

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1997 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse and Maynard Lien. Absent: Mike Paczkowski and John Stenhagen.

Approve December 19, 1996 minutes and financial statement. (Bosse/ Lien, unanimous)

Received correspondence from Duane Breitling on the Gibbon culvert appeal. Mr. Cichy requested a copy of the file to review and determine when his clients will be ready for a hearing. Mr. Breitling sent the information to Mr. Cichy and suggested a meeting on either February 13 or 27.

Silver Lake land acquisition - we received the descriptions and Dan is talking with Lowell Olson about the easement. We are still waiting for appraisals on the D. Donley Hom land. Called Jeff Volk and he is putting together a description on the Orvis Silseth land and roadway right-of-way. Dan and Jim agreed to meet the new refuge manager at Lake Tewaukon to discuss the MOU on Silver Lake and if there is a need to get a floodage easement for their land north of the lake.

Approve meeting on the third Thursday of each month during 1997 at times listed on the notice filed in the office of the County Auditor. (Lien/Bosse, unanimous)

Richland County has scheduled a meeting regarding Park Lake on February 25 at 1:00 p.m. in Wahpeton. They would like this Board present to discuss the problem.

Andy Wingenbach arrived at 11:30 and updated the Board on changes in the farm program. He explained about EQUIP - a maintenance/improvement program and 2 options with CRP. There are some changes with mitigation and a few issues still being worked on. Andy said the state office is updating the watershed areas and asked for copies of easements on SC Channel No. 9 for him to review. He also would like some of the Board members to accompany him this spring to inspect these areas and work on establishing assessment areas.

Approve payment of the following bills: (Lien/Bosse, unanimous)

29765	Dave Titus Excavating	Install N. branch tile	21,250.00
29942	James Bosse	Travel	6.00
29943	Jacobson Excavating	Clean ditch & install culvert	400.00
29944	Dan Jacobson	Travel	1.50
29945	Maynard W. Lien	Travel	10.00
29946	Mathison Company	Laminate 2 maps	55.42
29947	ND Water User's Ass'n	1997 Dues	300.00
12553	James Bosse	1 PD less 4.59 taxes	55.41
12554	Dan Jacobson	1 PD less 4.59 taxes	55.41
12555	Maynard W. Lien	1 PD less 4.59 taxes	55.41
12556	Sherry Hosford	Sec. salary less 15.30 taxes	184.70

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1997 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

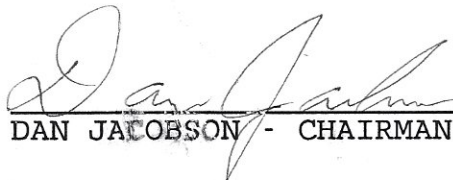
Chairman Jacobson called the special meeting to order with the following members present: Jim Bosse, Mike Paczkowski and Dan Jacobson. Absent: Maynard Lien and John Totenhagen.

The purpose of the meeting was to review descriptions and maps of the land which flood easements are needed for the Silver Lake project. The Board reviewed the Orvis Silseth, Charles E. Herman, D. Donley Hom and Lowell Olson land. The appraisal on the Hom land was received 1-24-97. Several proposals were discussed and landowners will be contacted and invited to the regular meeting of the Board.

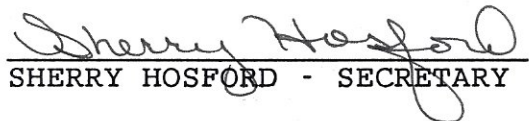
Received a letter from Duane Breitling on the Gibbon culvert problem. Mr. Breitling states that NDCC 61-21-32 does not require the Board to pay the cost of diverting the water as suggested in a letter dated 1-28-97 from Mr. Cichy. The Board called Mr. Breitling and agreed that he should send letter informing them that this Board will not pay any costs associated with the diversion. The Board authorized Mr. Breitling to indicate to Mr. Cichy that any agreement that his clients and the township can work out concerning work along the south side of Section 3 is acceptable to them. Additionally, the Board would have no objection to the 30" culvert that presently goes south being flipped so that it would allow water to go from west to east along the south side of Section 3. Any plan that is proposed should be submitted to this Board for review and approval.

The Board asked questions of Mr. Breitling regarding the Silver Lake project. He agreed to prepare easements for the Silseth and Herman land and check whether or not an easement is needed for the US Fish and Wildlife land. Mr. Breitling is also preparing paper work for the Hom land.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1997 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, NORTH DAKOTA

The meeting was called to order by Sherry Hosford, Secretary and the Board proceeded to organize for 1997.

Managers present: James Bosse, Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski and John Totenhagen. Absent: Richard Engst.

Nominations for Chairman: Dan Jacobson. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous ballot)

Nominations for Vice-Chairman: Jim Bosse. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous ballot)

Reappoint Sherry Hosford, Secretary-Treasurer. (Paczkowski/Bosse, unanimous)

Richard Engst arrived at the meeting. He was appointed to replace Maynard W. Lien for a three year term. Signed his Oath of Office.

Approve minutes and financial statement. (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Johnson met with the Board regarding a water problem in the SW1/4-12-132-54. He is being taxed \$19.62 for a special assessment and the water is forced on his land. He would like caps on the culverts to stop the excess water. The Board explained the assessment process and percentage benefit applied to the land. They also suggested that other farming practices might be more beneficial to this land.

Orvis Silseth arrived and the Board explained the need to obtain flood easements on land and road right-of-way for the Silver Lake project. The Board agreed to pay Mr. Silseth \$1,000 for a floodage easement on a certain strip of land lying and being in the NW1/4-3-129-55 (5.39 acres). When the papers are ready to sign, the Board will contact Mr. Silseth.

Don Kiefer is concerned about a drainage problem in Section 18-129-53 LTL. He stated that all the water runs east and down to a culvert. The blockage in the road ditch cannot hold water or the Water Board will have to clean it out and charge against the taxes. Don felt the blockage will be washed out this spring. He was also concerned about other water problems and asked for any help or suggestions that the Board might have to reduce the problem.

The Board authorized the Chairman to submit an application for a Conditional Water Permit to ND State Water Commission for the Silver Lake project. North Dakota Game and Fish Dept. sent a letter stating they have decided not to participate in the fishery project or raising the water level in Silver Lake at the current time. The Board and county commissioners plan to ask for a meeting with Game and Fish to find out the reasons for denial of funding.

Approve Flood Easement in perpetuity, over and across that certain strip of land lying and being in the NW1/4-4-129-55 to Lowell O. and Darlene D. Olson for \$10,000.

The Roadway Drainage Permits workshop has been rescheduled for March 25, 1997 in Carrington. All members plan to attend.

Approve payment of the following bills: (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous)

29727	Harold Lawrence	Dr #3 work	300.00
29755	Sargent County Treas.	1996 matching social security	1407.40
29764	John Totenhagen	Travel	43.00
29966	Darlene D. Olson	Flood Easement	10000.00
30031	ND State Water Comm.	Cond. Water Permit fee	100.00
30138	A & M Company	Hom land appraisal	700.00
30139	James Bosse	Travel	12.00
30140	Dystes	Supplies	25.97
30141	Richard Engst	Travel	12.50
30142	Dan Jacobson	Travel	7.50
30143	Moore Eng., Inc.	Silver Lake-\$7795.40; Dr #11-\$2457.25 and Dr #4-\$240.00	
30144	Ohnstad, Twichell	Silver Lake-\$236.00 & Milnor Township/Gibbon-\$797.79	
30145	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	33.00
30146	John Totenhagen	Travel	19.00
12613	James Bosse	2 PD less 9.18 taxes	110.82
12614	Danny Jacobson	5 PD less 22.95 taxes	277.05
12615	Mike Paczkowski	3 PD less 13.77 taxes	166.23
12616	John Totenhagen	8 PD less 36.72 taxes	443.28

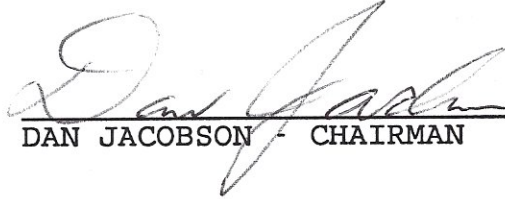
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12617 Sherry Hosford
12618 Richard Engst

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1 PD less 4.59 taxes

184.70
55.41

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1997 AT 1:00 PM IN THE RICHLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE, WAHPETON, NORTH DAKOTA

A special meeting was called by the Richland County Water Resource Board to discuss the Park Lake water problem. Members attending: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski and Richard Engst. Absent: Jim Bosse and John Totenhagen. Also attending: Sherry Hosford, Richland Water Resource Board members, Attorney Duane Breitling, Richland County Commissioners, Randy Gjestvang, SWC; Jack Lalor, Tewaukon Refuge Greg Link, ND Game & Fish Dept.; and some landowners.

Richland County would like permission to drain more water from Park Lake into SC Dr. #3. Mike Paczkowski stated that Dr. #3 cannot hold anymore water. Richland County is aware of this but is there a project than can go in to resolve future problems. Discussed the 1996 agreement but with all the snow this problem will arise again this spring. Can Kennedy Slough (east of Park Lake) hold more water? This is F&W and they would have to review. What is the natural flow? Sargent County would prefer to have cuts filled in and control Dr. #3 until it can handle more water.

A solution would be an agreement with Sargent County to drain down at off-peak time into Dr. # 3 with the control from Sargent County. Mike indicated the excess water has caused many beaver dams to occur and the landowners are removing them and not being reimbursed.

The Richland County Commissioners are concerned about the county road on the north end. Regulated flow would have to be controlled to save the road. Some feel the water will go to the northeast, while others feel it will go west and overflow and roads and ditches.

Randy Gjestvang stated that one inch of run-off required 1,000 acre-feet of storage. The Park Lake/Kennedy Slough area will hold 840 acre-feet of water.

It was decided to conduct a public meeting in Lidgerwood with landowners to discuss the options available and what to do with future water. Richland County will host the meeting.

Submitted by,



SHERRY HOSFORD, SECRETARY
SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1997 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, NORTH DAKOTA

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, John Totenhagen, and Mike Paczkowski. Absent: Richard Engst.

Tom Hillestad, NDDOT, met with the Board at their request to discuss drainage changes on a project located 4 miles west of Gwinner on ND 13. This project was approved by NDDOT in June, 1992 and the work did not get completed. Tom agreed to talk to the engineer and work on the project this spring when conditions allow.

Richard Engst arrived at 9:45 a.m.

Jeff Breker arrived to discuss his land contract. Some of the land (51 acres) expires under the CRP contract and Jeff would like to sign up again. He offered the Board \$30/acre and the Board accepted if it goes in under CRP. If the land is not accepted, the rent will be reconsidered. (Paczkowski/Bosse, unanimous) Jeff says the spurge is bad west and southwest of the dam. The Board will inspect in June.

Approve minutes and financial statement. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous) Reinvest four \$50,000 CD's plus interest in twelve month CD's. (Bosse/Paczkowski, unanimous)

A representative from the ND Game and Fish Dept. will meet with the Park Board and county commissioners on April 1st at 10:00 am to discuss the denial of funding for the Silver Lake project. Board members plan to attend.

Instruct Secretary to bill Richland County Water Resource Board \$1,371.47 from their Drain No. 11 (inlet to SC Drain No. 3). This represents \$.50/benefited acre.

Appoint Mike Paczkowski as Sargent County representative to the Tri-County Drain Executive Board and Richard Engst as alternate.

Received a Drainage Complaint from Theresa Arth/Arth Family on drainage in the NW1/4-14 and NE1/4-14 in Herman Township. The Board will investigate on March 27.

Bernard and Marlene Vculek met with the Board on Drain No. 11 status. Mr. Vculek talked to several people from the State Water Commission to see what can be done downstream to allow the water to flow from the drain. He said the state will pay 25% for snagging and clearing trees from the river. The Board informed Mr. Vculek they had sprayed last fall and will see how that helps this spring. He had information about irrigation and observation wells and statistics that prove there is less water from the north due to irrigation. Mr. Vculek plans to continue contacting individuals and agencies to pursue any assistance available to make the draining of Drain No. 11 more effective.

Received Application to Drain from Brian Vculek on the SW1/4-5-131-57 and Julie Vculek on the NE1/4-16-131-57. These application must be sent to the state first. Instruct secretary to send to the State Water Commission.

Read information on the Project WET Explore Your Watershed Summer Water Institute scheduled for July 21-25, 1997, at the Western 4-H Camp near Washburn, ND. The Board agreed to pay the \$110 cost per person for any teacher in Sargent County to attend.

Completed Reservoir Water Use Surveys for Silver Lake, Nelson, Frenier, and Brummond Dam for the ND State Water Commission.

Richard reported he attended a meeting with DeLamere residents and they want the drain cleaned through town. This is not an assessment area and the residents would be better off if they cleaned it themselves. We will check for some old records on a drain in DeLamere.

John explained a problem in Section 24-132-57 with water over the road. The township would like to pump the slough. The NDDOT should be contacted and downstream landowners.

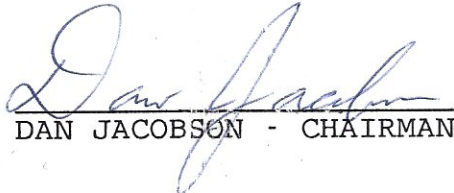
Approve payment of the following bills: (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous)

30335	James Bosse	Travel	16.50
30336	Richard Engst	Travel	7.50

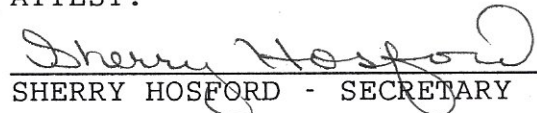
30337	Dan Jacobson	Travel	4.50
30338	ND Water Resource Ass'n	Dues	375.00
30339	Ohnstad Twichell	Milnor culvert & Silver Lake Project-Atty	588.00
30340	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	33.00
30341	John Totenhagen	Travel	19.00
12669	Jim Bosse	2 PD less 9.18 taxes	110.82
12670	Dan Jacobson	3 PD plus meal less 14.23	171.77
12671	Mike Paczkowski	3 PD plus meal less 14.23	171.77
12672	John Totenhagen	2 PD less 9.18 taxes	110.82
12673	Sherry Hosford	Salary plus meal less 15.76	190.24
12674	Richard Engst	2 PD plus meal less 9.64	116.36

Appoint Mike Paczkowski as representative to the Red River Joint Board and John Totenhagen as alternate.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.


 DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


 SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, Mike Paczkowski, John Totenhagen and Richard Engst. Absent: None. Also present: Betty Hewitt.

Approve minutes and March financial statement (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Tom Heimbuch, John Wentworth and Fred Holmgren arrived at the meeting to discuss the elevations on crossings in the outlet of Drain No. 11. Jim Bosse called Chuck Just to get the 1969 Bureau of Reclamation readings. He will send them to the Board. Jerry Bohnenkamp has been contacted to clean out the cattails. John Totenhagen reported that no water from Big Slough is flowing because it hasn't crossed Co. # 1.

John Lien met with the Board to seek status of the Milnor culvert/Gibbon controversy. Judge Grosz contacted the Gibbon attorney and asked for status of this case by April 20th. John is concerned about culverts that the city and Mr. Ruby want to install. The Board plans to look at these when the water recedes. John reported that the work by the Board in the NW1/4-10, Milnor Township was washed out during the flood. They will look at this also.

Board members plan to attend the Silver Lake permit hearing on April 21, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. at the State Water Commission Office, Bismarck, ND.

John and Mike reported on the Roadway drainage workshop they attended.

Sandy Hanson is working on FEMA appeals for 1995 and 1996.

Application to Drain No. 2800 for Julie Vculek (NE1/4-16-131-57) and No. 2801 for Brian Vculek (SW1/4-5-131-57) does not involve drainage of state-wide or interdistrict significance according to the State Water Commission. The Board's investigation disclosed that the proposed drainage of No. 2800 and 2801 will not flood or adversely affect lands of the downstream landowners because both will drain into Drain No. 11. (Totenhagen/Bosse, unanimous)

The drainage complaint from the Arth Family was discussed and the Board determined that the complainant doesn't have a standing to file a complaint because an existing drain was cleaned. The water follows the ditch to the river and due to excessive wet conditions, there is more water that flows through this area.

Instruct Secretary to send a letter to the North Dakota Regulatory Office concerning the purchase of Section 3-130-55 by the NDDOT and request a hearing at the courthouse in Forman. (Bosse/Paczkowski, unanimous)

Received drainage complaint from Vernon Erickson on land in the NE1/4 & SE1/4-4-132-53. The Board will investigate.

A roadway in Willey Township by Bob Bohnenkamp's is under four feet of water and no one can get in or out. The township wants to pump the water and the state says they will control the flow to protect the state road.

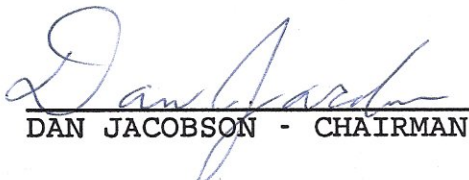
Chuck Anderson, Weber Township Chairman, called about a culvert problem between 34/35. He will check out the length. Ask for county/water board cost share. Approve 1/3 cost if county approves. (Bosse/Paczkowski, unanimous)

County road department installed another 30" culvert in Co. # 1 by Edwin Erickson's to get water off Edwin's farm. They have sandbagged the buildings and put plywood around the shop.

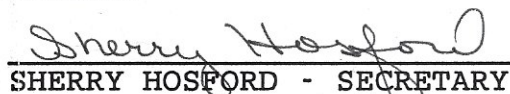
Approve payment of the following bills: (Totenhagen/Bosse, unanimous)

30489	James Bosse	Travel	64.25
30490	Richard Engst	Travel	29.50
30491	Danny Jacobson	Travel	67.00
30492	Ohnstad, Twichell	Silver Lake/Milnor Culvert	147.25
30493	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	224.00
30494	John Totenhagen	Travel	70.50
12739	James Bosse	8 PD less 36.72 taxes	443.28
12740	Danny Jacobson	10 PD less 56.59 taxes	543.41
12741	Mike Paczkowski	8 PD-28.00 meals less 38.87	469.13
12742	John Totenhagen	8 pd-28.00 meals less 38.87	469.13
12743	Sherry Hosford	Sec. salary less 15.30 taxes	184.70
12744	Richard Engst	6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 14, 1997 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, John Totenhagen and Mike Paczkowski. Absent: Richard Engst. Also present: Jim Lunneborg, Bill Nathe, Brad Wyum, John Lunneborg, Tom Wyum, Randy Pearson, Colin Stockstad, Sparky Engquist, Bill Smith and Sandy Hanson.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss water problems in Shuman Township around Buffalo Lake. The Water Board explained that in 1981 the Nathe-Wyum project in Sections 29-30-31-32-131-54 was studied by the State Water Commission and other organizations. The purpose was to establish a public creation facility. After hydrology studies and public meetings, there appeared to be lack of local support for the project and it was put in an active file.

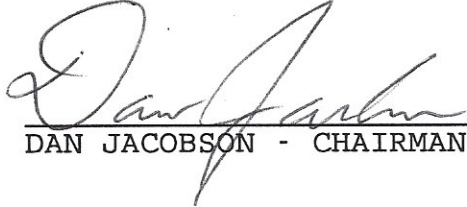
At the present time, there is adequate water for Buffalo Lake and the Nathe-Wyum area. It appears that the flow of the water from the south end of Buffalo Lake is going into this area naturally and also to the Malady Slough to the south of this area. This will help the overflow of the lake to the north.

Landowners from Shuman Township reported they have a contractor hired to clean out Crooked Creek from the outlet of Buffalo Lake to near the river. Each landowner is responsible for cleaning their portion of natural drain and has approval from Farm Service Agency. The Board explained they cannot force any water on downstream landowners without a floodage easement. The Board called Attorney Breitling and he recommended that the Board not grant the land owners permission to clean the natural drain out of the north end of Buffalo Lake. He recommended the landowner (Edwin Erickson) sandbag his farmstead.

Jerome Fiala arrived at the meeting to discuss the trailer court water problem. Sandy Hanson explained that a dike or sandbagging was discussed with owners of the trailer houses before the flood. The culverts on the state highway were discussed. The roads cannot be jeopardized from covering the culverts.

Heather Fiala met and asked why one trailer was sandbagged and not all of them. Sandy explained that the trailer owners took it upon themselves to sandbag.

Meeting adjourned.


 DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


 SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The special meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, John Totenhagen, Mike Paczkowski and Richard Engst. Absent: None.

Edwin Erickson, Shuman Township, presented a petition with 28 signatures petitioning the Sargent County Commission and this Board to cut through Co # 1, (17/8), Co. # 10 (8/9) and Co. # 1 (9/16) all in said township. Cuts to be of sufficient depth to let off at least 6 feet of water from Buffalo Lake. The action requested will allow the water from Buffalo Lake to flow to its natural outlet into the Wild Rice River; will relieve the flooding which is presently occurring; and, will prevent additional flood damage from being inflicted upon the affected property owners. It is further requested that permanent culverts of adequate size to prevent future flooding be placed at these locations after the emergency measures have relieved the present situation. Mr. Erickson informed the Board that from 4-23-97 until 5-1-97 the water has dropped 5.5". He asked for the original petition to get more signatures. He will return it at the next meeting.

Esler & Jan Swanson and Lloyd Ptacek arrived at the meeting to discuss a road that is washed out on Dr. # 11 between Sections 21/28-Harlem Township. Approximately 20 feet is washed out but placing a culvert in this spot would create problems downstream. Agreed to let water drain down and then install a 48" culvert. The road is adequately barricaded by the township.

Donald Wehlander arrived at 8:30 p.m.

Glen Thompson and Tom Heimbuch met with the Board about measurements on Dr # 11 culverts. They think there is a discrepancy in the engineers figures Jim suggested contacting Jeff Volk and asking him to put some elevation map together and meet with landowners to explain the measurements.

Steve Wyum and Lysle Coleman arrived at 9:10 p.m.

Donald Wehlander reported that three bridges are out east and south of Milnor. The Wild Rice River is out of its banks but the water is down some on the roadways. There has to be control to the water that is coming or more roads will be washed out. Cutting the roads will create a bigger problem.

Steve Wyum updated the Water Board on what has transpired near the Edwin Erickson home. The Corps of Engineers granted an emergency permit to the county to use the county road right-of-way to divert the water. The county did the cut and Mr. Erickson permitted the county to cross his land and dig a channel. The flow out of the channel is reduced and the county would like to install culverts in the Crooked Creek channel to allow the water to flow its natural water course.

Bill Smith arrived at 9:50 p.m.

The Board called Randy Gjestvang, Engineer, State Water Commission, for a report on his inspection of the Buffalo Lake area. He stated if the lake drops one foot, the flow to the south should stop. The inflow at inspection time was 125 cfs and the outflow 110 cfs. If the channel were widened, the outflow would increase by 55 cfs. Sparky did not widen the channel. The concern of washing out townships roads and flooding downstream landowners was discussed and agreed that culverts would help to control the flow of water.

Approve temporary 54" culvert between Section 14/15-Shuman Township and a temporary 48" culvert between Section 23/26 of said township as per request of township board. (Bosse/Engst, unanimous)

Approve temporary placement of a 48" culvert on Co. # 1 between Section 8/17 at 1169' elevation (as per channel profile prepared by Moore Eng. in 1995) in Crooked Creek waterway and temporary placement of a 48" culvert in Co. # 10 between Section 8/9 and another temporary 48" culvert in Co. # 1 between Section 9/16 all in 131-54 (Shuman Township). The culverts shall be in place until such time the water in Buffalo Lake recedes to the top of the 30" culvert installed in 1995 between Section 8/17-131-54. The Water Board requests the ability to regulate and monitor downstream flow. (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous) (See Special meeting minutes on 5-4-97)

Approve placement of a temporary 48" culvert between Section 16/17 at the same elevation of other culverts. This will allow the water to flow from the channel. The Water Board will maintain the ability to regulate and monitor the downstream flow. (Paczkowski/Bosse, unanimous)

The board received notice that the civil case between Kenneth and Roger Gibbon and this Board was dismissed with prejudice, on the merits, and without costs or disbursements to either party. Approve release of the bond. (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous) Mr. Breitling will contact Milnor Township to remove the culvert.

Milnor City sent a letter of thanks for the assistance and support during the recent flooding.

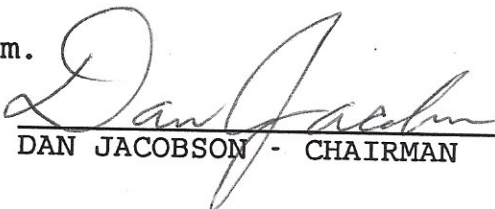
The opening between Section 9/10 in Milnor Township (SC Water Channel Imp. # 1) must be closed so landowners can cross the roadway with their equipment. Milnor City opened the road during the excessive flooding in their city. The Board approved placement of a 36" culvert in the roadway. This Board will purchase the culvert and install and Milnor Township is responsible for the gravel.

Received copies of the 1997 Tewaukon Operations Plan.

Dave Zetocha talked to John regarding a problem in Sections 32/33 of Denver Township. He would like regulator pipes through Co. # 2 to allow the water to flow into Dr. # 11. Tabled.

Applied to the ND State Water Commission for a dam construction permit for Silver Lake.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON MAY 5, 1997.

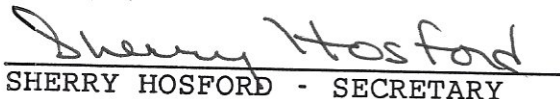
A telephone conference was conducted by Chairman Dan Jacobson. All members present.

In reference to the minutes of May 1, 1997, the Board changed the elevation of a temporary culvert on Co. # 1 between Section 8/17 from 1169 feet to 1165 feet. The culvert shall be in place until such time the water in Buffalo Lake recedes to the bottom of the 30" culvert installed in 1995 between said sections. (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Meeting adjourned.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. AT THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, John Totenhagen, Mike Paczkowski and Richard Engst. Absent: None.

Kenneth Mund and Kit Mund were in to talk about the crossing east of Milnor by the Kenneth Mund residence. He would like the culvert one mile east of Milnor lowered about two feet. He would like both crossings fixed as soon as possible. The Board will have FEMA investigate this area for possible funding.

Approve minutes of the last meetings and April Financial statement. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Mike reported that Park Lake is still flowing at a fast rate. He thought a larger culvert should be installed under the township road on the east side of Section 1-Marboe Township, which is the end of SC Dr. # 3. The Board decided to wait until the water recedes and re-check. Mike will continue to monitor the water.

Jeff Volk, Moore Eng., Glen Thompson and Lysle Coleman arrived at the meeting. Jeff proceeded to explain the water level at Mezarous Slough and east based on the HEC computer model. Jeff explained what 8' and 10' culverts would handle in cfs and about the only option would be to cut the roads. The Water Board does not have the authority to cut open roads. The design of the drain is for 6 foot culverts plus other odd ball sizes. To improve the system, channel improvement and clean out is necessary, not larger culverts. The questions comes to economics--are the people in the assessment district in favor of paying for a project to deepen the drain. If the backslopes were cleaned on one side, a little more capacity would be gained. The Board would have to apply for a state permit and buy more right-of-way than the original drain. In early 1980, public meetings were conducted and the people were not in favor of a project at that time. Glen Thompson would like to maximize all the 8' culverts to gain 200 cfs or about 20% capacity. This would drain 50 more acres per day. Mr. Thompson stated that he owns 23 quarters of land and only half are farmable. He would like a solution to this problem this year. The Board will consider public meetings this fall with updates on cost estimates for cleaning the drain and the outlet.

The Board received and read a letter from Atty Earl W. Anderson, Jr. regarding the water problem from Buffalo Lake to the Edwin Erickson farm.

Milnor Township culvert - Mr. Breitling sent a letter to the Chairman with the Stipulation for Dismissal and Order for Judgment. The Gibbons dismissed with prejudice. This means that the Gibbons can no longer contest the Order of this Board made on 8-15-96. Milnor Township must remove the 30-inch culvert but this Board has no objection to the 30-inch culvert being placed in an east-west fashion at that same intersection so as to connect Sections 3 and 4. This must be done before the end of May, 1997 and written notice provided to this Board when the work has been completed.

The dike on the Kiefer land has not been removed. May 1, 1997 was the deadline. The Board will contact a contractor to remove the dike and charge the work against the Kiefer taxes.

Instructed the Secretary to send a letter to Mr. Joe Kiefer regarding a water problem in Section 3 of Tewaukon Township. In September, 1993, Board members inspected said area and agreed to placement of a 24" culvert in the Ted Lee driveway and an additional 18" culvert in the township road with a cap. The agreement was that the cap could stay in place unless it causes problems with water in the Ted Lee yard. Mr. Kiefer was advised of this agreement and to remove the cap if problems arise.

Approve cost share of a 36" x 30' culvert for Rutland Township. Culvert to replace a 24" concrete plus a 30" cmp and placed on the north edge of Sprague Lake. (Totenhagen/Paczkowski, unanimous)

Vernon Erickson drainage complaint - Richard talked to both parties involved and the problem has been corrected and everyone is satisfied.

Bob McLaughlin crossing - discussed possibility of crossing CRP land this spring until water goes down. Additional culverts will be added when conditions are favorable.

Tri-County Executive Board met to discuss additional drainage from Ransom County. The whole Board is scheduled to look at the area to decide if they are in favor of accepting more water.

Raymond Martinson filed an Application to Drain in the NW1/4-22-132-53. The State Water Commission determined it does not involve drainage of state-wide or interdistrict significance. Approve pending acquisition of floodage easements from all affected landowners and approval from NRCS Office. (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

Land owned by ND Game and Fish Dept. and being assessed maintenance assessments on Drain No. 11 are exempt from paying such specials according to Section 61-16.1 and 61-21 of NDCC. Cancel specials on the following parcels for 1996 and future years: #1522, 4622, 4632, 4633, 4636, 4637, & 4638. (Bosse/Engst, unanimous)

Appoint Dan Jacobson as the Applicant Agent for FEMA Declaration No. 1174-ND.

Dick Ruby talked to Richard about purchasing some land and getting permission to remove surface water. The Board suggested he talk to NRCS to check the affected wetlands. If a culvert is needed, Mr. Ruby would be responsible for the culvert/cap.

Approve payment of the following bills: (Bosse/Paczkowski, unanimous)

30636	Bernard Mahrer Const.	Rock-clay-Dr # 11	152.93
30637	James Bosse	Travel	56.00
30638	Richard Engst	Travel	20.00
30639	Danny Jacobson	Travel	165.50
30640	Jerry's Backhoe Service	Cleaning - Dr # 11	485.00
30641	Ohnstad, Twichell	General, Silver Lake & Milnor Township/Gibbon culvert	597.50
30642	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	51.50
30643	The Teller	Publishing - Silver Lake	44.88
30644	Dave Titus Excavating, Inc.	Cleaning - Dr. # 11	900.00
30645	John Totenhagen	Travel	131.25
12808	James Bosse	7 PD less 32.59 taxes & meal	393.41
12809	Dan Jacobson	10 PD less 58.08 taxes & meal	547.92
12810	Mike Paczkowski	5 PD less 23.41 taxes & meal	282.59
12811	John Totenhagen	10 PD less 58.08 taxes & meal	547.92
12812	Sherry Hosford	Sec salary less 15.76 & meal	190.24
12813	Richard Engst	4 PD less 18.36 taxes	221.64

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 a.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. AT THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, John Totenhagen, Mike Paczkowski and Richard Engst. Absent: None.

Approve minutes of May 15, 1997 meeting. (Totenhagen/Paczkowski, unanimous)

Bernie & Brian Vculek, John Wentworth and Tom Heimbuch met with the Board to discuss water in Mezarous Slough. They would like the Board to proceed with cleaning the ditch because 20 or more sections of land are adversely impacted by the water. Dan explained that Jeff is putting together some information for a public meeting for the entire assessment area. Other comments included installing 10' culverts to move the water faster, get correct elevations and install adequate culverts, move drain from north side of roadway so all is on the south side. Moving the drain would require additional right-of-way, possibly a 404 permit and other loopholes. The group present said the water problems are serious and feel the Board should push forward with a project. They think the people are willing to pay extra to help alleviate some of the damage incurred.

114 Glen Thompson stopped by briefly to leave a letter with the Board requesting 10' culverts be installed to replace the 6' culverts. The Board received and read the letter.

Andy Wingenbach, NRCS, arrived to set up a date for the annual dam inspection. The state office is offering assistance in conducting the Wild Rice Creek review. They will accompany Andy and Board members on June 16th to inspect areas in the county. Andy discussed other programs available through NRCS, such as EQIP, Emergency Watershed Program and the new CRP sign-up program. Sargent County had 346 offers and 295 were accepted. The average per acre was \$43. NRCS has a buffer initiative along legal drains where CRP is located. Each individual landowner would be responsible to sign-up for the program. Andy has talked to Dick Ruby regarding a possible land transaction and when the Board decides on a culvert size, he would like to look at the site at that time.

Shuman Township is requesting 60" culverts to replace 36" between Sections 16/21 and 15/22. The Board reviewed the culverts upstream and downstream and will talk to the county commissioners before deciding on the size.

The 30" culvert between Section 4/9 of Milnor Township hasn't been removed. The Secretary was instructed to contact Mr. Breitling.

Mike reported on the Park Lake water problem and that Richland County is very appreciative of the cooperation of this Board. The temporary 18" culvert has lowered the lake substantially and it is recommended that a 24" permanent culvert with a cap be installed in Section 1 of ~~Marion~~ Kingsion Township. The control of the cap shall remain with the Sargent County Water Board. Approve 24" culvert - cost will be paid by Richland County. (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Silver Lake project - Still waiting for Charles Herman easement. Service is being made on Don Hom in Sioux Falls. The easements and partial releases have been filed on Orvis Silseth land. Agreed to compensate Mr. Silseth \$1,250.

Hire Crandall Construction to remove Kiefer/Banish dike and charge amount to Kiefer taxes.

Order 72" x 44' squash culvert to install between Sections 2/11 of Taylor Township (McLaughlin). This will be placed along with the existing 48" and 60" culverts.

Approve Farm Contracts to Jeff Breker and Roger Nelson on land owned by the Water Board for a three year period at \$43.50/tillable acre and leave the pasture at \$10/acre. (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

Dennis Dockter requested an 18" culvert for the northwest corner of the NW1/4-35 in Harlem Township. Approve 18" culvert if the township wants to replace at same elevation. (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous)

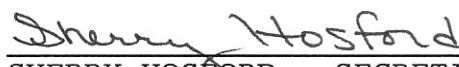
Discussed crossing by Donald Willprecht's and washing back on county road by Drain No. 3. Tabled.

Next meeting will be Monday, June 23, 1997 at 8:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 p.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD
ON MONDAY, JUNE 23, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. AT THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, John Totenhagen, Mike Paczkowski and Richard Engst. Absent: None. Also present: Dick Ruby, Bill Smith, Sparky Engquist.

Approve minutes of June 5, 1997 meeting and May financial statement. (Paczkowski/Bosse, unanimous)

Roger & Randy Gibbon, Dale Torreson, Philip Hoffar, and Loren Ellefson met with the Board to discuss the Milnor culvert controversy. The 30" culvert is still not removed according to Mr. Ellefson because the township cannot find anyone to do the work. The Gibbon's asked the Board to table removal for a year. The court has determined that the culvert must be removed. Other options were discussed but the culvert decision will not change. If the Gibbons choose to build a dike, they will accept all responsibility.

Joel Halvorson, Hall Township Board, presented a problem in the S1/2-26-132-53. The area is washed out and effecting the road to the east. The township hauled rock, gravel, and worked the area and there's still a large hole in the road. Crandall Construction will haul dirt, fill the hole and put on a flat top, but they need a restrictor. Approve 36" culvert. Suggest submitting project to FEMA because it involves a farmstead. If no help is available, the Board will participate with the culvert cost.

Mr. Halvorson has a personal problem in Section 17-132-53 with water ending up in his yard and no outlet. NRCS assisted in getting a permit from the Corps to put a culvert in the hill. He would like to install tile to eliminate the water in the ditch. He is working with NRCS but the Board reminded him that he must get proper permits and floodage easements from any affected landowners.

John Lien stopped in to ask about the time frame for removing the Milnor Township culvert. Dan will call Attorney Breitling.

Dick Ruby is buying the NE1/4-15-132-54 and would like to drain water to the drainage ditch. There is water up to the roadtop and the road is acting as a dike. Approve 18" culvert between the NE1/4-15 & NW1/4-14 at an elevation as determined by Andy Wingenbach, NRCS. (Bosse/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Glen Thompson, Barry Vculek, John Greenmyer and Steve Wyum arrived at the meeting to discuss Drain 11. Dan Jacobson looked at the area today and talked to Jeff Volk. A public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 24 at 8:00 p.m. in the Cogswell Community Center to discuss proposals for expanding the outlet, different culverts, ditch improvements-including 4-5 miles of natural drain. Commissioner's Smith and Wyum reported they flew over the drain and looked at all the crossings. They found no obstructions with the exception of three culverts one mile east of Rick Bosse's. Smith would like to close that township road, open it up and let the water flow. The Board questioned how much cover the culvert has and whether it would make that much difference. It would be up to the township whether or not to cut the road. Thompson suggested spraying the drain and put in larger culverts. He wants the work done now and not wait for the hearing.

Sparky explained a water problem between Section 32-33 in Denver Township on Co. #2. He would like to add another 30" culvert to the two existing. Tabled.

Sparky asked for culvert sizing between Section 13-24 in Ransom Township. A bridge replacement project has been cancelled by the county. Instead a culvert will be placed east of the bridge to accommodate some of the over flow. Approve 36" culvert. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous) A 24" culvert will be placed west of Elaine Kroeger's driveway. The county plans to upgrade the roadway between 13-14 to provide access to Kroeger's from the north rather than the east.

Dan reported that Jack Lalor, Tewaukon Refuge, expects a response from Denver the end of the month on the Fish & Wildlife easement for Silver Lake. At that time, all the Board's should meet to discuss F & W request.

Approve sizing of culverts between Section 15/22 and 16/21 in Shuman Township at 48" in each crossing. There should be one single culvert at each of these locations to replace the existing culvert. (Totenhagen/Paczkowski, unanimous)

Water Tours are being conducted throughout the state in July-September at various locations. Pre-registration is required.

Approve permanent placement of the following culverts in Shuman Township at the locations listed: 8/17-1 30" at 1163.5' elevation and 1 48" culvert; 8/9-1 48" and 2 30" culverts; 9/16- 1 48" and 1 30" (pull the high 30" culvert); 16/17-remove the 48" and install a 30" or smaller as an equalizer; 16/21-1 48" culvert to replace the existing; 15/22-1-48" culvert to replace existing; 14/15- 1 54" and 2 36" culverts (recommend removing one 36", but for economic reasons, could leave in); 23/26-2 48" culverts. The culverts placed on the township roads are eligible for cost share if the township makes a request in writing. (Bosse/Engst, unanimous) The county commissioners and township board will receive this information by letter.

Dale Keller called about a culvert by Lloyd Ptacek's and who pays for fixing the road. Dan will talk to Breitling.


Lake Agassiz Regional Council is requesting \$500 to assist townships in reviewing agricultural and flood plain building permits. Tabled.

Jim Bosse informed Board members that he has submitted a letter of resignation to the county commissioners effective July 17, 1997.

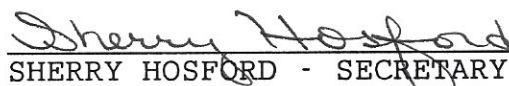
Approve payment of the following bills: (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

30970	ND Water Resource Assn Registration/John & Mike	90.00
30982	James Bosse Travel	29.25
30983	Richard Engst Travel	18.75
30984	Dan Jacobson Travel	27.50
31009	Jerry's Backhoe Service Cleaning ditches	260.00
30986	Ohnstad, Twichell Milnor Culvert-\$264.30 & Silver Lake-	358.05
30987	Mike Paczkowski Travel	91.25
30988	Louis O & Angeline Silseth Silver Lake easement	1250.00
30989	John C. Totenhagen Travel	118.00
12872	James Bosse 6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46
12873	Dan Jacobson 5 PD less 22.95 taxes	277.05
12874	Mike Paczkowski 8 PD less 37.49 taxes	452.51
12875	John C. Totenhagen 5 PD less 23.72 taxes	286.28
12876	Sherry Hosford Sec. salary less 15.30	184.70
12877	Richard Engst 3 PD less 13.77 taxes	166.23

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 a.m.


DANNY JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. AT THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Jim Bosse, John Totenhagen, Mike Paczkowski and Richard Engst. Absent: None. Also present: Randy Ptacek.

Approve minutes of the June 23, 1997 minutes as corrected and June financial statement. (Totenhagen/Bosse, unanimous)

Read a letter from Duane Breitling regarding the Milnor Township culvert. He is requesting a hearing with Judge Grosz on August 8, 1997 to obtain a court order for removal of culvert.

The annual dam inspection was conducted on 6/16/97 with all Board members present and Andy Wingenbach, DC and Brad Podoll, NRCS. The summary states that the channels are in good condition. There are some areas of leafy spurge along portions of most of the channels. This Board agreed to discuss the potential of releasing beetles in these areas or use other means to control spurge areas. All channels were open and functioning properly. Some volunteer trees may restrict flow if allowed to fully mature. Channel 9 (Wild Rice) existing brood ponds look in good shape. Some different locations for satellite ponds were noted and also some satellite ponds were not found. This Board and Brad Podoll, NRCS, are working on this to determine if there was an amendment to the agreement. Some trees in Tewaukon Channels #1 & #2 should be removed. Brummond/Lubke Dam needs a complete repair on the fencing around the dam. All dams are structurally sound and look very good. Vegetation is in excellent condition and water levels appear to be down from last year. All drains are functioning properly and are free from debris.

Approve request from Lake Agassiz Regional Council for \$500 to assist townships in reviewing agricultural and flood plain building permits. (Engst/Bosse, unanimous)

FEMA approved the appeal for Forman Drain No. 4 and remitted a check for \$22,315 for payment of the tile. Approve transfer of \$40,000 from Dr. #4 to General Fund to repay expenses paid when tile was installed. (Totenhagen/Paczkowski, unanimous) Approve payment as follows for 1995 crop damage on land along Dr. #4: 4 acres @ \$100/acre to Rick Hoistad = \$400 and 3 acres @ \$100/acre to Eugene Miller = \$300. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Shuman Township requested cost share of culverts placed in their township this spring. Send letter to Shuman Township asking them to submit to this Board a list of sites and sizes after FEMA has settled with the township. This information will enable this Board to make the proper cost share based on total received from FEMA.

Received a request from Herman Township for placement of a culvert on the township road on NE1/4-9-131-53. Approve placement and sizing of an 18" culvert at said location. (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

Authorize Secretary to send letters to Harlem and Sargent Township Chairman regarding road repairs in each township along the legal drain. Instruct the township to submit the damages to FEMA after they have made repairs and this Board will pay the difference from the FEMA share and actual cost to repair. Emphasize the importance of keeping good records for FEMA or some costs could be denied.

FEMA Field Office replied that the sites in 129-56 and 132-54 had been adjusted to reflect using sedimentary and rock debris in the channel that originated from the washouts for 80% of the fill materials required to repair the washouts. The original amount approved was \$8,456 and with the adjustment the amount was lowered to \$3,384. Send letter to FEMA informing them it would be impossible to restore the channel to pre-disaster condition with the reduced funding and request reinstatement of the original damage amounts plus the proposed mitigation to restore the channel and make the necessary improvements to prevent or minimize similar damages in the future.

Approve 1998 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$391,600 and total 1998 Drain Budget at \$96,500. (Paczkowski/Engst, unanimous)

Jim reported that Titus is not in the area but will call when he returns regarding installing culvert by Bob McLaughlin. There is also more

water problems on the tile south of Cogswell by the township road south of Todd Stein's.

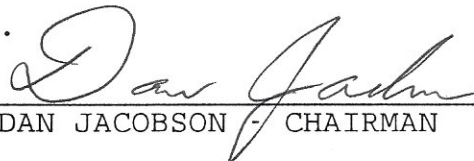
Instructed Secretary to contact the helicopter spraying company to get on their list for fall spraying. Board members will inspect areas and prepare map of areas to be sprayed.

Randy Ptacek was issued the Oath of Office as Manager of Sargent County Water Resource Board to fill the un-expired term of Jim Bosse. The Board expressed to Jim Bosse their gratitude and appreciation for 21 years of dedicated service to this Board.

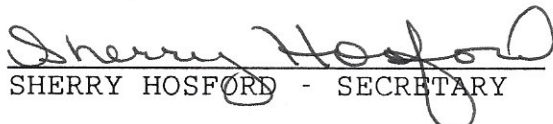
Approve payment of the following bills: (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous)

31114	Jim Bosse	Travel	17.25
31115	Richard Engst	Travel	12.50
31116	Rick Hoistad	4 acres crop damage(DR #4)	400.00
31117	Dan Jacobson	Travel	6.00
31118	Johnston Fargo Culvert	Culvert-McLaughlin's	3080.00
31119	Lake Agassiz Reg. Co.	Township land use project	500.00
31120	Eugene Miller	3 acres crop damage(DR #4)	300.00
31121	Moore Eng.	Milnor Twp. culvert	80.00
31122	Ohnstad Twichell	Mil. culvert-\$86.25 & Silver Lake	43.50
31123	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	347.58
31124	Randy Ptacek	Travel	5.00
31125	John Totenhagen	Travel	125.58
31126	TTT Center	Culvert Mtc workshop reg.	70.00

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, John Totenhagen, Richard Engst, and Randy Ptacek. Absent: None. Also present: Kent Carpenter, Ellery Rall, Bernie Vculek, Doran & Laurie Mallberg.

Approve minutes and financial statement. (Paczkowski/Engst, unanimous)

Kent Carpenter has a problem with water spilling out of Meszarous Slough outlet and he would like to place a culvert in the SE1/4-21 Sargent Township with an end cap to keep the water in the ditch. The Board recommended an 18" culvert with all expenses being Carpenter's. Kent explained another problem between Section 1 in Sargent Twp and Section 6 in Forman Twp - the landowner chisel plowed the section line and water drains on Kent's land. NRCS records show the map with the drain and they cannot remove it unless Welker approves. Did this Board have an agreement with the landowner to put in this drain? The secretary was instructed to research the minutes starting in the mid 70's.

The Board asked Doran Mallberg if there would be a problem with cleaning through his land on the outlet to Dr. # 11. He did not have a problem but would have to talk to his brothers. The Board is planning to spray this area next week.

Rex Ferguson stopped by to ask what is planned for the drain out of Cogswell. No water is flowing and they think the new tile caved in or is plugged. Bohnenkamp's equipment isn't big enough and Titus has a machine back in the area and could possibly clean out this area. Dan Jacobson reported he flew from Engevale to Silver Lake on 8-20-97 and water is still flowing from the north. The channel is open all the way but will spray and try to widen.

Glen Thompson joined Bernie Vculek and they shared the consensus of meeting and visits with other people since the public meeting on Drain No. 11. Suggested work to be done on Dr # 11 outlet from Meszarous Slough and timing of work: (The goal is to get the ditch back to original design or as close as possible with minimum cost). 1) Determine original elevation of outlet into Wild Rice (very urgent); 2) Because the Wild Rice has silted in over the years we must clean it to its original depth; 3) At proper time spray all cattails to insure proper flow into Wild Rice and Dr # 11; 4) Jim Bosse said that all caps for culverts coming into Dr # 11 were paid for by the landowner who wanted them. Therefore, encourage anyone wanting to keep possible flow from coming out of Dr # 11 onto their land to install a dike and/or caps on the installed culverts; 5) Install larger culvert on county road north of Brampton where it turns east (or a culvert capable of handling flow); 6) Next and very urgent is to install 4-10' culverts this fall--1997-- at the original designed elevation out of Meszarous Slough maximizing the remaining 8' culverts with head pressure. The original design of the ditch is 12' wide; 7) Save the 6' culverts to be installed upstream as soon as possible. (Example: Sargent County Road # 1 and south as needed); 8) Clean out ditch where it is too high or caved in from sides; 9) Money should be borrowed to complete project and maximum levy be put on the property. Dan Jacobson visited with Mr. Breitling on cleaning area of the Wild Rice and he recommended that the Board wait until a court case is settled that has been appealed to the Supreme Court. Mr. Breitling will inspect the river on 8-27-97. Mr. Thompson had culvert prices for the larger sizing. The Board agreed to talk to Jeff Volk to run a new elevation with a laser from Rick Bosse's east.

John Lien asked for the outcome of the Milnor Township/Gibbon controversy. The Board received an Order Pursuant to Motion for Order to Show Cause signed by Judge Richard Grosz stating that Milnor Township shall have until 5:00 p.m. on October 30, 1997, to see to the removal of the 30" culvert that was placed through the township road at the southeast corner of Section 4 and the northeast corner of Section 9 of Milnor Township. The township shall have 30 days (from August 8, 1997) to submit any information to the ND State Water Commission to review technical data. A status conference may be arranged by either party and unless the Water Board amends its Order of August 15, 1996, this Order shall, in all things, be final and the township, should it not comply with this Order, shall be subject to any and all sanctions available to the Court.

Ellery Rall, representing Milnor City Council, inquired about cleaning the portion of SC Water Channel Imp. # 1 through the city. Richard will talk to Sam about estimates. He stated Kit Mund is concerned about the roadway east of Milnor and that cattle have fallen in and the bank is caving in. This will also be repaired by the Hutterites. Mr. Rall had these additional concerns: 1) Water from lake to golf course floods part of the city because a drain has been filled in along the railroad tracks. City should be able to clean out this area so the water can flow its natural course; 2) Request a cap for a culvert on the northwest side of town by the slaughter house. Approved. 3) Could Water Board build up the banks along the drain - when this is cleaned the materials could be left for a berm. 4) Spraying cattails - city could provide community service workers and supervisors to spray on a regular basis - if it is cleaned this year, no spraying would be considered. 5) There is a silt problem along ND # 13 on the drain.

Silver Lake project - D. Donley Hom is appealing and requesting a jury trial. The hearing is August 27th at 10:00 a.m. Still waiting for Charles Herman easement. The meeting with the Tewaukon Refuge manager on August 19, 1997 was to consider a land use exchange. The agreement would amend the existing MOU to exchange 5 acres of land that may be flooded for 5 acres of land that would not be mowed. Refuge personnel would review annually to make sure the area is not mowed. Weed control and road maintenance would remain with the county. Two areas need a grade built and 2 culverts. This Board will oversee the placement of the culverts so as not to flood adjacent landowners. The county commissioners voted unanimously to approve said amendment to the MOU.

Minutes from the public meeting held in Cogswell on July 24, 1997 are a part of the Drain No. 11 file. Dan reported the culvert work between Section 2 & 11 of Taylor Twp. was completed by Titus on 8-18-97.

The NDDOT is working on the drainage changes along ND Hwy # 13 - 4 miles west of Gwinner and should have it completed by the end of August.

Prepared map with three areas for spraying and agreed to use the service of Davenport Ag Flying.

Transfer \$6,511 from Dr. # 11 to Dr. # 9 to repay money received in June, 1996 from FEMA for work on the cleaning of the Wild Rice River. (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

Dan reported that the sale of the Harold Olson land will proceed to the North Dakota Game & Fish Dept. because there was not enough opposition.

Jeff Breker asked the Board to consider changing his CRP Farm Lease Contract from 2 payments to one payment. Decided to leave as is.

Red River Joint Board is requesting \$6,900 from Sargent County for 1997 taxes. The levied amount will be \$6,000 based on the 1996 budget and no increase from the legislature.

Order two ND Water Manager Handbooks for the new board members.


Certify Drain Special Assessments for 1997 taxes as follows: #1-\$.25; #3-\$.75; #4-\$.50; #9-\$.25; #11-\$1.50 and #12-\$.50. (Paczkowski/Engst, unanimous)

Received a letter from Gwinner City stating that they are planning two street extensions on the north section of the City. Both extensions will cross on the natural waterway on the west side. They are asking permission for culvert placement. Dan will look at other culverts in that area for proper sizing.

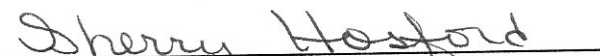
Approved payment of the following bills: (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

31354	Richard Engst	Travel	27.50
31355	Chas. & Jean Herman	Silver Lake Easement	800.00
31356	Dan Jacobson	Travel	40.00
31357	ND Water Resource Dist.	2 Handbooks	60.00
31358	Ohnstad, Twichell	DR#11-78.00; SL-\$447.25; Milnor Twp-culvert	458.15
31359	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	36.50
31360	Randy Ptacek	Travel	12.50
31361	Sargent County	Audit fee	315.00
31362	The Teller	Dr. # 11 notice	41.26
31363	John Totenhagen	Travel	24.50
12998	Dan Jacobson	8 PD less 36.72 taxes	443.28
12999	Mike Paczkowski	3 PD less 13.77 taxes	166.23
13000	John Totenhagen	3 PD less 13.77 taxes	166.23
13001	Sherry Hosford	Sec. salary less 15.30	184.70
13002	Richard Engst	2 PD less 9.18 taxes	110.82
13003	Randy Ptacek	4 PD less 18.36 taxes	221.64

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 a.m.


 DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


 SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1997 AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND.

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, John Totenhagen, Mike Paczkowski and Randy Ptacek. Absent: Richard Engst. Also present: Duane Breitling and Sparky Engquist

Mr. Breitling reported he attended the hearing for D. Donley Hom on the Silver Lake acquisition. Mr. Hom would like to sell the entire quarter of land to the Board. The Judge gave both parties 90 days to prepare land appraisals. The jury trial requested by Mr. Hom is scheduled for January, 1998. Charles Herman signed the easements and received \$800.

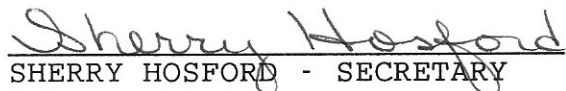
The culvert situation in Shuman Township was discussed. Dan talked to John Lunneborg, Chairman, and the township installed 48" culverts between Sections 16 & 21 and 15 & 22 as stated in a letter from this Board dated July 3, 1997. They are satisfied with that size. Sparky is in the process of relaying the 48" culvert between Section 8 & 17 and it was agreed to leave the 30" along side the 48" culvert at this location. The natural drain has been cleaned from Edwin Erickson's to the river and the water should flow nicely in this area.

The Board talked to Mr. Breitling about a possible cleaning to the outlet of Drain No. 11 (Wild Rice River). All members and Mr. Breitling proceeded to inspect the problem area.

Meeting adjourned.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, Richard Engst and Randy Ptacek. Absent: John Totenhagen. Also present: Jeff Volk.

Rex Ferguson, Bill Hayen, Doran & Laurie Mallberg, Sargent Township Board, met with the Board regarding a road problem between Section 9/16 of said township. Drain No. 11 intersects the road and a 60" culvert is caving in with the road top. The road has been flagged but Jerry Bohnenkamp will be contacted to dig out the culvert and pack with gravel. If the culvert is ruined a new one will be ordered and Titus Excavation contacted to install. The township will submit to FEMA. They stated a serious problem with muskrats undermining the roadside. The county commissioners will be contacted to get an extension on the permit that expired September 1, 1997.

John Totenhagen arrived at 8:45 p.m.

Jeff Volk proceeded to review a profile of the Wild Rice River (outlet to Dr. # 11) that he prepared showing alignments of the channel. The data is from the Bureau of Reclamation records in 1969. Several ideas were discussed including purchasing permanent floodage easements along the existing channel, developing a plan to clean, and waiting for the outcome of an appeal to the Supreme Court. Previous minutes show that the Board hired Ray Weise Excavating to clean a portion of the channel in July, 1979.

Jeff talked to the Board about the old tile drain (#16) that flows into Drain No. 11. The Board felt they should walk the 2 miles that are not complete and see if any blockages are apparent. Titus will be available to work after November 1st. Randy inspected part of the area earlier today and reported that there is some flow but other areas are very deep and full of water. Jeff agreed to contact Titus and get some estimates on the 12" tile to see if it is feasible to complete this portion of the drain.

The Hom jury trial is scheduled for January, 1998. The ND State Water Commission is re-drawing a fish barrier with a pedestrian access top. They would like to be contacted to get the project on their schedule for summer, 1998.

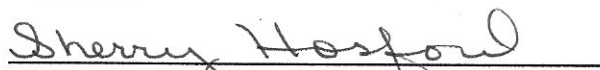
The 3 sites submitted to FEMA were approved and approximately \$7,000 should be sent to this Board for repairs.

Richard contacted the Hutterites and they estimated about \$1800-\$2100 to clean approximately 5,100 feet of SC Water Channel Imp. District No. 1 within the Milnor City limits. Authorize cleaning. (Paczkowski/Engst, unanimous) The Hutterites will be repairing the 2 sites and another area along the drain that has filled in.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.


 DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


 SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, John Totenhagen, Richard Engst and Randy Ptacek. Absent: None.

Approve minutes of August 21, 27 & September 4, 1997 meetings. (Paczkowski/Ptacek, unanimous)

John Lien met with the Board to protest a motion by the Milnor City Council to install an 18" culvert in the approach located by the old railroad tracks on 5th Ave. His concerns are: 1)the diameter of proposed culvert is too large; 2)County Drain No. 7 will not have an adequate bank to hold water within its confines during high water conditions; 3)a 24" culvert with flap cover installed in Dr # 7 that allows water to escape towards proposed new culvert location; 4)the potential discharge of raw sewage towards new culvert location by Ruby's Apiaries; 5)that additional water coming from proposed culvert will cause damage to his property and 6)a 15" culvert located in Dr # 7 and Ruby's west corner of lot 1. He requested that the culvert not be installed until the above areas are addressed and that Lyle Bopp be contacted about the 18" culvert.

The roadway near Kit Mund's will have a 36" culvert installed by the city and they will streamline the road ditch.

Duayne Baldwin, representing the Wild Rice Soil Conservation District asked the Board to support the Wild Rice Watershed project. The purpose of the project is to increase public awareness and understanding of the concepts associated with watershed management, as well as practical solutions to control NPS pollution.

Elvoy Askerooth and Louie Gaukler expressed concern of cattails and sediment in the Wild Rice River. The Board is planning to spray a double pass of the river in this area to eliminate the cattails.

Duwayne Dill, Verner Township and Mouritz Engquist met with the Board concerning a road east of Kraft Slough (along west side of Section 25). Later this month the Bureau of Reclamation will be inspecting this area and present a proposal to the township to upgrade this road and eliminate any travel hazard. This road grade may require additional and larger culverts and asked for Water Board approval and sizing. The Board requested the Township to meet with BOR, get recommendations and bring back to the October Board meeting.

Glen Thompson, Tom Heimbuch, John Wentworth and Bernie Vculek met with the Board and presented petitions signed by 44 people requesting that the first four 6' culverts out of Meszarous Slough be replaced with a minimum size of 10' culverts to help maximize the remaining 8' culverts. Dan reported that the COE from Washington, DC toured the area on 9-17-97. He also said, regarding the 404 permit to clean the outlet to Dr. # 11, that the 1997 declaration is the same as 1995 for emergency applications. He talked to a COE representative in Bismarck and they want some corps samples to review with the application. The COE wants to know the amount of fill, ditch width and depth. The Board may use NRCS Office to get the samples. Dan will talk to Andy Wingenbach. The spraying hasn't been done yet. Problem getting sprayer in this area.

Bob Nelson, David & Vernon Rubey and Jim Berndt are concerned with the water from Buffalo Lake. The Board explained that the water was blocked for 3 weeks for the county to finish the road project. There was 2 1/2' of water behind the dike and it will run for a while before it goes down. They are also concerned about the cattails in the river and the Board assured them that they are talking to sprayers to do the work this fall.

Authorize the Chairman to sign an Application for Department of the Army Permit to open Wild Rice channel by removing cattails, silt, sluff areas and other debris where blockage is indicated, to, in part, relieve excessive surface water in and around the city of Cogswell, ND and additionally to remove excessive wetland water that has inundated county roads for several months. (Totenhagen/Paczkowski, unanimous) Application will be faxed to Bismarck tomorrow.

Randy presented a petition signed by 144 Cogswell area people requesting that this Board take immediate action to resolve the present problems

with the new drain tile in Cogswell and drain system, extending to Dr. # 11. The petition stated that whereas, a new replacement plastic drain tile was installed in Cogswell in late 1996, for the purpose of removing excess surface water, and the city is still presently inundated with a threatening amount of surface water, compounded with the fact that the area has been assessed additional taxes in accordance with the amount of the benefit provided. Titus will be in Cogswell tomorrow morning with the trackhoe to dig out the pit areas and install a culvert in Sargent Township. Jeff Volk is waiting for prices on the tile and installation.

Approve August financial statement and authorize Secretary to cash CD #33037 on October 4 or reinvest for one month if the penalty is minimal. (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

Gwinner City request for culvert sizing was discussed. Dan and John investigated the area and recommended a 48" culvert at the south location and a 60" culvert at the north location. (Totenhagen/Paczkowski, unanimous)

Hall Township area between Section 26 & 35 (north of Dale Halmrast) was approved for 2 36" culverts. After investigation by FEMA, they recommend 3 48" culverts due to increase water from the river and a natural drain. This area washed out this spring and is being considered for FEMA funding. Approve 3 48" culverts at said location pending FEMA acceptance. (Paczkowski/Ptacek, unanimous)

The county muskrat permit has been extended until 10-31-97.

Wiley Township requested cost share funding on a 36" x 30' culvert placed in the Ethel Lunneborg driveway in Section 23. This culvert helped to relieve the water that was flooding the township road between Sections 25 & 26. Because culvert was placed in a private driveway, no funding is available from this Board.

Donald Willprecht requested more rock in a crossing located in the SW1/4-28-130-53. The Board has a policy for placing crossings at section lines only. A letter will be sent to Mr. Willprecht that additional rock will not be approved.

Vivian Township would like to replace an 18" culvert with a 24" between Sections 10 & 11. Roger White owns land on both sides. Approve upgrading culvert if it doesn't effect any downstream landowners. (Totenhagen/Engst, unanimous)

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

31532	Bernard Mahrer Const.	Rock & gravel-McLaughlin	479.30
31533	Richard Engst	Travel	51.75
31534	Dan Jacobson	Travel	28.95
31535	Moore Eng.	Dr # 11	5093.58
31536	Ohnstad Twichell PC	SL-\$444.70; GF-\$27.00; Milnor Twp-\$946.05; Dr # 11 - \$1031.25	
31537	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	60.50
31538	Randy Ptacek	Travel	29.00
31539	Dave Titus Excavating	Culverts by McLaughlin's	3865.00
31540	John Totenhagen	Travel	82.00
13058	Dan Jacobson	7 PD less 32.13 taxes	387.87
13059	Mike Paczkowski	6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46
13060	John Totenhagen	6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46
13061	Sherry Hosford	Sec. salary less 15.30	184.70
13062	Richard Engst	6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46
13063	Randy Ptacek	6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 a.m.


 DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


 SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1997 AT 7:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, Randy Ptacek, John Totenhagen and Richard Engst. Absent: None. Also present: Dave Titus

Discussed proposal to install 15" polypipe to complete the middle two miles of Drain No. 16. Mr. Titus quoted \$10.00/ft for approximately 10,550 feet through Sections 11 & 14 in Sargent Township. This area is deeper than the other tile and he could start as soon as the pipe is delivered. Payment for his work could be deferred over a three year period.

Fargo Water Equipment Co. quoted a price of \$4.40/ft for 15" N-12 perforated dualwall polypipe with bell couplers and fabric sock. Total proposal including tee, bends and caps is \$47,825.60.

Complete Drain No. 16 tile south of Cogswell with Titus Excavating 3 year contract at \$10.00/ft and tile provided by Fargo Water Equipment Co. at \$4.40/ft. (Engst/Ptacek, unanimous)

The Board asked Titus to do the cleanout of the Drain No. 11 outlet if the COE issues a permit and clean some crossings on the north end of the drain. He is willing to do this and will work with the Board on the scheduling.

Dan called Kelly Cooper to take some soil samples on the outlet. The Corps will use these to define the amount of silt in the ditch. Jeff Volk suggested that he drive in stakes and record all information to the water level. This would be helpful if the Corps required more information at a later date. Kelly will try to do the samples on 9-30-97 and contact Dan with the information.

Steve and Troy Jacobson asked for a culvert located south of their shop in the NE1/4-32-132-56. Approve a 30" culvert at landowners expense. (Totenhagen/Ptacek, unanimous)

Gary Beechie, FEMA representative, met with the Board to discuss Cogswell City. He will be meeting with city representatives later today and the Board asked if additional money could be allocated to this Board to offset expenses in removing the water from the city last fall. Mr. Beechie will inspect and review and let the Board know what he decides. He agreed to look at several sites on legal drains that are blowouts from the excessive water. Maps were prepared along Drain No. 11 and 3.

Lloyd Ptacek requested an 18" culvert between Sections 21/22 of Harlem Township. This is a section line but not a maintained road. Table until Mr. Breitling can be contacted on who has the authority to approve placement of this culvert.

Spraying the river and other areas was discussed. Richard talked to Danny Thompson and he will do a 66 foot pass with his airplane. The area would include about 8 acres/mile. The Wild Rice River near the Richland County line encompasses about 4 miles for a total of 32 acres. The cost of chemical and application would be \$2410. Authorize Danny Thompson to spray this area. (Paczkowski/Engst, unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

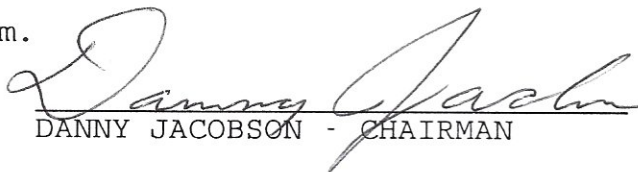
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1997 AT 7:30 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, John Totenhagen, Randy Ptacek and Richard Engst. Absent: None.

Dan informed members on the status of the soil sampling on the Wild Rice River. Kelly Cooper used a boat and probe for the samples and the water was 1 to 3 feet deep and there appears to be 2 to 4 feet of silt. Some areas had rapids for 300-400 yards. The Corps of Engineers would like more detailed information. Dan prepared a summary of the work with a diagram of the bottom of the channel at 12 feet with 1 to 1 side slopes. The information was faxed to the Bismarck office.

Duane Breitling received a proposal from Hom's attorney regarding real estate for sale in Weber Township owned by Alma Windmeuller. The Hom's would trade the flood easement acres for a 39 acre tract. Would the Water Board be willing to bid on this tract of land and if successful, trade with the Hom's? The Board discussed the proposal and agreed to bid the same amount that is held in escrow for eminent domain on the Hom easement land. Deadline for bids is October 17, 1997 at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Jacobson was authorized to act on behalf of this Board. He will talk to Mr. Breitling about additional costs and also assurance from the Hom's for the trade.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.


DANNY JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE SARGENT COUNTY
COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present:
Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, Richard Engst, and Randy Ptacek.
Absent: John Totenhagen.

Approve 9-18, 9-29 and 10-6-97 minutes and September financial
statement. (Paczowski/Engst, unanimous)

Dale Keller, Esler & Jan Swanson, Harlem Township Board met with the
Board to discuss township's responsibility with section line
crossings. They were told the township should put in for all
crossings, but the Water Board only said road crossings. FEMA
approved three sites for the township. Culvert installed and road
repaired on 1 site and the other sites are on hold until they hear
from FEMA. Who is responsible for installing culverts on township
roads that intersect drains? The Water Board is responsible for
maintaining the drains along or within the rights of ways of roads and
highways. Harlem Township received a couple bills for inconvenience
when the road was washed out. The bills are from Lloyd and Brent
Ptacek. The Board discussed these requests and does not feel they are
responsible for the bills. A letter will be sent to Harlem Township
with the decision.

LeAnn & David Even, Cogswell City, are getting lots of questions from
the people on what is happening. The Board is in the process of
finishing the tile. Titus planned to start as soon as pipe is
delivered. The project will go the 2 miles and hook the whole drain
together and hope to have completed before freeze-up. Once it is all
hooked together the Board plans to check the inspection holes to see
if the water is flowing out of town.

Tom Mund explained concerns on culverts in Co. # 12 between sections
19 of Hall Twp and section 24 of Milnor Twp. The NE1/4-25-132-54
drains east and enters the 2 32" culverts under the road. The 2 32"
culverts go through a 30" culvert between 19/30-132-53. Borg Lake ran
over this spring over the township road, through K. Mund and through 2
32" culverts. Water was going every way and ran over the road between
19/30 and then entered the creek. Would like a culvert in the slough
area between 19/30 to help relieve this problem but landowner doesn't
agree. Tom has asked for a solution but nothing has been done. To
match up the square footage for the 2 32" culverts, the 30" between
Section 19/30 should be a 42". Water Board has the authority to size
culverts but questions whether they can tell a township they have to
put in a culvert. Water Board will talk to the attorney and send the
township a letter with a copy to Mr. Mund.

Milnor Township culvert will wait until after October 18th to remove.

Silver Lake land proposal - Hom's want the Board to pay attorney's
fees, appraiser fee's and income tax consultant for a total \$11,977.01
plus filling in tracts "A" and "B" to raise the elevations. A second
proposal dropped filling the 2 parcels but still would request the
fees. The Board hasn't received anything in writing from the Hom's so
questions whether the Board should bid on the 39 acres in Weber Twp.
Attorney Breitling advised the Board to consider bidding for this
land. Deadline is October 17, 1997 at 5:00 p.m. Board unanimous
agreement not to pursue bidding on this land. Dan will contact Mr.
Breitling to prepare a letter to the State Water Commission informing
them of the status of the flowage easements for the Silver Lake
project.

Wild Rice River outlet cleaning - Corps of Engineers does not feel
they can approve this emergency permit until they send out letters to
agencies allowing them a comment period. They would change the
comment period from 30 days to 15 days. COE visited with Kelly Cooper

and feel that no wetlands are involved. They did indicate the possibility of doing some spot cleaning but the Board was later informed that they should wait until the COE talks to some other agencies.

Discussed the sites submitted to FEMA along drain right-of-way. Total amount allowed for all the sites is \$4381.00. Titus has completed some of the work on Dr. #11 and Mike will coordinate with Crandall on the sites in the eastern part of the county.

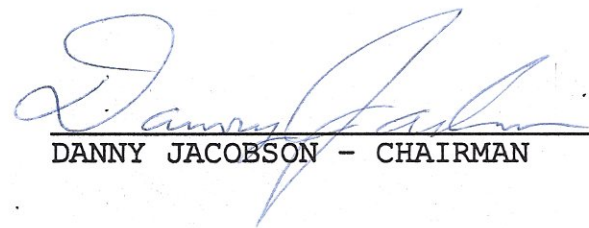
Request from Bill Gaukler to install a 24" culvert in the approach in Section 6-129-52 which affects Richland Co. Dr #11 and drains into SC Dr. #3. Approve said request with the Richland Co. WRB approval.

Approve paying one-half cost of laptop computer to be used by Water Board Secretary and Sargent County Auditor. (Ptacek/Engst, unanimous) Cost is \$1744.36. Amount paid from FEMA administrative funds.

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

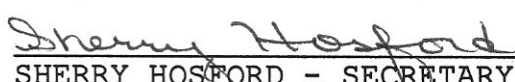
31636	Richard Engst	Travel	25.00
31637	Dan Jacobson	Travel	75.75
31638	Microage Computer Center	Laptop - 1/2 cost	1744.36
31639	Ohnstad, Twichell, P.C.	Silver Lake-\$1339.75	
		Dr #11	446.70
31640	Mike Paczkowski	Travel	99.00
31641	Randy Ptacek	Travel	15.00
31642	Sargent County	1/3 culvert - Sprague Lake	
			339.60
13121	Danny Jacobson	10 PD less 56.59	543.41
13122	Mike Paczkowski	6 PD less 18.82	227.18
13123	Sherry Hosford	Salary less 15.30	184.70
13124	Richard Engst	2 PD less 9.18	110.82
13125	Randy Ptacek	3 PD less 13.77	166.23

Adjourn at 11:30 p.m.



 DANNY JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:



 SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, John Totenhagen, and Richard Engst. Absent Randy Ptacek. Also present: Joel Halvorson, Jeff Halmrast, Tom Mund, Raymond Peterson, Marlyn Bogart, Wade Kuehn, and Dick Kuehn.

The Board invited Hall Township Board members in to discuss Tom Mund's request for culverts between Section 19 & 30-Hall Township. In reviewing the culvert map for Hall Township, there are 48-inch culverts between 29 & 30 and 20 & 29. The Township Board had trouble with the roadway washing out and had to close the road. This is not the first year they have had problems with the water. There are two 30-inch culverts under the county road and one could be plugged to see if this would correct the problem. This Board wasn't involved in sizing the culverts under the county and township road and the varying size is the problem. Water Board could ask the county commission to see if they would allow the closing of one of the 30-inch culverts. Another suggestion is to install a 24-inch culvert beside the 30-inch between 19 & 30 and not change the county road culverts. Kuehn's would like to see a larger culvert between 30 & 31. Concern expressed about cleaning road ditches and draining. Possibly clean out the road ditch from the south up to Kuehn's driveway. Landowners should work out this problem.

Tom Mund has an issue with a culvert between Section 17 & 20 (Raymond Peterson's) in Hall Township. An 18-inch culvert was installed because the road was built up and cannot act as a dam or dike. The road has changed in elevation and the culvert was placed at the very bottom of the ditch. Township and landowners work out problem.

Glen Thompson asked what has developed on Drain No. 11. The Board received a 404 permit to clean 400 yards on the outlet and the Corps is proceeding with the permit process on the rest of the outlet. Titus plans to clean out the area yet this fall. This area appears to be holding a foot of water. Until the entire mile is cleaned, the problem will continue. Glen is still concerned about the 10-foot culverts versus 6-foot that are holding up much water. Water appears to be a little lower than last fall. The Board informed Mr. Thompson the entire outlet was sprayed this fall.

Nancy Gibbon and Beverly Stone met with the Board regarding a culvert between NE1/4-15 and NW1/4-14-132-54. Dick Ruby did not obtain a flowage easement from Nancy. She is concerned about the high water table and water flowing into her yard. Dirt is silted in the road ditch. Culvert should be blocked until an outlet is established. Dick Ruby and Nancy Gibbon signed an agreement that Mr. Ruby will pay for drainage that will ensure the water travels east to stock pond and north to drainage ditch, within Sargent County Water Board approval. Nancy asked if Mr. Ruby could drain water down the west road ditch to the north. She will talk to Mr. Ruby.

Approve October 18, 1997 minutes and financial statement. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous)

Silver Lake correspondence - Authorize Dan Jacobson to sign the Plaintiff's Answer to Defendant's Interrogatories regarding the Hom property. Mr. Breitling sent a letter to the State Engineer requesting their department to move forward on the Silver Lake project with all deliberate speed.

Titus is working on the tile replacement and should complete this fall, if the weather holds.

The Milnor township culvert was removed on 10-29-97 at 4:00 p.m. Wayne Sebens returned the used culvert to the county. John Lien and Ardell Johnson paid for gravel on the road top.

FEMA projects - Titus completed the work on Drain No. 11 and Crandall Construction worked on Drain No. 3.

Richard reported that the SC Water Channel Imp. District # 1 project is completed. Some areas could have had the dirt on the other side. Dirt is not in anyone's way and shouldn't cause any problems but should be leveled later on.

Dan reported that Mark Hanson filled the ditch in the SE1/4-31-131-56. Send letter to Mr. Hanson that this Board approves the way it was plugged and said ditch should remain in this condition. A copy of the letter sent to Alan Welker.

Letter from ND State Water Commission regarding Arthur Silseth complaint about flooding of his property in Section 13-129-55. The Board inspected the area and doesn't feel there is a problem and the present culverts adequately handle the

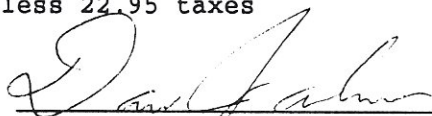
flow of water. Recently the Water Board installed a 48-inch culvert southwest of this area to alleviate the water from leaving that drainage area thus reducing the amount of water that travels to this area. Send Mr. Silseth a letter and copy to the State Water Commission.

Approve 1/3 cost share of 36-inch culvert between Sections 26/35 in Shuman Township. (Paczkowski/Totenhagen, unanimous)

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

32959 Thompson Aerial Spraying	Spraying Wild Rice River	2535.70
33137 ND Water User's Ass'n	Registration/convention	330.00
33152 Baker Enterprise	Dr # 3	165.00
33153 Cogswell Comm. Ass'n	Hall rental - Dr # 11	25.00
33154 Crandall Construction	Dr. # 3	894.00
33155 Richard Engst	Travel	33.50
33156 Fargo Water Equip.	Tile - Dr # 11	48497.63
33157 Danny Jacobson	Travel/phone calls	92.69
33158 Jerry's Backhoe	Dr # 11	270.00
33159 Land & Sky Caf	Meeting - SCW# 1	47.35
33160 Moore Engineering, Inc.	Dr # 11	3852.15
33162 Ohnstad, Twichell	Silver Lake	1522.65
33163 Mike Paczkowski	Travel	43.00
33164 Dave Titus Excavating	DR # 11-8140.00 & GF-1575.00	9715.00
33165 John C. Totenhagen	Travel	59.50
13190 Danny Jacobson	7 PD less 32.13 taxes	387.87
13191 Mike Paczkowski	4 PD less 18.36 taxes	221.64
13192 John C. Totenhagen	6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46
13193 Sherry Hosford	Sec. Salary less 15.30 taxes	184.70
13194 Richard Engst	5 PD less 22.95 taxes	277.05

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 a.m.



 DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:



 SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SARGENT COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1997 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER'S ROOM, SARGENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, FORMAN, ND

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Dan Jacobson, Mike Paczkowski, John Totenhagen, Randy Ptacek, and Richard Engst. Absent none.

Tom Mund met with the Board and Dan informed him that the county commissioners agreed to place a cap on one of the 30-inch culverts in Co. # 12 between Section 24-Milnor Township and Section 19-Hall Township. They will monitor the water problem and see if the cap is helping and also watch the roadway to be certain the road is not in jeopardy.

Mr. Mund also is concerned about a problem in Section 17-Hall Township. A culvert was placed between 17 & 20. What has this Board authorized on this culvert placement? Joel Halvorson did not apply for a permit - is it draining more than 80 acres? Mr. Mund had a copy of a minimal effect application from NRCS that Halvorson completed. The deadline was 11-1-97 for completion. The culvert wasn't a part of this application. This Board understands that the section line was built up and cannot use the road as a dike or diversion. Joel talked to this Board in June 1997, regarding installing tile in the dit and a culvert and he was informed that he must get proper permits from affect landowners, but if it is less than 80 acres this Board doesn't have jurisdiction. Th would be a civil matter between the landowners.

Myron Yagow, Charles Ellefson, and Bob Bussman and Marshall Lien, Willey Township Board members met to discuss a plugged culvert between Section 28 & 33. The roadway was under water approximately 2 feet and they would like to deepen the ditch and lower the culvert to allow the flow of water easterly. Board members talked to Mark Gainor, a Downstream landowner, and he did not have a problem. They are concerned about more plugged culverts and the Board suggested they put a notice in the paper informing the landowners that it is unlawful to plug culverts. Board also suggested they work with NRCS to make sure the landowners aren't in jeopardy with the farm program and to obtain flowage easements from downstream landowners.

John Hayen and Kent Lamb met with the Board on the tile north of Mathews land in Sargent Township. Mr. Lamb asked if some perforated pipe could be installed to eliminate the water problem between Section 14 & 23-130-57. Should be 18 inch and Titus is installing 15 inch now-will get some for this area. John Hayen inquired about the tile placement in Harlem Township that Vculek's are installing.

Approve November 20, 1997 minutes and November, 1997 financial statement. (Totenhagen/Ptacek, unanimous)

Dan reported the 400 yards in the Wild Rice River outlet has been cleaned out. Some information from 1969 minutes of this Board revealed that this portion of the river had been cleaned out. H & W Excavating Co. did the work. Dan sent these minutes to the Corps for their information. The Board placed a call to the COE in Bismarck and Jim Winter had reviewed the minutes and it appears a permit may not be necessary to clean the remainder of the outlet. The COE will follow up with a letter to this Board after January 1st. Dan was authorized to sign the Project Compliance Certification that the project was completed as permitted.

A progress report on the tile replacement project indicated that the contractor is working today and plans to complete the project December 23rd or 24th. Board members will be on site at the completion.

SC Water Channel Improvement District No. 1 work is complete and the cost was \$4357.5. The city authorized additional work in the golf course area and paid for that work.

Dan, Mike, and John reported that they met with the State Water Commission in Dickinson during convention. The SWC plans to do the Silver Lake dam project with their manpower. It is scheduled for August 1998. The fish barrier project is on hold for time being and will be handled as a separate project. A bridge for foot access was suggested. It would be about 270 feet long.

Authorize purchase of a Polaroid camera to use when inspecting projects and complaints. (Ptacek/Paczowski, unanimous)

Richard reported he talked to Dick Ruby regarding placing a cap on a culvert. Mr. Ruby said it is OK and Richard will see that it gets installed.

The request from Kyle and Peggy Lunneborg was discussed. The township will not build up the road unless they get permission from Fish and Wildlife to install a culvert. Richard will talk to the Lunneborg's.

Approve following transfers: (Totenhagen/Paczowski, unanimous)

From Drain Fund to:	Drain No. 3	\$9,000.00
	Drain No. 4	\$3,960.19
General Fund	Drain No. 9	\$1,243.90

	Drain No. 12	\$3,000.00	Total \$29,104.09
From General Fund to	Drain No. 11	\$28,682.90	

Cancel following drain assessments for 1997: (Totenhagen/Ptacek, unanimous) Parcel No. 6-4501-2480 \$.04; 6-37-2447 \$.11; 7-12-2542 \$.04; 9-1-3006 \$.15; 12-8-4039 \$.50.

The Board placed a conference call to Attorney Duane Breitling. The Hom land acquisition for Silver Lake Dam was discussed and the Board agreed to offer Hom \$26,000 to settle. (Note: Mr. Breitling called back later in the meeting and indicated that Hom would not settle but would do away with the jury trial). Mr. Hom's attorney will get final papers out to Mr. Breitling in the next few days. The court date is scheduled to begin January 21, 1998.

Also discussed with Mr. Breitling the tile drain south of Cogswell. Randy reported he has looked at the tile after Paul Mathews said there is leakage. Randy feels it happened in the spring when the water was high. The Board agreed to investigate in the spring to see if this problem occurs again and if it does they will replace the couplers.

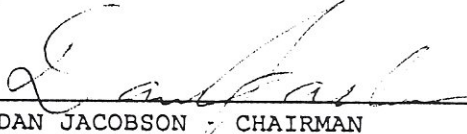
Kenneth Mund stopped at the meeting to inquire whether the Board will be doing anything with the hole north of Kit Mund's. The work is scheduled for next spring and they will get bigger rock in the area after filling with clay. It is possible the culvert should be lowered to the east. The engineer will look at this prior to spring work.

Approve \$300 additional compensation for Secretary for extra meetings and work. (Totenhagen/Ptacek, unanimous)

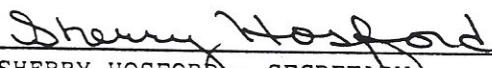
Approve payment of the following bills: (Paczkowski/Engst, unanimous)

33303 Richard Engst	Travel	19.50
33304 Hospitality Inn	Lodging	389.48
33305 Dan Jacobson	Travel	49.50
33306 Jerry's Backhoe Service	Cleaning Dr # 11	100.00
33307 Ohnstad Twichell, P.C.	Silver Lake project	875.20
33308 Mike Paczkowski	Travel	78.00
33309 Randy Ptacek	Travel	10.00
33310 Sundale Hutterian Ass'n	SCWC # 1 clean out	4357.50
33311 Titus Excavating Inc.	Dr # 11	2445.00
33112 John C. Totenhagen	Travel	199.00
13248 Dan Jacobson	9 PD less 41.74 taxes	498.26
13249 Mike Paczkowski	7 PD less 32.13 taxes	387.87
13250 John C. Totenhagen	6 PD less 27.54 taxes	332.46
13251 Sherry Hosford	500.00 less 38.25 taxes	461.75
13252 Richard Engst	3 PD less 13.77 taxes	166.23
13253 Randy Ptacek	2 PD less 9.18 taxes	110.82

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.


DAN JACOBSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


SHERRY HOSFORD - SECRETARY