

MINUTES OF MEETING
RUSH RIVER WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
WEST FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA
NOVEMBER 15, 2016

The Rush River Water Resource District met on November 15, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at the Cass County Highway Department, West Fargo, North Dakota.

Present were William A. Hejl, Chairman; Richard Sundberg, Manager; Jacob Gust, Manager; Carol Harbeke Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer; Kathy Grueneich, Administrative Assistant; Sean M. Fredricks, Attorney for the Board; and Mike Opat, Engineer for the Board.

Minutes

It was moved by Manager Gust, seconded by Manager Sundberg and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2016, meeting.

Drain #52 culvert repair

Chairman Hejl reported a broken flap gate on Drain #52. A motion was made by Manager Sundberg and seconded by Manager Gust to repair the flap gate on the intercept culvert on Drain #52 located at the east end of the NE 1/4 of Section 1 in Casselton Township. Upon roll call vote, Managers Sundberg and Gust voted in favor. Chairman Hejl abstained. Motion carried.

Drains #29 and #29A erosion

Mike Opat reported noticeable erosion was discovered in Drains #29 and #29A during the recent drain inspection. It was moved by Manager Sundberg and seconded by Manager Gust to authorize Moore Engineering, Inc. to inspect Drains #29 and #29A for possible erosion repair needed. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Cass County Joint Water Resource District report

Manager Gust reported there will not likely be any construction this year on the inlet structure south of Horace for the Metro Flood Diversion Project. Chairman Hejl asked when there will be implications from the project in the Rush River Water Resource District. Manager Gust thought it would be another year and a half. He will continue working with consultants to address any areas of concern. The recent vote to extend the current flood sales tax in Cass County and City of Fargo to help fund the Metro Flood Diversion Project was discussed.

Red River Joint Water Resource District report

Manager Sundberg said the next Red River Joint Water Resource District meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 8, 2016.

Rush River Watershed Planning Team update

Mr. Opat noted there is a Rush River Watershed Planning Team meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 16, 2016. The Team will meet with the Cass County Joint Water Resource District in the future to provide an update, explain the issues and discuss the next step in the process. Funding will be requested from the Cass County Flood Sales Tax Committee if a project is pursued.

Bills

It was moved by Manager Sundberg and seconded by Manager Gust to approve payment of Checks #4210 through #4217 and the electronic funds transfer, as presented. Upon roll call vote, the following Managers voted in favor: Hejl, Sundberg, and Gust. Motion carried.

Geronimo Energy – Harmony Solar Project in Sections 10, 11 and 16 in Harmony Township

Chairman Hejl will look into when the Rush River Water Resource District can anticipate receiving a permit application from Geronimo Energy concerning the Harmony Solar Project in Sections 20, 11 and 16 in Harmony Township.

Adjournment

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

APPROVED:

William A. Hejl
Chairman

ATTEST:

Carol Harbeke Lewis
Secretary-Treasurer