

MINUTES OF MEETING
NORTH CASS WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
WEST FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA
FEBRUARY 1, 2012

The North Cass Water Resource District Board met on February 1, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. at the Cass County Highway Department, West Fargo, North Dakota.

Present were Michael R. Buringrud, Chairman; Robert Thompson, Manager; Wes Ecker, Manager; Nina Stone, Accountant; Diane Pochardt, Administrative Assistant; Sean M. Fredricks, Attorney for the Board; Chad Engels, Engineer for the Board; Don Murch, Rand Nyberg and Mary Bjorgaard, property owners in Gunkel Township; and Chris Murch, property owner in Arthur Township. Carol Harbeke Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer was absent.

Drain #41 extension / request for culvert installation from Section 12 in Arthur Township into Section 6 of Gunkel Township

Chad Engels reviewed the Drain #41 extension / request for culvert installation from Section 12 in Arthur Township into Section 6 of Gunkel Township. Mr. Engels said the channel is designed to handle more water flow even at lower elevations so everyone will benefit.

The Engineers Opinion of Probable Cost was reviewed. The total estimated project cost is \$354,721.36, with a local cost of \$242,956.37. The cost per acre would be approximately \$6.39 per year over 15 years at 4%. Property owners would have the option to payoff their entire assessments. Manager Buringrud said it will be the decision of the property owners whether to move forward with the project or not.

Various questions and comments from those in attendance were addressed. Don Murch asked if all of the pipes would need to be replaced. According to the new proposal, all the pipes would be replaced, bringing them up to a 10-year standard, which is the standard practice when reconstructing older facilities. Mr. Engels reviewed the voting process.

It was moved by Manager Thompson and seconded by Manager Ecker to have a public informational meeting to discuss the Drain #41 extension / request for culvert installation from Section 12 in Arthur Township into Section 6 of Gunkel Township at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 7, 2012, in the Arthur Community Hall, Arthur, North Dakota. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Application to Install a Subsurface Drain #20123 for Rick Satrom and Curtis Satrom in the NE 1/4 of Section 6 in Kinyon Township

A *Thirty-Day Notice* will be sent to downstream property owners regarding *Application to Install a Subsurface Drain #20123* for Rick Satrom and Curtis Satrom in the NE 1/4 of Section 6 in Kinyon Township. The matter will be reviewed at the March 7, 2012, meeting.

Minutes

It was moved by Manager Thompson and seconded by Manager Ecker to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2012, meeting. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Drain #55

Manager Ecker informed the Board of the need to extend and improve Drain #55. It was moved by Manager Ecker and seconded by Manager Thompson to authorize Moore Engineering, Inc. to analyze Drain #55 and develop a cost estimate to extend and improve the channel. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Bills

It was moved by Manager Thompson and seconded by Manager Ecker to approve payment of Checks #3640 through #3646 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 passed.

Adjournment

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

APPROVED:

Michael R. Buringrud
Chairman

ATTEST:

Carol Harbeke Lewis
Secretary-Treasurer