

Barnes County Water Resource District

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May 11, 2015

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT MEMBERS: Chairman Jerry Hieb; Manager Bruce Anderson; Manager Shawn Olauson; Manager Bret Fehr; Manager Dale Jorissen; Joshua Hassell – Moore Engineering; Sean Fredricks – Ohnstad Twichell P.C.; Commissioner John Froelich

Also Present: See Attached List

Chairman Hieb called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Manager Olauson made a motion to approve the April 13, 2015 meeting minutes with correction. Manager Jorissen seconded. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Snagging & Clearing - Discussion on the agreement sent out from the SWC. Managers did discuss the City of Valley City flood wall project and since our project won't start till the winter season we will leave our project times as is. Manager Fehr made a motion to sign the Sheyenne River Snagging & Clearing Cost Share agreement between the ND State Water Commission and BC Water Resource District. Manager Olauson seconded motion. Motion APPROVED with a roll call vote.

Legal Drain 2 – Joshua Hassel addressed the Managers regarding Legal Drain 2 establishing a larger assessment district. District needs to first establish percent of benefit, secondly make assessment list and thirdly have a public meeting. Map of drain was brought out and discussion followed. Josh was given percentages, from the managers, and will make up assessment list for the June meeting and BCWRD can plan to set public meeting for July.

Hobart Lake - No update at this meeting.

Kathryn Dam/VC Little Dam – Barr Engineering has all the information on this project and will get us an update when information is available.

Thordenskjold Drain – Sean and Joshua will work together and have the City of Nome sign a waiver so we can finalize the extension process.

Sanborn Lake - Commissioner Froelich has contacted all landowners involved in the project. Discussion followed on the easement process.

Griggs/Barnes WRD - Griggs County representatives came forward to discuss the progress on Silver Creek Project. Discussion started with the mitigation update. Change to a 10 ft trench bottom with 3 to 1 slope; culvert size went from 42" to 48"(where need be) and 4 pipes instead of 3 pipes. Griggs County Commission will have to be asked to remove a township road for this project. The township is in favor of this road removal. Costs have also risen since we started this project.

10 Mile Lake - Chairman Hieb asked Moore Engineering to put up the gauge for 10 Mile Lake. It was done this past week (Moore Engineering was on their way to another project) and they secured it so it doesn't cause a problem later. Paul Abrahamson reported the approximate level of the lake was at 1432. Paul also said they postponed the meeting with the Corp of Engineers until June. Joshua Hassel w/Moore Engineering laid out a map for discussion with managers, Paul and Kurt Tompkins, with Fish & Wildlife. 10 Mile Lake water pressure is causing real problems with township roads. Chairman Hieb brought up a trickle pipe coming from 10 Mile Lake and discussion followed. Paul showed information to managers that they are planning to take to Corp of Engineer meeting. Discussion followed.

Manager Fehr made a motion to have Moore Engineering do profiles for a couple different trickle routes out of 10 Mile Lake. Manager Anderson seconded motion. Motion APPROVED with a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Albert Wittenberg – Complaint Albert addressed the district with a couple complaints of draining onto his land. They discussed the East Ashtabula Twp. complaint first. NRCS will conduct a separate investigation. District has to determine water shed and also if it was a new ditch or maintenance of a pervious ditch. Manager Anderson made a motion to have Moore Engineering conduct investigation for water shed and soil disruption. Manager Olauson seconded. Motion APPROVED with a roll call vote.

Second complaint is in Getchell Twp. Discussion on how this drained into Alberts land. NRCS will also conduct their investigation. Discussion followed. Manager Anderson made a motion to have Moore Engineering conduct investigation for water shed and soil disruption. Manager Fehr seconded. Motion APPROVED with a roll call vote.

Albert Wittenberg had another question regarding an NRCS EPA 319 water shed corridor. Albert read a letter from Lori Frank with BC Soil Conservation District. Water district has no jurisdiction on a section line that was discussed. Township needs to meet Stream Crossing Standards and approve the planned Texas Crossings.

Chairman Hieb brought up the upcoming Devils Lake tour on June 17th. He encouraged all managers of our district to attend.

Contractors - Managers went over contractors information that has been submitted. Manager Fehr made a motion to have Moore Engineering solicit bids from contractors to finish the cleaning of Legal Drain 2, from where they left off last fall, for \$20,000. Manager Anderson seconded. Motion APPROVED with a roll call vote.

BILLS: Manager Fehr made a motion to pay the April bills in the amount of \$2,578.36. Manager Olauson seconded. Motion APPROVED with a roll call vote.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda McKenna". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Linda McKenna

Secretary

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