

Barnes County Water Resource District
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Minutes

Present: Jeff McMillian, Don Johnson, Pat Hurley

Also present: Brent Gustufson, Shelly Nelson, Richard Vogel, Marion Vogel, Jim McAllister and Richard Monson.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jeff McMillian.

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 12th, 2007 meeting was made by Pat. Seconded by Don, motion carried. A motion to accept the Revenue & Expenditure reports was made by Pat. Seconded by Don, motion carried.

Richard Vogel addressed the board about concerns of a culvert that needs to be equalized in the NE ¼ of Section 2, Anderson Twp. and Section 35, Edna Twp. The culvert was installed in the 1950's and is lower than the ground. Mr. Vogel is requesting that it be equalized and that the culvert be increased from a 12" to 18". Pat moved to have the townships equalize the culvert and increase its size to an 18" upon the Townships approval. Seconded by Don, motion carried.

Marion Vogel commented that water has been a struggle for many years and that tree's in a drain may be a problem. Jeff agreed that the area should be looked at and that he would stop by there. Brent Gustufson from the NRCS instructed the Vogels to contact the NRCS and to fill out the proper paperwork.

Concerns over cattails plugging a drain were brought to Jeff's attention by Gary Jorrison. This area is protected by the Fish and Wildlife. Jamie will contact Ed from Fish & Wildlife to discuss options.

Jeff stopped by the Bill Cruff residence to check on water backing up in Section's 29+30 of Ashtabula Twp. Jeff recommended that, with the approval of Ashtabula Township, another culvert should be put in the SE ¼ of Section 30 and the SW ¼ of Section 29, just north of the intersection.

Culvert agreement for Sections 9+10 of Getchell Township was reviewed and approved. The Getchell Township board will be installing a 24" pipe to replace the 18" that is currently there.

Pat moved to pay the bills, seconded by Don. The motion carried.

Jim McCallister, Barnes County Weed Officer, and Richard Monson discussed the Water Milfoil eradication plan with the Board. The North Dakota Game and Fish has agreed to pay for the Aquatic 2 4D and also for the testing. Jim, Richard and Jamie will work together on a press release. The plan is to treat the water sometime in late May or early June.

Pat moved to adjourn, seconded by Don.