

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 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 and Richard Engst. Absent Randy Ptacek.

Approve May 15, 2003 minutes and financial statement. (Engst/White, unanimous)

Jeff Breker met with the Board regarding the Farmland lease. He asked if the condition for haying is for this year or next year. The Board explained that they are trying to keep the traffic off the top of the dam and not to keep Jeff from haying. There is no problem to continue haying other lands but this condition is for the top of the dam. A suggestion to make a roadway between the NE1/4 of NW1/4 and the NW1/4 of NE1/4-8-129-54 LTL to allow access for both Jeff and Roger Nelson to the E1/2 of NW1/4-8-129-54 LTL and remove the trail that is being used from Frenier Dam north across the field. Mark will contact Crandall Construction to get an estimate on the work involved in the job.

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

46619 Mark Breker	Travel	39.37
46620 Crandall Construction	Texas crossing	271.36
46621 Richard Engst	Travel	40.30
46622 Dan Jacobson	Travel	1.86
46623 Johnston Fargo Culvert	Drain No. 2	1183.69
46624 SC Envirothon Team	Donation	250.00
46625 Sargent County	Tewaukon Watershed data	120.00
46626 Roger White	Travel	22.32
46697 Mark Breker	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
46698 Danny Jacobson	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
46699 Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less 20.40	246.27
46700 Richard Engst	4 PD less 18.36	221.64
46701 Roger White	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	123.42

Mark reported on the Texas Crossing and provided pictures. The rocks are gone on the north side. Several proposed solutions were discussed and the Board decided to contact the commissioners and landowners to discuss the options.

Drain No. 2 - The culvert was installed and a portion cleaned out. The bills for cleaning have not been submitted at this time. Crossings were provided for Jim Berndt and Robert Nelson. Thirty-inch culverts were purchased from the county by the landowners and used in the crossings.

Mark inspected the Lucille VanVlaenderen complaint and he couldn't see any problem, as no water was visible. A letter will be sent that the Board found no violation.

Discussed spraying for leafy spurge and a request from the Weed Board to assist the Water Board. They may be able to use Plateau this fall after the crop is off. The Weed Board will be asked to spray Frenier Dam and put bugs for leafy spurge on Channel No. 9 by the beaver dams (Section 17 & 20-129-56) and the NW1/4-31-129-56 by the duck ponds.

The helicopter sprayer will be contacted to spray some willows and cattails in the Channel No. 9 area, through Frenier Dam and along Bergh-McLaen Waterway.

Received a request from the Sargent Central Envirothon Team for a donation to go to Emmitsburg, MD. Approve \$250 donation. (Engst/White, unanimous)

The summer meeting will be held in Fargo on July 14 and 15, 2003.

The Board conducted an inspection of the channels and dams and the following items were addressed: 1)A few Russian Olive trees are growing along the bank of Channel No. 1 and a few willows are starting to grow near Kim Rasmussen's; 2)Leafy spurge is apparent in Channel No. 9; 3)Large cottonwood trees located along the edge of Channel No. 9; 4)The CMP on the Bergh-McLaen Waterway needs to be patched; 5) Volunteer trees are getting bigger on Bergh-McLaen Waterway and will be taken care of when a backhoe or helicopter is in the area. NRCS is recommending that the Water Board not allow any grazing on the Brummond/Lubke Dam because the sensitive and degraded areas are just starting to show signs of new plant growth. During the inspection, it was noted that Boyd Brummond had not installed the panels and he was grazing his cattle on the dam. The Secretary was instructed to send a letter to Mr. Brummond asking him to install the panels and remove the cattle from the dam immediately and only allow grazing when NRCS approves it.

Dan will talk to Sparky Engquist about making repairs to the Bergh-McLaen Waterway and placing reflectors along the concrete weir.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY