MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2001 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, Randy Ptacek, Richard Engst, Mark Breker and John Totenhagen. Absent none.

Approve minutes and financial statement. (Totenhagen/Ptacek, unanimous)

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

41130 Mark Breker	Travel	41.10
41131 Richard Engst	Travel	30.00
41132 Dan Jacobson	Travel	74.70
41133 Moore Engineering	Wild Rice River improvements	2674.90
41134 Randy Ptacek	Travel	11.70
41135 SC Road Dept.	Dr# 3 culvert improvements	3095.17
41136 Teller	Notice for Frenier hearing	96.00
41137 John Totenhagen	Travel	62.10
15910 Mark Breker	4 PD less 18.36	221.64
15911 Danny Jacobson	8 PD less 36.72	443.28
15912 John Totenhagen	5 PD less 22.95	277.05
15913 Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less 20.40	246.27
15914 Richard Engst	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
15915 Randy Ptacek	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
DD Sargent County Bank	Matching SS	233.58

The Board met with the county commissioners to discuss placing an assessment on the watershed drains. The commissioners were not very receptive of the idea to place an assessment on these areas. They requested more information on the dollars that will be generated and also the proposed area to be assessed. The Water Board feels that they do not want to spend more money on additional information and will wait until winter to conduct a public meeting to discuss with landowners the proposal.

Drain No. 8 south of Rutland assessment area is being processed.

Dan reported that there was a meeting at the Soil Conservation Service to discuss the Silver Lake erosion problems. The representative from State Water Commission was unable to attend because of the weather. Another meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 24 with several groups to look at the problem at the lake and see what solutions can be resolved.

North Dakota Parks and Recreation responded to the Water Board request to open the Head of the Nature Preserve to bow hunting, muzzleloading, trapping, small game and upland game. The NDPR agrees that opening the Preserve to deer hunting may help local efforts to maintain a more balanced deer population. However, they do not feel that opening to upland game, waterfowl or small game hunting or trapping is warranted given the concern is only related to the deer population in the Preserve. Request NDPR to allow only bow and black powder deer hunting at the Preserve. (Ptacek/Breker, unanimous) Upon receipt of the letter from the Water Board, NDPR will give notice and hold a public hearing and coordinate with this Board to amend the Articles of Dedication. The Governor must approve the amendment to the articles of dedication.

Darren Hoistad signed an easement for the E1/2 of NW1/4 and NE1/4 of SW1/4 11-129-55 allowing ingress and egress to Water Channel No. 1 of Tewaukon Watershed.

There was a problem with water by Rick Bosse's driveway (Section line between 1 & 12-129-57) and Dan and Randy authorized cutting the area to allow the water to flow. There is also a need for an 18" culvert on the old natural channel of the Wild Rice located between Section 36-130-57 and Section 1-129-57. Approve purchase of an 18" culvert and a 36" culvert with a flapgate for the county road ditch on Drain No. 11. (Breker/Ptacek, unanimous)

The appeal has been forwarded to the Denver Office for FEMA and the total of the bills for Drain No. 11 was \$189,008.50. The turn around time is from two to six weeks.

The Board received a copy of the annual operation plans for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the Tewaukon National Wildlife Refuge.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

DAN	JACOBSON	-	CHAIRMAN	

ATTEST: