

Barnes County Water Resources  
February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
Meeting minutes

Present:  
Jeff McMillan  
Pat Hurley  
Don Johnson  
Absent:  
Harlan Opdahl

Also in attendance: Mr. & Mrs. Milton Sauer, Shelly Nelson, Joe Belford, Mr. & Mrs. Milo Bucholz.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff McMillan.

Motion by Pat to approve minutes of January 2006 meeting, seconded by Don Johnson, motion carried.

Motion by Don to approve revenue & expenditure reports for January 2006, seconded by Pat, motion carried.

Milo Bucholz was present to express concerns over the board's previous decision on the cleaning out of a ditch in section 22 of Norma Twp. It was decided to require Mr. Bucholz to hire a contractor and to pay a \$500.00 bond to ensure the completion of the work. Mr. Bucholz felt that this was unreasonable when he planned to do the work himself and was willing to clean the ditch for others at no cost. The Board decided to talk to landowners affected one more time to see if an agreement could be reached. Mr. Bucholz promised to clean up all spoil piles within a reasonable time. NRCS will monitor the depth of the cleaning. Mr. Bucholz has already talked to Brent at NRCS. Mr. Bucholz requested to have the Board to get written permission from Jim Hendrickson and Myron Nelson. Pat will contact both men and set up a meeting time. Pat suggested that the Water Board pickup the cost of leveling the spoil piles if Jim Hendrickson agrees to let the project proceed. This will be discussed further at the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Pat moved to table the communications from Moore Engineering until more is known about the project, seconded by Don, motion carried.

Bills presented for payment:

Phone \$2.79  
Cost share of Bentonite with BC Soil Conservation \$100.00

Motion to pay bills by Pat, seconded by Don, motion carried.

Joe Belford was in attendance. Joe presented an informative about Devils Lake, Stump Lake and the Tolna Coulee. He showed different plans to relieve the rising water of Devils Lake.

Communications were received from the State Water Commission. They are requesting a Water Development Report from the BC Water Board. This was tabled until the March meeting. Each Board member is asked to come with project ideas for 2006. This report needs to be sent in By March 17<sup>th</sup> 2006.

Milt Sauer expressed his aspirations. He would like work on both local and statewide related water issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am by Chairmen Jeff McMillan.

Next meeting, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM, BC Highway Dept. Conference Room.

Respectively submitted

Jamie Smith, Secretary