

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 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. Also present Jeff Volk, Moore Engineering, Inc.

Dick Kuehn, DeLamere, met with the Board to request permission to drain water down the road ditch in the SE1/4-30-132-53 instead of behind his residence. It is a very low area and the water flows into his yard. The Board felt that NRCS should be contacted to get permission from other landowners. Jeff Volk suggested getting a state drainage permit and contacting the township board. Mr. Kuehn received an application and will proceed with contacting the state.

Jeff Volk provided a map on the Milnor Drain No. 7 extension. The Corps of Engineers requested additional information before they would proceed with a permit. Some areas of the drain are still too wet and Jeff suggested that someone should go in and do some survey work. From the end of the legal drain to the church could be done now but from the church east a permit would be required due to wetland mitigation. If the drain ever gets dry enough it could be cleaned and hauled out and not require a permit.

Jeff also provided a list and map of the Tewaukon Watershed District. He explained to the Board the percentages used and his reasoning for applying each percentage. The Board reviewed the list and discussed changes and other concerns with the assessment area. After further review the Board instructed Jeff to proceed with changes and prepare the assessment list at \$.50 per benefited acre. (White/Engst, unanimous)

Approve July 17, 2003 minutes and financial statement. (Breker/Engst, unanimous)

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

47132 Mark Breker	Travel	16.12
47133 Richard Engst	Travel	15.50
47134 Dan Jacobson	Travel	1.86
47135 Johnston Fargo Culvert Co.	Dr # 2 culvert band	47.52
47136 Viking Office Products	Film	25.99
47137 Roger White	Travel	13.64
47206 Mark Breker	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
46207 Danny Jacobson	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
46208 Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less 20.40	246.27
46209 Richard Engst	1 PD less 4.59	55.41
46910 Roger White	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	95.88

The Silver Lake Stabilization project had a delay due to the contract, personnel issues and a lack of student availability. The Red River Basin Riparian Project coordinator will continue working on the project and hope to get any rock placed later this fall before the lake freezes or before the ground thaws completely in the spring.

Mark checked Frenier Dam and contacted NRCS and will working on getting the repairs completed. Mark also informed the Board that he and Jeff Breker looked at the old spoil bank on the north edge of the dam where Jeff could access the 40-acre tract. Mark suggested going on the eastside and making a road to eliminate leveling the spoil bank. Jeff would like a Texas crossing in the bottom of the drain to allow access to both sides. The Board felt this would solve the problem.

The Board received and read a letter from US Fish and Wildlife regarding a request from Orville Erickson, Forman. They discussed creek clean outs and easement wetlands behind the Erickson house on the NW1/4-31-131-55. These are protected by USFW easements. Draining, filling, leveling or burning of easement wetlands is prohibited.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

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DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY