

MINUTES OF MEETING
MAPLE RIVER WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
WEST FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA
APRIL 1, 2011

The Maple River Water Resource District met on April 1, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. at the Cass County Highway Department, West Fargo, North Dakota.

Present were Rodger Olson, Chairman; Jurgen Suhr, Manager; Wesley Beilke, Manager; Carol Harbeke Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer; Kimberly Bomstad, Accounting Tech/Administrative Assistant; Sean M. Fredricks, Attorney for the Board; Chad Engels and Kyle Volk, Engineers for the Board; Dean Sprunk, property owner in Highland Township and Gary Spoerl, property owner in Davenport Township.

Drainage Complaint from Dean Sprunk against Kellerman Brothers (David Kellerman, Wayne Kellerman and Larry Kellerman) in the SE 1/4 and the NE 1/4 of Section 36 of Highland Township and the NW 1/4 of Section 31 of Watson Township and Obstruction to Drain Complaint from Dean Sprunk against the Kellerman Brothers in the NE 1/4 of Section 36 in Highland Township and the NW 1/4 of Section 31 in Watson Township

Dean Sprunk asked if the flowage easement has been signed by the Halversons in the SW 1/4 of Section 25 in Highland Township. The Board said they have not seen it. As an alternative to that flowage easement, Mr. Sprunk suggested having Wayne Kellerman construct a dike along the drain in the northeast corner of the NW 1/4 of Section 36 in Highland Township to keep water in the drain. Manager Olson expressed concern about constructing a dike that could block the natural flow of water. The Board asked Moore Engineering, Inc. to look at the site to determine if the water would naturally flow from the south side of the shelterbelt at the location. Sean Fredricks will amend the *Culvert Operation Agreement* accordingly.

Obstruction to Drain Complaint by Arthur Ratchenski against Gerald Moderow in the NE 1/4 of Section 24 in Everest Township

Governor Dalrymple owns the NE 1/4 of Section 24 in Everest Township and Gerald Moderow rents the property from Governor Dalrymple. Governor Dalrymple hired a contractor to remove the flap gate from the culvert referred to in the *Obstruction to Drain Complaint* by Arthur Ratchenski against Gerald Moderow. With that completed, the matter is concluded and there is no need to assess any additional costs against the NE 1/4 of Section 24 in Everest Township.

Normanna Township Improvement District No. 71

Chad Engels presented and reviewed a *Proposal for Project Development* for Normanna Township Improvement District No. 71.

Legal drain reassessments

Mr. Engels reviewed proposed boundary changes to Maple River Water Resource District assessment districts as a result of the reassessment process being conducted by Southeast Cass Water Resource District.

The Board discussed consolidating the assessment districts for Drains #15, #39, #54 and #58 into one assessment district to eliminate overlapping assessments. Drains #14, #34 and #36 could also be combined into one district. The Board also discussed reassessing Drain #37. Further discussion on reassessments will be held at the June 2011 meeting.

North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund – proxy for annual meeting

It was moved by Manager Beilke and seconded by Manager Suhr to authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to sign the proxy relating to the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund annual meeting on May 18, 2011. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

It was moved by Manager Beilke and seconded by Manager Suhr to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2011, meeting. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Bills

It was moved by Manager Suhr and seconded by Manager Beilke to approve payment of Checks #4803 through #4812 and the electronic funds transfers, as presented. Upon roll call vote, the following Managers voted in favor: Olson, Suhr and Beilke. The Chairman declared the motion passed.

Red River Joint Water Resource District

It was moved by Manager Suhr and seconded by Manager Beilke to appoint Rodger Olson to serve as the Maple River Water Resource District representative on the Red River Joint Water Resource District Board for the remainder of calendar year 2011. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business for the Board to consider, the meeting adjourned without objection.

APPROVED:

Rodger Olson
Chairman

ATTEST:

Carol Harbeke Lewis
Secretary-Treasurer