

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
Walsh County Water Resource District
Tuesday, January 3, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse Lower Level Office #3

8:00 a.m.

Call to Order
Roll Call
Agenda Approval

8:30 a.m.

Consent/Approval

- Minutes from December 13th Meeting
- Bills & Transfers
- FEMA Certification Form

Other Items

- Miscellaneous Items

Reminders:

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**Proceedings of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 3, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse, Grafton, ND**

January 3, 2023 – 8:00 a.m.

Vice Chairman Larry Tanke called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order on January 3, 2023. Roll call taken: Chairman Daryl Campbell, Vice Chairman Larry Tanke and Manager Albin Jallo were present. Chairman Campbell attended via Zoom. Sarah Johnston officially started her new role today as Administrative Assistant for the WRD.

Motion made by Manager Jallo to approve the agenda. 2nd by Chairman Campbell. Motion passed.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the December 13th meeting was made by Chairman Campbell, 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion passed.

Motion to approve the Bills was made by Manager Jallo, 2nd by Chairman Campbell. Motion passed.

FEMA Certification Form: S. Johnston handed around the project expense certification form due to ND Emergency Services. Board compared project expense numbers to those listed for reimbursement. She will need to contact the state office to get added as an authorized signature. Instructed to sign it as is on behalf of the board and submit to Cole Baker.

Kris Molde, Walsh Co. Auditor visited the meeting to bring attention to the 2020 Audit in process and the need to wrap it up quickly in the WRD office. The board instructed S. Johnston to contact Michael Schmitcke from the State Auditor's office and find out what items are still needing attention. S. Johnston mentioned the email from auditor Schmitcke and his inquiry as it relates to any legal fees or settlements paid during 2020.

Don Rudnik visited the meeting to inquire of assessments and maintenance on Drain 7. Inquired on status of Drain 31 project and S13 on last ½ mile of the drain, and commented on work completed vs. design. Also provided feedback on County Rd 4 north of Warsaw.

Brad Suda called Vice Chairman Tanke during the meeting via cell phone and inquired on the status and assessments on Drain 31 and Drain 7.

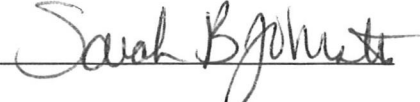
Houston Engineering: Call was made to Jacob Wognum to check in. He talked with Crystal Sugar and Jason Johnston of WC Highway Dept. and they will meet with this board on February 7th at 10:00 am.

Assessment inquiries: No other assessment inquiries received to date, other than board members mention of one inquiry was received via the assessor's office. The parcel location was known by the board. S. Johnston will contact the assessor's office to find out the contact information for the landowner.

Meeting adjourned. Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 10th.



Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman

Attest: 

Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
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Tuesday, January 10, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse Lower Level Office #3

8:00 a.m.

Call to Order
Roll Call
Agenda Approval

8:30 a.m.

Consent/Approval

- Minutes from January 3rd Meeting
- Bills & Transfers
- Signature Card/1st United
- 2020 Audit Update
- Drain Signage quotes
- BTAG reimbursement
- Drain Tile Application K. Slominski

10:00 am

Jacob Wognum, Houston Engineering

Other Items

- Miscellaneous Items

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January 10, 2023 – 8:00 a.m.

Vice Chairman Larry Tanke called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order on January 10, 2023. Roll call taken: Chairman Daryl Campbell, Vice Chairman Larry Tanke and Manager Albin Jallo were present. Chairman Campbell attended via Zoom.

Jacob Wognum was removed from the agenda. **Motion made by Manager Jallo to approve the agenda. 2nd by Chairman Campbell. Motion carried.**

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 3rd meeting along with the current bills was made by Manager Jallo, 2nd by Chairman Campbell. Motion carried.

Signature Card and Access to Accounts: Motion made by Chairman Campbell to remove Lindenberger and Olmstead from signature cards and list only the three board members (Tanke, Campbell and Jallo) and administrative assistant Sarah Johnston. 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried. A board officer will contact Cardmember Services to list Johnston on the account.

2020 Audit Update: S. Johnston provided an update that the audit information has been processed and we are awaiting for the final review and final documents, which would be arriving in the next few days. Johnston reviewed the CAP and GASB/Aggregation of Errors.

Drain Sign Quotes: Drain sign quotes were received from Newman Signs and Sign Solutions. For 400 signs, Newman Signs' quote was \$7,309.29 and Sign Solutions was \$9,231.19 after tax subtracted. **Motion made by Manager Jallo to purchase 400 signs from Newman Signs. 2nd by Chairman Campbell. Motion carried.**

Slominski Drain Tile Application: The board reviewed the application and reached out to Ben Knott with questions. The board requested Ben to submit an amended application with their changes. This will be reviewed at the next meeting.

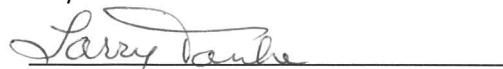
BTAG: Bill from BTAG submitted to the office for reimbursement on Hwy 17/317 study requesting \$3,192.13 from WCWRD. Cost share reimbursement will be submitted by WCWRD to DWR and payment will be made to BTAG once cost share is received in our office. Max cost share is \$3,139.

Dakota Prairie Wildlife Club: Requested the board assume liability on potential new dock the club is looking to acquire for Matejcek. The board honored their request to assume liability.

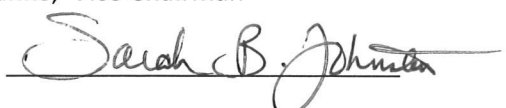
Miscellaneous

- S. Johnston will work through remaining FEMA items Cole Baker at ND DES.
- ND DWR sent notice on permit application for point of diversion for Robert Kertz of Edinburg. Board acknowledged the notification.
- Triple D contacted office to notify board that Snagging and Clearing the Park R. is complete.

Meeting adjourned. Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 17th.



Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman

Attest: 

Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
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Tuesday, January 17, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse Lower Level Office #3

8:00 a.m. Call to Order
 Roll Call
 Agenda Approval

8:30 a.m. Consent/Approval

- Minutes from January 10th Meeting
- Bills
- Amended Drain Tile Application K. Slominski

Other Items

- Miscellaneous Items

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Tuesday, January 17, 2023
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January 17, 2023 – 8:00 a.m.

Vice Chairman Larry Tanke called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order on January 17, 2023. Roll call taken: Chairman Daryl Campbell, Vice Chairman Larry Tanke and Manager Albin Jallo were present. Chairman Campbell attended via Zoom and Vice Chairman Tanke conducted the meeting.

A motion was made by Manager Jallo to approve the agenda. 2nd by Chairman Campbell. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 10 th meeting along with the current bills was made by Manager Jallo, 2nd by Chairman Campbell. Motion carried.

Slominski Drain Tile Application WC 2023-001- The amended drain tile application for Kenneth and Kameron Slominski of KayDee Farms was provided to the board via email from contractor for review. ***A motion was made by Chairman Campbell to approve the application, 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.***

Park River Joint Water Resource Board- Houston Engineering is looking to set up a time with the PR joint board. Will be scheduled for afternoon of January 24th at 1:15pm.

County Rd 15 Voss Culvert- Jason Johnston of WC Highway Department and Zach Herrmann of Houston Engineering would like to meet with the board to discuss a request for a culvert along County Rd 15. This is an old request that needs to be brought back for discussion between the departments. Will be scheduled for 9:30 am on January 24th.

Miscellaneous- S. Johnston updated the board on the Newman Sign order.

Gary and Candi Stjern- They are requesting an assessment cost detail breakdown beyond what can be immediately answered by S. Johnston. Received from Candi Stjern via email and was discussed by the board. Interest rate information will be needed to fully respond.

Clint Potluny- He contacted the office to inquire about maintenance costs assessed and what costs the funds have gone to recently on Drain 97 in Medford Township. The board detailed where a bridge was replaced by culverts and where other work was done. The work did not involve weed spraying as Clint questioned.

Meeting adjourned. Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 24th.



Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman

Attest:



Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
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Tuesday, January 24, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse Lower Level Office #3

- 9:00 a.m.** Call to Order
Roll Call
Agenda Approval
- 9:10 a.m.** Consent/Approval
- Minutes from January 17th Meeting
 - Bills
- 9:15 a.m.** Ernie Barta, County Payment on Drain bills
- 9:45 a.m.** County Rd. 15 culvert near Voss - Houston Engineering, W.C. Highway Dept.
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- 11:00 a.m.** Drain 74- Texas Crossing
- 11:15 a.m.** Slominski tile drain permit conditions

Other Items

- Park R. Joint Water Resource Board Meeting, 1:15 pm today
- Miscellaneous Items

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January 24, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

Vice Chairman Larry Tanke called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order. Roll call taken: Chairman Daryl Campbell, Vice Chairman Larry Tanke and Manager Albin Jallo were present. Chairman Campbell attended via Zoom and Vice Chairman Tanke conducted the meeting.

A motion was made by Chairman Campbell to approve the agenda. 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 17th meeting was made by Chairman Campbell, 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the current bills was made by Chairman Campbell, 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.

Ernie Barta: County Payment of Drain Bills-

Barta informed the board that he now holds the water board portfolio on behalf of the County Commission. Discussion took place between Barta and the board on the issue of drain expenses incurred by the District and the share the board billed to the County. Vice Chairman Tanke previously provided bills to the commissioners for Drains 87, 71, 28 & 31. Locations and details of work completed was discussed. To date the County has not paid on their portion. The board is concerned about the payment amount the commissioners stated they'd pay because it does not match the 60/40 split for all projects being billed. Barta said the county is committed to paying \$239,000. The board reiterated that this is not the total amount due, and the cost of construction needs to be split on the work completed. Discussion took place pertaining to the century code and W.C. Highway Dept. Culvert and Bridge Policy. Barta referenced what other counties are doing to cost share these expenses with their water resource districts and side agreements that exist in these counties. Barta also brought up bridge inspections, as well as past issues with the Forest River and water being pumped into the river by Nelson County.

County Rd 15 Voss Culvert- Jason Johnston of WC Highway Department and Zach Herrmann of Houston Engineering attended to discuss a request from Doug McCann.

- Herrmann said according to discussion with Matt Lindsay of DWR, the state does not regulate culvert through the road through their permit program, and a permit is not needed from the state. It is the county that this mainly falls on for a decision. Herrmann estimates about 6 quarters of land would drain through it, including McCann's quarter of S27 and most of S28 would be included, some drainage on the north side of 15 to the west. Drainage would stop a mile short of county road 8. Right now, it stays in the north ditch of 15 for another half mile and goes into the new ditch's eastern ditch and cross 15 through the intersection thru two 36" culverts and then splits into south road ditch thru two 36" culverts, and then a lot of it goes south into coulee via new ditch dug.

- Chairman Campbell asked if the water diverted ½ mile would change the flows in that area. Herrmann said the half mile south of Co. Rd. 15 takes pretty much only local water and that may be something to look at further as far as any effects of new drainage would have.
- J. Johnston mentioned that most of the concern expressed by landowners in the past has to do with water going to the south side of the highway at Voss. He mentioned future areas of where drain tile might be installed someday upstream to the west, and that it would take water to Drain 98 via a culvert dug through the township road. Tanke added that ditch takes water north to Robert Osowski's area. Jallo commented on the water that goes behind Voss, how it goes north in the north ditch. J. Johnston acknowledged his department's authority over the culvert decision and that McCann's would need a permit from his department.
- Barta added that in the past he and Lawrence Burianek knew of plans that included a culvert to alleviate flooding by the beet dump and let the water go east. He does not know why that culvert was left out of the plan.
- Campbell asked if hydrology study should explore the effects of a possible addition of east culvert at the crossing Barta mentioned and the south culvert being requested by McCanns.
- Jallo mentioned that a ditch plug upstream of Voss near the beet dump blocked water to help the alleviate some of the flooding in Voss, and asked about Minto. Barta said he thought the project would bring no additional water to Minto, but rather it would be getting there by a different direction. He sees the biggest issue for Minto being water that backs up from the east from the river. Herrmann agreed in the complexity of the hydraulics in that area. He added that with a hydrology, the "baseline is what is permitted now". J. Johnston agreed with the need for a hydrology study and Herrmann will provide Johnston an estimate.

Drain 74 Texas Crossing-

Chris Thompson is requesting a Texas crossing on Drain 74 in Oakwood Township, Section 5. Land is owned by Floyd Burton. Currently Thompson is having difficulty with accessing both sides of his fields because the drain divides the field. The board located the area of the crossing and discussed the potential project with Herrmann present. Material suitability was discussed along with other specifications and O&M. Alternative access routes were discussed. Project tabled.

Slominski Tile Drainage Permit Conditions-

Admin. Asst. Sarah Johnston asked the board for guidance on permit conditions as they pertain to the latest drain tile permit as well as those in the future. The board discussed all pre-written subsurface drainage management permit conditions that are listed on the permit and within the applicant's letter. They provided the list to Johnston to add to this permit. Conditions for future permits will be discussed at the time of approval.

Park River Joint Water Resource Board- Meeting today in Cavalier at 1:15 pm.

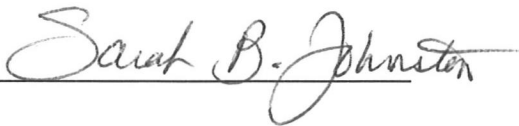
Miscellaneous:

- Brenton Hell left a message with a question on hunting access on Union Dam. The board stated that hunters and recreators are expected to follow the same access conditions as ND G&F Wildlife Management Areas.
- Jay Jelinek contacted the office to inquire if his appropriations permit notice had been received by board. Nothing was received.

Meeting adjourned. Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 31st.



Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman

Attest: 

Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

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- 8:00 a.m.** Call to Order
Roll Call
Agenda Approval
- 8:30 a.m.** Consent/Approval
- Minutes from January 24th Meeting
 - Bills
- 9:00 a.m.** Review of Water Legislation

Other items

- Miscellaneous Correspondence

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Tuesday, January 31st, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse, Grafton, ND

January 31, 2023 – 8:00 a.m.

Vice Chairman Larry Tanke called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order. Roll call taken: Chairman Daryl Campbell, Vice Chairman Larry Tanke and Manager Albin Jallo were present. Chairman Campbell attended via Zoom and Vice Chairman Tanke conducted the meeting.

Modifications to the agenda included recent applications for water appropriations. A motion was made by Manager Jallo to approve the agenda. 2nd by President Campbell. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 24th meeting was made by Chairman Campbell, 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried. No bills were presented for approval.

Review of Water Legislation- Assistant Sarah Johnston brought forth her questions on pending legislation and how it would relate to current century code and WRD operations. She was in the process of preparing comments on behalf of the board on HB 1391, SB 2037, SB 2326, and HB 1462 since attendance in Bismarck would not be possible during the upcoming hearings. The board took ample time to discuss the legislation and the current processes that take place in water district operations under the current century code. SB 2372 regarding watershed districts was also mentioned. Assistant Johnston will proceed with drafting and submitting comments to the committees.

New Appropriation Applications with Dept. of Water Resources-

Assistant Johnston contacted the Dept. of Water Resources for details on the recent applications for appropriations submitted to that office: Lane Kelly, Jay Jelinek, and Mark A. Novak. Applications were distributed to the board as an informational preview of these requests. Mr. Kelly and Mr. Jelinek have expressed interest in meeting with the board and will be scheduled accordingly.

Brad Narloch, Co. Rd 15-

Board returned call from Narloch who left message after meeting had commenced. Discussion centered around existing culverts, the new culvert proposed by McCann's, and Narloch's existing drainage permit. Narloch will contact the Walsh Co. Hwy Department who has jurisdiction.

Miscellaneous:

- Brent Hell's inquiry on Melstad Dam and accessing/leasing cropland surrounding it. The board will not entertain such request. Johnston will contact Hell to inform him.
- Snagging and Clearing project work on the Park River was discussed with Assistant Johnston in regards to how the process works for those types of projects, advertising, public meeting, etc. The board will need to start a new phase of the project with HEI soon. Vice Chairman Tanke then viewed the recent invoice from Triple D Construction for the last snag & clear work completed on the Park River.

Meeting adjourned. Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, February 7th.


Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman

Attest: 
Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant