

MINUTES OF MEETING
NORTH CASS WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
WEST FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA
SEPTEMBER 8, 2010

The North Cass Water Resource District Board met on September 8, 2010, at 8:00 a.m. at the Cass County Highway Department, West Fargo, North Dakota.

Present were Michael R. Buringrud, Chairman; Robert Thompson, Manager; Wesley Ecker, Manager; Carol Harbeke Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer; Sean M. Fredricks, Attorney for the Board; Chad Engels, Engineer for the Board; Josh Ihry, Greg Thykeson and Tor Bergstrom, Steele County Water Resource District; Jason Seigert, Kyle Meyer, Gary Thompson, Joel Halvorson, Gary Peterson and Nettie Johnson, Traill County Water Resource District; Robert Bell, Noble Township Chairman and Vern Cleveland, property owner in Noble Township.

Application to Drain with Drain Tile #3525 for Jeff Herr to construct a tile drainage system in the SW 1/4 of Section 4 in Gunkel Township

It was moved by Manager Ecker and seconded by Manager Thompson to approve *Application to Drain #3525* for Jeff Herr to construct a tile drainage system in the SW 1/4 of Section 4 in Gunkel Township, subject to the following conditions:

- That the applicant obtain written permission from the owner of any land, besides land he owns, on which he will construct the tile system;
- That the applicant provide and maintain adequate erosion protection at the outlet(s); and
- That the applicant obtain all other necessary and requisite licenses, permits, registrations, and/or approvals from all applicable federal, state, county, and municipal governments, and any other applicable governmental entities.

Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Application to Drain with Drain Tile #3526 for Jeff Herr to construct a tile drainage system in the SW 1/4 of Section 6 in Gardner Township

It was moved by Manager Thompson and seconded by Manager Ecker to approve *Application to Drain #3526* for Jeff Herr to construct a tile drainage system in the SW 1/4 of Section 6 in Gardner Township, subject to the following conditions:

- That the applicant obtain written permission from the owner of any land, besides land he owns, on which he will construct the tile system;
- That the applicant provide and maintain adequate erosion protection at the outlet(s); and

- That the applicant obtain all other necessary and requisite licenses, permits, registrations, and/or approvals from all applicable federal, state, county, and municipal governments, and any other applicable governmental entities.

Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

It was moved by Manager Thompson and seconded by Manager Ecker to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2010, meeting. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Bills

It was moved by Manager Ecker and seconded by Manager Thompson to approve payment of Checks #3482 through #3490 and the electronic funds transfer, as presented. Upon roll call vote, the following Managers voted in favor: Buringrud, Thompson and Ecker. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Agreement with USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Animal Damage Control, for control of animal damage on non-private property

It was moved by Manager Ecker and seconded by Manager Thompson to approve the Agreement with USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Animal Damage Control, for control of animal damage on non-private property. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Drain #23 – problem with water backing out of two culverts in the northeast corner of Section 3 in Gardner Township

The Board directed Moore Engineering, Inc. to look into a problem with water backing out of two culverts on Drain #23 in the northeast corner of Section 8 in Gardner Township.

Elm River Watershed District

Alternatives for funding the maintenance of the facilities on the Elm River system were discussed with Steele County and Traill County Water Resource District Managers. Chad Engels presented options for a proposed assessment district. After reviewing the proposed alternatives, it was agreed to start with a small assessment district on the Federal projects in the watershed.

Mr. Engels will revise the assessment district as discussed and forward the information to each Water Resource District for review. Sean Fredricks will draft Resolutions that will need to be approved by the Water Resource Districts and County Commissions in order to proceed with the assessment district. The Water Resource Districts will meet with their respective County Commissions to review the information and discuss the matter prior to holding a public meeting.

Each Water Resource District needs to appoint one representative and one alternate representative to serve on the Traill-Steele-North Cass Joint Water Resource District Board.

Drain #42 administration

Additional minutes relating to the administration of Drain #42 are attached hereto.

Request from Vern Cleveland to install a culvert into Drain #32 in the southeast corner of Section 30 in Noble Township

Vern Cleveland met with the Board to request that a culvert be installed through the township road into Drain #32 in the southeast corner of Section 30 in Noble Township. Mr. Fredricks said the law is clear that culverts through township roads are the responsibility of the township. Manager Ecker suggested Mr. Cleveland work together with the township on the matter.

Traill-Steele-North Cass Joint Water Resource District representative and alternate representative

It was moved by Manager Buringrud and seconded by Manager Ecker to appoint Robert Thompson to serve as the representative of the North Cass Water Resource District on the Traill-Steele-North Cass Joint Water Resource District Board. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Manager Buringrud and seconded by Manager Thompson to appoint Wesley Ecker to serve as the alternate representative of the North Cass Water Resource District on the Traill-Steele-North Cass Joint Water Resource District Board. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business for the Board to consider, it was moved by Manager Thompson, seconded by Manager Ecker and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED:

Michael R. Buringrud
Chairman

ATTEST:

Carol Harbeke Lewis
Secretary-Treasurer