

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2003 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, Roger White, Randy Ptacek and Richard Engst. Absent none.

Approve April 17, 2003 minutes and financial statement. (Breker/Ptacek, unanimous)

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

46309 Mark Breker	Travel	24.80
46310 Richard Engst	Travel	35.65
46311 Dan Jacobson	Travel	3.72
46312 Randy Ptacek	Travel	13.02
46313 Roger White	Travel	21.08
46399 Johnston Fargo Culvert	42" bevel culvert	871.96
46473 Mark Breker	3 PD less 13.77	166.23
46474 Danny Jacobson	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
46475 Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less 20.40	246.27
46476 Richard Engst	3 PD less 13.77	166.23
46477 Randy Ptacek	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
46478 Roger White	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	150.96

Discussed the culvert ordered for Drain No. 2, which was 46' on the bottom with beveled ends. The road needed at least 46' on the top. After further discussion, the Board decided to order a round 42" by 62' culvert. Jim Berndt and Bob Nelson asked for a crossing and if the Board would help pay for it. The Board's policy is to size the culvert and it is up to the landowner to buy the culvert and install.

Dan contacted Sandy Hanson about Drain No. 11 appeal and she talked to FEMA. Owen Brenden and Lou Rameriz, FEMA Public Assistance officers were in Bismarck and stopped at the COE Office and called Denver. They informed them that this appeal wasn't in their jurisdiction and a letter should be coming with that information. The Bismarck office cannot cut the check until they get a letter from the Corps of Engineers.

Larry Moxness and Allison Halmrast are requesting an 18-inch culvert in the SE1/4-32-132-53 to drain the water from the north to the inlet for Drain No. 2. There is water backing up and into Allison's basement. This area involves a wetland and NRCS has been contacted to inspect this area. The Water Board is not responsible for placement of this culvert and it is up to the landowners to make sure there are no violations with NRCS.

Mark reported that the Texas crossing between Section 36-130-55 LTL and Section 31-130-54 LTL still isn't fixed. He had Crandall dump 2 loads of rock but the culvert washed out. It doesn't work to have a culvert in this crossing. The Board suggested that the culvert be removed and the rock pulled back in and use this crossing only when the water is down. The Board will talk to the county commissioners and the landowners before removing the culvert.

The county commissioners asked the Water Board to fund the replacement of Bridge 132-04, which is located between Section 20 & 21-132-53. Interstate Engineering has prepared a hydraulic study of the bridge with some options for replacement. Approve funding for replacing Bridge No. 132-04 and contact Interstate Engineering for their services. (Breker/Engst, unanimous)

Discussed the farm contracts with Jeff Breker and Roger Nelson. They will terminate in October 2003. Authorize the Secretary to prepare new contracts for 3 years and add under the "Other Provisions" that the tenants shall refrain from cutting the grasses on the top of the dam and along the outlet drain of the dam.

The Board received a letter from Lucille VanVlaenderen about her water problem in Geneseo. She is requesting the Board to fix her problem. The Board will inspect and make a recommendation.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY