water User's Ass'n	Convention registration	438.00
44941 Newman Signs	Frenier Dam signs	93.90
44942 Randy Ptacek	Travel	6.20
44943 Red River Regional Council	Silver Lake Tree project	1377.50
44944 Sundale Hutterian Colony	Dr. 3 maintenance	1235.00
44945 Roger White	Travel	10.54
44946 Wild Rice SC District	Silver Lake Tree project	980.00
45021 Mark Breker	4 PD less 18.36	221.64
45022 Danny Jacobson	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
45023 Sherry Hosford	Sec. Salary less 20.40	246.27
45024 Richard Engst	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
45025 Randy Ptacek	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
45026 Roger White	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	115.04

The Board discussed some necessary work on the north end of Drain No. 11. The county road department is working up there but there is rock needed so the Board will contact the Sundale Colony for rock and have the county remove the beaver dam.

The county road department plans to make repairs to the Bergh McLaen pipe. Sparky will patch the pipe using ½ of a two piece connecting band, place over the spot that is leaking and attach with heavy self tapping sheet metal screws.

Mark reported on Frenier Dam and that there are beavers in that area. He cleaned out the tower, which was plugged. There is a beaver problem and he asked how to control. The Board agreed to offer a \$50 bounty per beaver and Mark will contact someone to take care of the beaver problem.

The drain extension of Milnor No. 7 must have a permit before proceeding and Jeff Volk, Moore Engineering, has been contacted to start the permit process with the Corps of Engineers.

North Dakota Division of Emergency Management received a letter from the Corps of Engineers regarding the appeal of Drain No. 11. In a letter dated November 12, 2002 that FEMA has requested the Corps to review a written narrative of the work and then quoted three complex court rulings, which must be considered when determining Corps jurisdiction under Section 404. Based on the three court rulings the Corps intends to re-evaluate the Section 404 jurisdictional requirements as they apply to the drain. A recommendation concerning jurisdiction will be made by the ND Regulatory Office and forwarded to the Omaha Office for a final determination.

The Board reviewed FEMA projects for Drain No. 3 and SC Water Channel No. 1 and reported that all the work has been completed and administrative fees were spent on field inspections and mileage. The 2001 disaster including PW 2116 was completed in December 2001. Mark Breker signed off as applicant agent.

The Sargent Central Envirothon Team sent a letter of thanks for the Board for their contribution to the trip to Edgewater, MD.

The Board read a letter from Fish and Wildlife Service regarding a request from Grant Gulleon to dig a ditch on the NW1/4-28-130-54. This was a letter of information and no action was necessary.

Mark received a call from Robert Lee on Drain No. 12. On the west side of the drain from the county road to the west, the spoil has not been leveled and he would like it leveled about ¾ mile. The work was done 4 years ago and the east side was leveled but not the west side.

Annual Convention will be held in Bismarck December 3-5. Three Board members plans to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY