

Barnes County Water Resource
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July 13th, 2009
Minutes

Present: Jeff McMillan, Pat Hurley & Don Johnson

Also present: Mylo & Karen Bucholoz, Brent Gustufson, Shelly Nelson and Bary Borg.

Pat moved and Don seconded to approve the Revenue and Expenditure reports.
Pat moved and Don seconded to approve the minutes of the May 2009 meeting.

Mylo (Norma Township, Section 22) presented photos of “unrestricted flow onto his property”. Mylo stated that Myron Nelson’s is “down to a trickle”. Pat reported that he was on site in and had witnessed the same. Brent reported to the board that Nelson’s and Hendrickson’s have each signed a form 1026. We are currently waiting for the Soil Scientist Team to do their investigation. Brent noted that the last time the team was in the county the area was to wet, but is hopeful to have a report from them by the next meeting.

Jeff & Jamie completed an informal survey of Section 36 of Ashtabula Township and Section 1 of Getchell Township on 6/22/2009. On 06/30/2009 Brent from NRCS was on the same site and noted that water was flowing at a minimal rate. Pat moved to cut a 14” x 100 yard ditch starting at the bottom of the slough that is located in the SE ¼ of Section 36 of Ashtabula Township. The District will pick up the cost of this project due to its impact on public health and safety. Don seconded the motion and it carried. Jeff will contact a contractor to complete the work.

LiDar maps were looked at for Hobart Township. Dave Lokken of Columbia Grain, Bary Borg, and Chad Engels of Moore Engineering and the Board reviewed the maps. The group discussed the possibility of a reestablishing a ditch block and a drainage ditch to divert water from the highway ditch to the natural water way that runs east. A formal request will be issued to Richard Monson & John Triebold for their signatures on a form 1026. The NRCS will be conducting a soil survey to determine the hydric lines.

Discussion was held on the need for a cleanout in the natural drainage way that run diagonally through section 21 of Anderson Township. Brent and Jeff did an informal survey of the area and noted obvious areas that needed to be cleaned. Brent reported that the NRCS would grant a minimal effect agreement that would allow a cleanout of approximately 1’ below the township road level. Pat moved to purchase LiDar mapping,

Don seconded, the motion carried. Jamie will contact Moore Engineering to obtain the maps.

The 2010 budget request was completed for submission to the auditor's office. Being no further business, Pat moved and Don seconded to adjourn the regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Smith
Secretary