

**Barnes County Water Resources**  
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**Minutes**  
May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007

Present: Jeff McMillan, Pat Hurley, Don Johnson  
Also Present: Brent Gustafson, Kerry Johnson-Barnes County Highway Superintendent

Meeting called to order at 7:00 AM by Chairman Jeff McMillan.

Pat moved to approve the April minutes. Seconded by Don, motion carried.

Pat moved to approve the Revenue and Expenditure reports. Seconded by Don, motion carried.

Pat Hurley was notified of a dam that was constructed in a fence line between the SW 1/4 & SE 1/4 Section 12, Rosebud Township. Pat visited with the landowner/complainant. The land will be surveyed to established weather the fence line is on their property. Brent from NRCS stated that in accordance with NRCS regulations, the fence line can be removed so long at it is to its original ground level.

Bill Froemke from Litchville contacted Pat about capping a culvert that runs under County Road 11 between Sections 35+36 in <sup>Rosebud</sup> Spring Creek Township. He would like to see the water run on the west ditch running south to State Highway 46. Kerry Johnson will look at the area to see how it will affect the County road. He stated that a trial cap would be fine. The Board decided to have Tim Logan survey the ditch to see if the water will flow. Questions were raised as to weather the culvert south will handle the volume of water and if the ND DOT should be notified. Jamie will contact Logan and the DOT.

Kerry Johnson informed the board that the Highway Department has replaced pipe under County Road 17 south between section 18 of Marsh Township and section 13 of Green Township. The Highway Department also cleaned out the right of way. Mr. Johnson requested that the field also be cleaned out. Brent from NRCS will check on this possibility and will let the Board know. A 1026 will need to be filled out by the land operator.

Tim Logan called Pat regarding run off into his duck/fish pond. He is requesting that the culvert be capped. The DOT will have to be involved with this. Jamie will get the photos from Tim and contact the DOT to see if this problem can be resolved.

The Board reviewed a complaint by Randy Jess in Section 17 Elssbury Township. He would like water diverted and allowed to drain. In the past there was a culvert that ran under the road, however when the overpass was built it was not replaced. Jamie will contact the DOT to see why the culvert was not put back in and how this can be resolved.

Duane Lettenmier raised concerns about the agreement that he and Chad Wendell have in section 23 of Hemen Township. According to the agreement Wendell's are to close two drains. The last rain event washed out the dike that was constructed to close the drains. Lettenmier requested that the drains be filled to prevent this from happening in the future. The Board agreed to look into this possibility. Pat will acquire an estimate from Bill Altringer. The dike will be reconstructed this week.

Skandia Township requested to replace and clean out 50 feet on the North & South sides of a culvert in Section 14. Pat looked at this with Rodney Latt. He gave them a verbal ok for the project.

Rodney Latt and Jack Olson contacted Pat in regards to Stoney Run backing up. The Clayton Elm Dam maybe the cause. The Board will wait for a written formal complaint before acting on this.

Jeff requested that Jamie write a letter to Jason Bonde to inform him that the Board has not heard from the State in regards to his application to drain.

The following culvert agreements were signed and approved:

McMillan Farms: Section 9 Uxbridge Township-replacement  
Oak Hill Township: Sections 5+4-replacement

Jamie will contact Mike Larson from Larson Helicopter Service to insure that we are on his schedule to complete our cattail spraying project.

Pat moved to adjourn, seconded by Don.

The next meeting will be on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.