Walsh County Water Resource District Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Walsh County Courthouse Lower Level Office #3

8:00 a.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Agenda Approval

8:05 a.m.

Reorganize Board

8:15 a.m.

Consent/Approval

- Minutes from December 29th Meeting
- Bills & Transfers
- Order Confirming & Correcting Drain 31 Assessments

Other Items

- Landowner Lake Inquiry
- Miscellaneous Correspondence

Adjourn

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Proceedings of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board Meeting Tuesday, January 5, 2021 Walsh County Courthouse, Grafton, ND

January 5, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.

Chairman Daryl Campbell called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order on Tuesday, January 5, 2021. Roll call taken: Chairman Daryl Campbell, Vice Chairman Tanke and Manager Albin Jallo were present.

Agenda – Motion to approve agenda as sent by Manager Jallo, 2nd by Vice Chairman Tanke and passed with all members saying yes.

Meeting presided by Secretary Lindenberger to hold board reorganization. *Motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Chairman – Daryl Campbell, Vice Chairman – Larry Tanke, Manager – Albin Jallo, Sec/Treas – Jennifer Lindenberger, Attorney – Dan Gaustad and Bank Depository – First United Bank by Larry Tanke, 2nd by Albin Jallo and passed with a roll call vote of Campbell – yes, Jallo – yes and Tanke – yes.*

Chairman Campbell resumed presiding over the meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 29th meeting and bills/transfers by Vice Chairman Tanke, 2nd by Manager Jallo and passed with all members saying yes.

Motion to approve Drain 31 Notice and Order Confirming and Correcting Assessments by Vice Chairman Tanke, 2^{nd} by Manager Jallo and passed with all members saying yes.

Discussed emails received regarding naming a lake (referred onto to SWC), SWC cost share funding for maintenance projects, and upcoming meetings. Vice Chairman Tanke asked Jennifer to write to the SWC members regarding the tabling of all water conveyance projects per Sean Fredricks request. At the next SWC sub committee meeting (January 14th), an extension for Drain 87 cost share will be requested and the request for cost share on Drain 31 reconstruction will be presented. Zach Herrmann, HEI will be on the call to represent the board if any questions are asked.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2021.

Jennifer Lindenberger, Sec/Treas.

Daryl Campbell, Chairman

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9:00 a.m.

Houston Engineering – Zach Herrmann / Jacob Wognum

Monthly Project Updates

Brad Narloch – Drainage Permit

Other Items

- Miscellaneous Correspondence
- Dike Issue Dennis Bina

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Agenda – Motion to approve agenda as sent by Manager Jallo, 2nd by Vice Chairman Tanke and passed with all members saying yes.

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 5th meeting by Manager Jallo, 2nd by Vice Chairman Tanke and passed with all members saying yes.

Motion to approve bills and transfers by Vice Chairman Tanke, 2^{nd} by Manager Jallo and passed with all member saying yes.

Jennifer presented that the Commission had approved a 2% COLI for 2021 wages. She also looked at the board's wage history. There has not been an increase in the hourly rate since 2008. If a COLI had been given each year at 2%, the current hourly wage would be \$27/hour. Motion to raise Board hourly rate to \$27/hour & revisit annually at budget time by Chairman Campbell, 2nd by Vice Chairman Tanke and passed with all members saying yes.

<u>Drain 71</u> – Triple D was able to lower 1 culvert this fall and will have to lower the other culvert next spring. Would like to submit to WCHD for cost share as the work is considered maintenance. Triple D will provide a breakdown of the culvert lowering on their billing for the township road.

<u>Co Rd 2 Culverts Acton Twp</u> – Culvert was replaced through Co Rd 2 in Acton Township. The Board was not notified of the proposed change. There are a few landowners that feel the new culvert is not the correct size for the drainage area. Were stream crossing standards followed or a hydraulic study performed? Possible complaint coming forward regarding the issue.

<u>Houston Engineering Monthly Updates</u> – Zach Herrmann and Jacob Wognum were present to give the monthly project updates as follows:

- Drain 28 cleanout will continue next spring.
- Drain 31
 - Cost share will be discussed at SWC sub-committee meeting this week. Highly unlikely the request will be approved.
 - Prepping for a bid opening late February with construction to start in June and finish up in September ideally.
 - Working on ROW acquisition with Gaustad, utility relocations and final designs/specs.
- Drain 87
 - Zavoral has submitted claim for costs to remove sediment this fall and a time extension request.
 Went over LDs and likelihood of being able to claim on final payment. Need to consider
 CenturyLink's delays as well. Zach will reach out to Gaustad to get his opinion on seeking LD charges.
- Drain 90 Possible NRCS cost share to perform a study of the watershed. Zach is still finding out more
 information about this possibility from Christi Fisher with NRCS. Will let the Board know when he hears
 more details.
- PR Snag & Clear Phase 6 On the Level to start in January 2021.

- Bylin & Fordville Dams Interagency meetings January 26, 2021.
- Complaint Sec 34 Forest River Twp need to get Gaustad's watercourse determination before finalizing findings.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Attest:

Jennifer Lindenberger, Sec/Treas.

Daryl Campbell, Chairman

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Other Items

- State Water Commission meeting updates
- Legislative updates
- Miscellaneous Correspondence

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January 19, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.

Chairman Daryl Campbell called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order on Tuesday, January 19, 2021. Roll call taken: Chairman Daryl Campbell and Vice Chairman Tanke were present with Manager Albin Jallo absent.

Agenda – Motion to approve agenda as sent by Vice Chairman Tanke, 2nd by Chairman Campbell and passed with all members saying yes.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December January 12th meeting by Vice Chairman Tanke, 2nd by Chairman Campbell and passed with all members saying yes.

No bills to present for payment this week.

The Board called Attorney Gaustad to discuss current legislation pertaining to water boards and draft AG opinion letter request. It was decided that the AG opinion letter request will be put on hold until we if SB2208 is passed or fails. Gaustad also urged the Board to contact local legislators and Ag Committee members to vote no on SB2208. Gaustad will come to the Feb 9th meeting to discuss ongoing legal issues with the Board.

Arnie Gerszewski & Donald Rudnik Jr appeared. Arnie had some questions about a culvert in Drain 30 that needs updating between Sections 26 & 34. Both Arnie and Donald had questions about the upcoming Drain 31 construction — more so if they can have the spoil left in piles on their parcels instead of being spread so that they can use for their own projects. The Board said that is possible. Will have to meet with Houston Engineering to specify areas where spoil needs to be left so they can coordinate with contractor before construction. Also discussed the proposed Drain 90 project. There is an opportunity to perform an NRCS watershed study on the drainage area. It likely will not result in the plans that were last developed, but it will study and point to areas where drainage would be best benefited. The landowners in the area would have to come up with \$10,000 to pay the local share of the study before application would be made in March 2021. The study is not a for sure thing as an application would have to be approved by the NRCS this spring. The Board also wanted to point out that if the study is approved, it does not mean that any drainage project would be constructed. That would have to be sought separately after the study was concluded.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman

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8:00 a.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Agenda Approval

8:05 a.m.

Consent/Approval

Minutes from January 19th Meeting

Bills & Transfers

9:00 a.m.

Bylin Dam Rehabilitation Study Interagency Meeting Online

1 701-404-1699

Phone Conference ID: 355 630 999#

10:30 a.m.

Fordville Dam Rehabilitation Study Interagency Meeting Online

1-701-404-1699

Phone Conference ID: 367 113 559#

Other Items

- Legislative updates
- Miscellaneous Correspondence

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Proceedings of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board Meeting Tuesday, January 26, 2021 Walsh County Courthouse, Grafton, ND

January 26, 2021 - 8:00 a.m.

Vice Chairman Larry Tanke called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. Roll call taken: Vice Chairman Larry Tanke and Manager Albin Jallo were present with Chairman Daryl Campbell absent.

Agenda - No additions.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December January 16th meeting and attached bills/transfers by Manager Jallo, 2nd by Vice Chairman Tanke and passed with all members saying yes.

There was discussion about SB2208 and the impact it could have on the board's authority if passed. There is an Ag Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday where testimony will be held. Jennifer reminded the Board to contact the Ag Committee and local reps and urge them to vote no to the bill.

The Board attended via phone conference the Bylin Dam Rehab Study Interagency Meeting conducted by Houston Engineering from 9:00 am until 10:30 am.

The Board then attended via video conference the Fordville Dam Rehab Study Interagency Meeting conducted by Houston Engineering from 10:30 am until 12:15pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 2, 2021.

Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman