

MINUTES OF THE EDDY COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

April 4, 2017

A regular meeting of the Eddy County Water Resource Board was held on April 4, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Eddy County Courthouse. Present were Mike Tweed, Peter Larson, Kenny Reis and Travis S. Peterson, Secretary/Treasurer. Also in attendance was Eddy County Landowner Monty Schaefer.

The minutes of the March 7, 2017 regular meeting were presented. Tweed made a motion to approve the minutes. Second by Reis. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and reviewed. Reis made a motion to approve the report. Second by Tweed. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Various correspondence was reviewed. Notices of Application on Petition for Appropriation of Water from Ground Water Sources concerning Jason Topp and Topp Family Farms, LLP were reviewed. No comment to be submitted or action taken. Notice of US Highway 281 Improvements through the City of New Rockford were reviewed. No comment to be submitted or action taken. Except as otherwise set forth in these minutes, no action is required.

Old Business:

Ron Schaefer/BNSF Main Line Culvert: No new information.

Roger Duda Obstruction Complaint regarding Paul Skadberg: Peterson informed the Board that Ginger Skadberg signed the return receipt on March 13, 2017 for the Notice of Determination; and Roger Duda signed the return receipt on March 9, 2017 for the Notice of Determination. Skadberg and Duda have 30 days to appeal the Water Board's determination. As of this meeting, Peterson has heard nothing from either Skadberg or Duda.

Paul Skadberg Drainage Complaint against Roger Duda: Peterson informed the Board that Ginger Skadberg signed the return receipt on March 13, 2017 for the Notice of Determination; and Roger Duda signed the return receipt on March 9, 2017 for the Notice of Determination. Skadberg and Duda have 30 days to appeal the Water Board's determination. As of this meeting, Peterson has heard nothing from either Skadberg or Duda.

Doug Skadberg/Monty Schaefer Matter: Monty Schaefer was present to discuss various concerns he has relative to the November 1, 2016 determination of SWC/OSE. Schaefer showed the Board various photographs, a lidar map and other current and historical documents to support his position that he did not modify the Rosefield Slough Dam. Based on this information the Board instructed Peterson to communicate with Aaron Carranza at SWC/OSE to discuss how best to proceed. The Board took no further action at this time.

Foster County Complaint and Wells County Complaint regarding the Kittleson Crossing: The Foster and Wells County Complaints regarding the Kittleson Crossing were reviewed and considered. Based on the historical information available to the Water Board concerning this particular issue and also based on the preliminary engineering report/flow capacity improvement study for Rocky Run Creek and Oak Creek Drain (June 1978), Reis moved to deny both the Foster County Complaint and the Wells County Complaint. Second by Tweed. Motion carried.

Bureau of Reclamation/Garrison Diversion Conservancy District/New Rockford Canal: Tweed indicated that there are discussions at the GDCD and State levels so no local action required at this time.

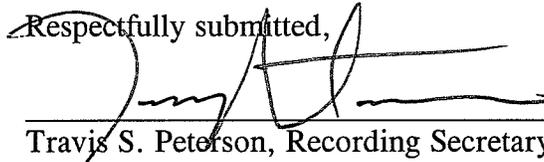
Upper Sheyenne River Joint Water Resource Board: Larson summarized the business conducted at the March 15, 2017 meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2017 at 9 am in Carrington.

Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board: Tweed summarized the business conducted at the March 15, 2017 meeting held at the Ramsey County Courthouse. The next meeting is scheduled for 9 am on April 12, 2017 at the Ramsey County ND Courthouse.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Eddy County Water Resource Board will be held on May 2, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Eddy County Courthouse.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Travis S. Peterson, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Kenneth Reis, Chairman