

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2006 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND**

Managers present: Mark Breker, Dan Jacobson, Roger White, Randy Ptacek and Richard Engst. Absent none.

Kathy Duttonhefner, Justin Parks and John Kwapinski, ND Parks and Recreation met with the Board to review the Resource Management Philosophy and Strategies Plan for Head of the Mountain Nature Preserve-2006. This Board and ND Parks and Recreation have approved the Lease Agreement and Articles of Dedication for the nature preserve. The Resource Management Activities for 2006 and 2007 were discussed and a draft will be finalized. The annual meeting will be prior to June 30, 2007 to discuss additional activities that the Board would like to recommend.

Tom and Scott Mund met with the Board regarding Application to Drain 3141 filed by Tom Mund requesting a permit to install drain tile extending a prior installation of drain tile in the NE corner of 25-132-54. The purpose of the project is to improve the field condition for crops by lowering the ground water elevation. The ND Office of the State Engineer has reviewed the application and determined to not be of either statewide or inter-district significance. The Board evaluated the application and addressed the eight factors. Approve Application to Drain No. 3141. (Ptacek/Engst, unanimous) Tom Mund asked for an update on cleaning Drain No. 2.

Approve August 17 and September 12, 2006 minutes as presented and August financial statement. (Jacobson/White, unanimous)

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

55673 Mark Breker	Travel	309.66
55674 Richard Engst	Travel	125.58
55675 Dan Jacobson	Travel	119.73
55676 Randy Ptacek	Travel	17.16
55677 Roger White	Travel	182.13
55749 Mark Breker	13 PD less	123.89
55750 Danny Jacobson	9 PD less	60.41
55751 Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less	20.40
55752 Richard Engst	7 PD less	42.84
55753 Randy Ptacek	9 PD less	60.41
55754 Roger White	7 PD less	42.84
DD Sargent County Bank	Withholding taxes	647.12

Cari and Gene Wefel and Mary Jo Wohlwend met with the Board and requested the lateral be cleaned out on Drain No. 3 in Section 1-129-53 (Kingston Township). Mark explained that this project is on the list for this fall and asked if the spoil could be placed on the south side (Wohlwend property) and there was no problem placing the spoil on the south side. Further discussion followed on plans to clean the drain and increase the culvert. The Board asked Ms. Wohlwend to send a written request with her suggestions.

Richard Engst read a letter from Milnor City Council requesting cost share for a 9 to 10 foot culvert extension and elbow to an existing culvert that was lowered earlier this summer located on First Street. This would alleviate problems in the winter and with spring run off. Total cost of the culvert is \$1295 plus installation and rip rap. The water that goes through this culvert is from the assessment area. Approve one-half cost share of this culvert extension, materials and installation for the downstream portion only. (Engst/Jacobson. Roll call: Aye: Engst, Jacobson. Nay: White, Ptacek, and Breker. Motion failed)

OLD BUSINESS: Larry Dahl spoil bank will be leveled when the beans are harvested. Mark will talk to Jerry Woytassek about cleaning Section 14,15,22 in the Tewaukon watershed. Mark will also talk to Allen Nelson on fencing at Nelson Dam. Sandy Hanson is checking on the improved project in Section 27-130-57 (Bosse & Hayen). The Board sent in a cost share request to ND State Water Commission and they are requesting additional information. John Wirries, Moore Engineering will be contacted to provide NDSWC the information they requested. Discussed the request from Wild Rice Soil Conservation District regarding the project to enhance Frenier Dam's flood plan. The Board agreed that this would be a good project and instructed Secretary to contact Trace Hanson to proceed.

NEW BUSINESS: Vivian Township requested permission to clean dirt out of ND Highway 13 in Section 21-132-57. They are requesting to remove about 300 to 400 feet where it washed in out of the field. Another request from Vivian Township is in Section 19-132-57 to clean the culvert out and remove cattails from ditch. Approve request and send to ND State Highway Dept. for their approval. (Jacobson/Ptacek, unanimous)

Silver Lake Dam has a seepage problem and it appears to have increased after the dam was raised. Uncontrolled seepage through an earthen embankment can lead to failure of the embankment. NDSWC suggests controlling the seepage with a drainage system and/or cutting off the seepage with an impermeable material. Mark visited with Jason Boyle, NDSWC and he is preparing additional information for the Board.

They also indicated they would likely provide cost share assistance to address the seepage problem and they have a construction crew that could perform the needed rehabilitation. The Board will review this information at the October meeting.

Gwinner Golf Course Committee requested assistance in recommending a culvert size for the natural drain that crosses the E1/2 of SE1/4-22-132-56 and the W1/2 of SW1/4-23-132-56. Roger White inspected the area and moved to recommend a minimum of 30-inch culvert for this location. (White/Ptacek, unanimous)

Mark Breker updated Board members on FEMA projects and work that is underway. He explained the 2005 and 2006 projects that Titus Excavating has agreed to complete.

Tom Hillestad, NDDOT employee talked to Dan Jacobson about ND Highway 32 road ditch and placing water into the tile system that Forman City installed in the SW1/4-6-130-55 and flows into the city lagoon. There are no culverts in the new area of State Highway 32 for the water to flow to the north. This water goes into Drain No. 4 and is all part of the assessment area. The Board did not see any problem allowing this water to flow into the drain.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 a.m.

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MARK BREKER - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY