

DICKEY-SARGENT JOINT WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 16th, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.

The Dickey-Sargent Joint Water Resource District met on Thursday, April 16th, 2026 at 8:00 a.m., in the water resource district board room at the Sargent County Courthouse in Forman, North Dakota. The following Joint Board voting members were present: Chairman Steve Hansen, Vice-Chairman John Quandt, Roger Zetocha and Todd Stein. The following were also present: Bruce Speich and Michael Wyum, Sargent County Water Resource District Managers; Dickey-Sargent Joint Board Administrator, Wendy Schmiess, Nathan Trosen, Moore Engineering and landowner Richard Ruch. Sean Fredricks, Stephen Hilfer, and Katie Schmidt, Ohnstad Twichell appeared virtually. Debra Gaukler, Jakob W., Andrew Smith of Moore Engineering and landowner Leon Mallberg also appeared virtually.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Minutes

Manager Wyum moved to approve the January 15th, 2026, meeting minutes. Manager Stein seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion carried unanimously.

Jackson Township Improvement District No. 1 Project

Manager Quandt said that the pumps were turned on April 1st. The water level was about 1 ½ feet above the desired level. One pump ran for a couple days, and then the second pump was also turned on. Currently there is only one pump running. Quandt said the water level has dropped about a foot. The pumps are running well.

Bills

Manager Stein moved to approve payment of the following bills:

DVEC – electricity –

\$ 160.00

Manager Zetocha seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

IIG 2026 Utility Permit Extension

The Dickey-Sargent Joint WRD approved a Utility Permit for Intermountain Infrastructure Group, LLC (“IIG”), at the Board’s meeting in May of 2025. The permit had a one-year term; IIG was unable to complete all of the permitted construction in 2025 and requested an extension through the end of 2026. Construction will commence once the weather allows in the spring of 2026. Manager Quandt moved to approve an extension of IIG’s Utility Permit through December 31, 2026. Manager Zetocha seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Manager Quandt said there is a multi-owner tile project in the works that would be in the watershed of the Dickey-Sargent Joint Drain. Quandt said that at the current time more analysis is needed and an application will be presented to the board once all the necessary information is collected.

Manager Quandt said that spraying of drain has been set up for the spring and Ross Hansen will do the spraying via drone.

Next Meeting Date

The Joint Board will meet next on July 16th, 2026.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 a.m.

APPROVAL:

Steve Hansen, Chair

ATTEST:

Wendy Schmiess
Secretary-Treasurer