

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2002 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, Richard Engst, Mark Breker and Randy Ptacek. Absent Roger White.

Approve July 15, 2002 minutes and financial statement. (Engst/Ptacek, unanimous)

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

44123 Jay Melius	Brummond-Lubke fence repairs	2627.40
44124 Melius Fencing	Brummond-Lubke fence repairs	2627.40
44125 SC Envirothon Team	Donation	250.00
44126 Sargent County	Culverts/Verner Twp	414.12
44127 Jeffrey Breker	19 ties @ \$7.00	133.00
44128 Mark Breker	Travel	21.70
44129 Richard Engst	Travel	32.86
44130 Dan Jacobson	Travel	1.86
44131 Randy Ptacek	Travel	6.20
44132 Dave Rotenberger	WC # 1 gate repairs	150.00
44133 SEL Lumber	12 stockade panels @ \$15.75	189.00
44291 Mark Breker	3 PD less 13.77	166.23
44292 Danny Jacobson	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
44293 Sherry Hosford	Sec. Salary less 20.40	246.27
44294 Richard Engst	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
44295 Randy Ptacek	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	105.86

Members of the Richland Water Resource Board met with the Board to discuss the Bi-County drain that consists of Sargent County Drain # 3 and Richland County Drain # 11. They plan to clean out their drain and move it in the ditch. Bill Gaukler feels he is holding water and wants to cap off the second culvert located in Section 1 of Kingston Township at the county line. Richland County is not in a position to do this but feels it is Sargent County Water Board's decision. The 24" culvert was approved for placement in June 1997 with a cap and the control of the cap to remain with this Board. The Board has not been contacted by Mr. Gaukler regarding the cap.

The fencing project at Brummond-Lubke was completed and Mark inspected it in mid-July. It looked satisfactory and Boyd Brummond is also happy with the project. He feels it will work fine with the cattle. There were leftover new wood posts and wire and Boyd will purchase. The Board will retain the leftover steel posts. There are approximately 200 used wood posts in pretty good shape that belongs to the Board. Discussed maintenance of the fence and agreed that there should be an agreement with Brummond.

The culvert in Bergh-McLaen waterway can be fixed with a liner and possibly lengthen the life of the culvert another 10 years.

Richard attended a meeting on July 30 to discuss the Project 319 and Wild Rice Watershed Restoration Action Strategy. Larry Lindberg presented information on dollars available, sign-ups, information education, farm planning assistance and dollars delivered to the local economy.

Orvin Hogness and Dick Kuehn, Hall Township Supervisors and Tom and Scott Mund, Milnor met with the Board to continue the discussion from last meeting when Tom Mund was requesting the 18-inch culverts be replaced with 24-inch in the NE1/4-31-132-53. Tom and Richard Engst looked at all the culverts and checked the sizes. The Township is concerned that if the channel is not cleaned, the increase in culvert size will not solve the problem. There are two places where the water goes over the roadway for a short time in the spring. The Board has discussed extending the drain and also talked about including the laterals. Attorney Breitling will be contacted to see if an entire reassessment is necessary. A meeting will be set up with the landowners involved in the outlet to the river and also the lateral. The Board will get answers to questions from the engineer and the attorney prior to the meeting. Tom Mund made an offer to clean out the natural drain through Dick Kuehn's pasture at Tom's expense.

The county commissioners approved the 2003 budget and the Red River Joint Water Board has requested \$7736.

Weber Township requested cost share for a 36" x 38' culvert between the SE1/4-13-129-55 and NE1/4-24-129-55 to replace an existing culvert. Mark has looked at the site. Approve 1/3 cost share of the culvert. (Engst/Breker, unanimous)

The Sargent Central Envirothon Team sent a letter requesting a donation for expenses to a trip to Edgewater, Maryland. They placed 2nd at the North Dakota-Manitoba State Competition. Approve \$250 donation. (Engst/Ptacek, unanimous)

Mark reported that Crandall Construction has leveled Drain No. 12 and Brian Baldwin called concerning some purple loosestrife at the Texas crossing in Drain #

12. Mark talked to Dick Anderson, SC Weed Board and he will check it out. Donald Willprecht talked to Mark about the Texas crossing near his farm. A culvert will not be installed at this site.

Boyd Brummond asked to install a 42-inch culvert downstream of the Lubke dam on an approach to give access for the cattle to cross and also the pickup. There is a 36-inch culvert on the roadway and a 30-inch coming out of the dam. Approve donation of culvert to Brummond and installation by Brummond. (Ptacek/Engst, unanimous)

Discussed full-term maintenance on the new fence on the Brummond-Lubke Dam. Boyd Brummond agreed he would be willing to do the maintenance. The Board inspects the dam each year and if any problems are noticed, he will be contacted to make repairs. Mark will talk to Brummond about an agreement.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY