

MINUTES OF THE EDDY COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

September 5, 2017

A regular meeting of the Eddy County Water Resource Board was held on September 5, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Eddy County Courthouse. Present were Michael Tweed, Peter Larson, Kenny Reis and Travis S. Peterson, Secretary/Treasurer. Also present were Albert Pfeiffer and Joe Seiler, Superior Township Supervisors.

The minutes of the August 1, 2017 regular meeting were presented. Larson made a motion to approve the minutes. Second by Reis. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and reviewed. Tweed made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Second by Larson. Motion carried. Peterson informed the Board that the Bank Forward Certificate of Deposit #74723 matures on September 9, 2017. Tweed moved to allow the CD to renew at the same rate and terms. Second by Larson. Motion carried. Peterson presented the Board with a bill for services rendered for the annual Rocky Run Meeting. Reis made a motion to approve the payment to Peterson for Eddy County's share. Second by Tweed. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Various correspondence was reviewed. Except as otherwise stated herein no specific action required.

Old Business:

ND Water Resource District Association Summer Meeting: Tweed updated the Board on his attendance at the ND Water Resource District Association Summer Meeting that was held in Minot on July 13 and 14. One aspect of the convention was a drain tile presentation by Shawn Fredricks, attorney with Ohnstad-Twitchell. Tweed provided those materials to Peterson so that Peterson could scan and email to Board members for their information and review.

Ron Schaefer/BNSF Main Line Culvert: No additional or new information has been received by either Peterson or the Board.

Doug Skadberg/Monty Schaefer Matter: Various emails between Monty Schaefer and Aaron Caranza, P.E. at SWC/OSE, were reviewed and discussed. In summary, SWC/OSE is working to gather additional data they believe pertinent to this issue.

Foster County Complaint regarding Kittleson Crossing: No additional or new information has been received by either Peterson or the Board.

New Rockford Canal/Garrison Diversion Conservancy District: Tweed informed the Board that the federal government has, for the time being, shelved the idea of decommissioning the New Rockford Canal.

Upper Sheyenne River Joint Water Resource Board: Peter Larson summarized the business conducted at the August 16, 2017 meeting held in Carrington. The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2017 in Carrington.

Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board: Peter Larson summarized the business conducted at the August 9, 2017 meeting held in Devils Lake. The next meeting is scheduled for September 13, 2017 at 8am at the Ramsey County Courthouse.

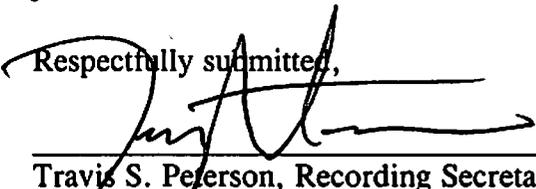
New Business:

Joe Seiler Culvert/Superior Township: Albert Pfeiffer, Chairman of the Superior Township Board of Supervisors, brought to the Water Board's attention an issue with a 24" culvert installed by Joe Seiler and located just west of the section corner of Sections 15, 16, 21 and 22 in Township 148, Range 66, Eddy County, ND. The culvert diverts water from north to south (from Section 16 to Section 21). Prior to installation of this culvert, the Section 16 water flowed east to Section 15 and south through the NW1/4 of Section 22. The 24" culvert installed by Seiler will cause spring high flows and high flows from heavy rain events to drain southward across the land of Paul Reis. Paul Reis was not happy about the installation of this culvert and wants this culvert removed. After the Township Supervisors (Joe Seiler, Kenny Reis and Albert Pfeiffer) discussed this matter it was agreed that the culvert would be extended (to make the culvert/ditch easier to maintain) and a gate will be put on the north side (and set approximately 1/3 open). With this agreement in place the parties thought everyone would be satisfied and they can re-evaluate after the 2018 spring thaw.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Eddy County Water Resource Board will be held on October 3, 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