

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2000 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, Richard Engst, John Totenhagen and Randy Ptacek. Absent none.

Elvoy Askerooth and J. R. Kleingarn met with the Board to discuss a beaver dam in Section 36-131-54. Mr. Askerooth is scheduled to have a portion of the Crooked Creek cleaned this summer and the beaver dam will cause problems and back water up on Askerooth. The landowner, Mary Kratcha, is unwilling to remove the dam. Dan Jacobson talked to Duane Breitling and he said the Board has the authority to remove beaver dams but it is not a policy of this Board to do this on natural drains. The Board can contract with Mr. Askerooth and Mr. Kleingarn to remove the dam at their expense. It is approximately 1/8 mile from the culvert to the beaver dam. Dan will call Mr. Breitling and ask if they can clean the area from the dam to the culvert. Approve contract to remove beaver dam. (Engst/Ptacek, unanimous)

John, Richard and Sherry attended the annual summer meeting in Grand Forks July 10-11. John talked to Jim Lyons, Red River Joint Board member, regarding funding for shore stabilization at Silver Lake. An application form will be requested and the commissioners informed that when the plan is designed and estimates are available, the Water Board will request funding from RRJTB.

Moore Eng. sent record drawings for the two bridge replacement projects in Hall Township. They also included invert elevations on the non-crushed culvert under Co. # 14 less than ¼ mile south of the church near Bridge 133-4. The inverts of the new pipe used to replace the two bridges were placed as much as one to two feet below the channel bottom. Richard will contact Moore Eng. for more information.

Approve June 15, 2000 minutes and June financial statement. (Breker/Engst, unanimous)

Approve following bills: (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

39437 Mark Breker	Travel	61.43
39438 Richard Engst	Travel	334.24
39439 Sherry Hosford	Travel	227.36
39440 Dan Jacobson	Travel	35.55
39441 Randy Ptacek	Travel	36.25
39442 Quill Corp.	Film	24.99
39443 John Totenhagen	Travel	267.86
15252 Mark Breker	5 PD less	22.95
15253 Dan Jacobson	5 PD less	22.95
15254 John Totenhagen	6 PD less	27.54
15255 Sherry Hosford	Sec. Salary less	20.40
15256 Richard Engst	7 PD less	32.13
15257 Randy Ptacek	2 PD less	9.18

Randy Ptacek discussed acquiring additional right-of-way from Paul Mathews in the SW1/4-23-130-57. This land would be on the north side of the drain and is starting to slough. Mr. Mathews will be in contact with Randy.

The township has repaired the bridge north of Banderet's on Drain No. 11 and they will keep in touch with Randy.

Approve 12'x7' concrete box culvert 70-feet long between Section 1 & 2-129-57. Drain No. 11 flows through this crossing. The county road department will do the work and the cost shared 60/40. (Engst/Ptacek, unanimous)

Dan talked to Jack Brummond about fencing the Brummond-Lubke dam. Mr. Brummond will get back to Dan after he decides what to do.

Discussed pricing for redoing the sign at Frenier dam. Mark will measure the existing sign and see what material the sign is made of and Sherry will call for prices.

The Board proceeded to work on the 2001 Budget. Approve \$146,000 for the Water Resource District General Fund and the following for drain funds: #2-\$1,500; #3-\$3,000; #4-\$1,000; #9-\$5,000; #11-\$25,000; #12-\$1,000 and SC Water Channel Imp. District No. 1-\$4,000. (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

The Red River Joint Water Board is requesting \$6,000 for 2001. This amounts to 0.1254% of the total budget.

Mileage reimbursement was increased by the county commissioners to \$.30/mile effective July 1, 2000.

Mark had reported problems with leafy spurge at Frenier Dam/Head of the Nature Preserve. ND Parks and Recreation contacted the Board that they will reimburse Jeff Breker to spray in and around the northern border of the preserve. A botanist will survey the area this month for noxious weeds and a survey of results will be sent to the Board.

Art Silseth, Big Lake, MN has filed an application (#1727) with the ND State Water Commission. It is for the proposed work located in the NE1/4-13-129-55. The diversion project is to straighten out the flow of the unnamed creek in said quarter. There are two loops of the creek that will be cut through approximately 260 feet each. This will enable Mt. Silseth to use the land with equipment more efficiently. The bottom width will depend on the contractor. He plans 4:1 side slopes and the deepest part will be 4 feet. The gradient will depend on the natural creek bottom at the beginning and ending of each cut. Dan will visit with NRCS about the application.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY