

June 11th, 2007
Meeting Minutes

Present: Jeff McMillan, Pat Hurley, Don Johnson,
Also present Brent Gustufson, Shelly Nelson, Rodney Latt, Harlan Opdahl.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 by Chaiman Jeff McMillan.

Pat moved to approve the Revenue, Expenditure reports, seconded by Don. The motion carried. Pat moved to approve the May minutes with corrections, seconded by Don, motion carried.

Culvert cap, section 36 Rosebud Twp., Barnes County Highway 11s.

Brent from NRCS reported concerns over the impact on the wildlife and that water may go over the road if this is capped. He felt that this was a natural watercourse. He suggested shooting some elevations and presenting them to him for review. Jamie will contact Tim Logan to do the work.

Cattails

Jamie reported that she called Mike from Larson Helicopter. Mike anticipated spraying to commence in late August. The board felt that they should be sprayed in late July or early August. Jamie will call him to line this up.

County Road 17s Culvert, Sections 35+36 Marsh Twp.

Bent reported that it would be ok to clean out 100 feet on each side of the culvert. Jamie will let Kerry Johnson know. Brent noted that it would more beneficial to cleanout the east side of the ditch. Those responsible for the work will depend on the length of easement that the county has for the roadway.

Ryan Mathias complaint, Lot 28, Sheyenne Valley Estates, Marsh Twp.

The culvert in the NE corner of the lot moves water from the hills onto the property and not through the ditch. After discussion it was decided that Pat would call Monte Peterson, Marsh Twp. officer, and have him advise Mr. Mathias what to do.

Clayton Elm Dam, section 11 Spring Creek Twp.

Rodney Latt present to the Board a formal complaint signed by 20 landowners. The Complaint states that the spillway on the Clayton Elm dam has been filled in with concrete, thus slowing the exit of water considerably. This dam affects many miles of Stoney Creek including crop land, pasture, township and county roads. The complaints would like to request relief. Discussion was held. The board decided that elevations should be shot. The Dam may need to be 2ft lower. Jamie will consult with a lawyer to see what legal rights the district has.

Dan Hovde

Thordenskjold Drain needs to be cleaned out. Pat will have Dan Baarstad look at it and report. It is possible to add additional miles to the cattail spraying that will take place on the drain this summer.

Gary Jorrison, N1/2 of section 14, Lake Town Township

Jeff reported that an emergency cleanout of about ¾ mile was done on 06/08/2007 to provide flooding relief for Mr. Jorrison's farmstead. NRCS gave a verbal ok to a temporary minimal effect agreement. This will allow the area to remain open for up to a year if it is not already a permitted drain. Jeff reported that that the bill totaled \$2105.00. Pat moved to cost share \$1052.50, seconded by Don. Motion carried. Jeff will advise Gary to submit a copy of the bill for reimbursement.

Dazey drain

The City of Dazey is requesting to reopen the drain. NRCS and the Fish & Wildlife have control over this. Jamie will notify Gary Hare, Mayor of Dazey.

Pat stated that he has been working with Duane Lettenmier and Chad Wendell regarding the closing of drains. Bill Altringer has been on site and will return to stop seepage in the ditch block.

Bills were reviewed and paid.

The board decided against funding for the Red River Basin Commission.

The next meeting will be held on July 16th.

Don moved to adjourn, seconded by Pat.