Notice of Meeting and Agenda

Walsh County Water Resource District
Tuesday, November 21st, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse Lower Level Office #3

8:00 a.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Agenda Approval

Consent/Approval

- Minutes November 14th Meeting
- Bills
- Correspondence

8:30 a.m.

Walsh County Highway Drainage Permit-Jason Johnston

 Grant Skibicki- County Rd 19, Section 26, Medford Township Requesting to add approach

8:45 a.m.

Drain Maintenance Projects

- Drain 97- DOT Crossing Hwy 32/64th St NE, Vernon Township
- Drain 22B- Culvert flap follow-up

Other items: Miscellaneous Correspondence

Upcoming Meetings:

N. Branch Park River Watershed- Cart Creek Project- Public Hearing, December 12th at 11:00 am at the Pembina County Courthouse. The project proposal can be accessed at

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/conservation-basics/conservation-by-state/north-dakota/north-branch-park-river-watershed.

A printed copy of the Draft Plan-EA is available in our office. Comments are being solicited until January 12, 2024.

Reminders:

In accordance with North Dakota law, Water Resource Districts may, if necessary, depart from or add to the agenda at meetings.

People with disabilities who plan to participate in the meeting and need special arrangements should contact the Water Resource District office at 701-352-0081.

Proceedings of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board Meeting Tuesday, November 21st, 2023 Walsh County Courthouse, Grafton, ND

November 21st, 2023 – 8:00 a.m.

Chairman Daryl Campbell called the meeting of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Chairman Campbell, Manager Albin Jallo, Vice Chairman Tanke and Administrative Assistant Sarah Johnston.

The agenda was reviewed. Brad Suda was added to the agenda. *Vice Chairman Tanke moved to approve the agenda; 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.*

The minutes of the November 14th board meeting were provided. *Vice Chairman Tanke moved to approve the minutes;* 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried. Next, bills were reviewed. *Vice Chairman Tanke moved to approve the bills;* 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.

<u>Walsh Co. Highway Drainage Permits</u>: Jason Johnston attended to present Grant Skibicki's drainage permit application for consideration. Jason said Skibicki would like to add an approach near his bin site along County Road 19, Section 26 of Medford Township. The culvert in the approach will be 60ft x 12" and is located to the east of the bridge, on the south side of the road. *Vice Chairman Tanke moved to approve the application; 2nd by Jallo. Motion carried.*

Forest River Dike Removal: Brad Narloch approached the Board and Jason Johnston during the meeting to discuss the removal of the dike just north of the town of Forest River. The dike is located on the northwest side of the bridge. Jason plans to remove the dike now that the county has received the notice of decision from the WRD board. Brad said he is concerned about erosion that could result on the bank and ditch from the dike being taken down, if it is not done correctly. The board and Jason both indicated to Brad that the plan of the Highway Department is to install fabric and riprap the site after the dike is removed.

<u>Brad Suda- Culvert Request S7 of Walsh Centre Township</u>: Brad is looking to install a culvert on the north side of Section 7, along the section line, in Walsh Centre Township. After much discussion, the board recommended a 36" culvert size. They referred him to the township board for further consideration of his project.

Drain Maintenance Projects:

• <u>Drain 97</u>: Sarah talked with Jason Peterson of NDDOT to get a few questions answered regarding possible culvert replacement near Leslie Winther's farmstead on Highway 32. The WRD would be responsible for paying for the Hydraulic study. The project would need to be led by the WRD, and

the NDDOT would pay for construction. The project does not have to be pursued at this time. The culverts are in good condition and do not need to be replaced yet. The board unanimously decided not to pursue the project.

- <u>Drain 22B</u>- The culvert flap discussed with Carl Osowski at the last meeting may be fixed temporarily this fall, until a permanent fix is possible. Sarah will work on coordinating the fix with the contractor.
- Oslo Dike Culvert Flaps- Sarah spoke with Derek Gowan regarding the flaps missing from the
 dike's culvert along the N. Marais River along State Highway 46. The board asked Sarah to
 contact ND DOT to notify them of the stance on the culvert flaps and that the flaps should be put
 back on.
- <u>Kratchovil Dam</u>- Jack Karas notified the office that the intake culvert on the dam is still needing repair and/or replacement. The board will call on engineer Dan Fischer to visit the site.

Miscellaneous:

- Kenneth Slominski called during the meeting to follow up on the culvert he requested on Drain 28. The board would like he and his son to meet with the engineer at the next meeting to discuss further details of the project.
- The board revisited the invitation to participate in the Drain 10/Edmore Coulee project with Ramsey County and Cavalier County. The board decided to decline the invitation to participate in the joint water resources board that is working on the project.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Daryl Campbell, Chairman

Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant