

Proceedings of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 28th, 2023
Walsh County Courthouse, Grafton, ND

November 28th, 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 Admin. Assistant Sarah Johnston.

The agenda was reviewed. No additions or modifications were proposed. ***Vice Chairman Tanke moved to approve the agenda; 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.***

Vice Chairman Tanke moved to approve the minutes and the bills as provided; 2nd by Manager Jallo. Motion carried.

Jacob Wognum-Houston Engineering (HEI):

Wognum's monthly report included the following:

- Ongoing culvert project with BNSF on Drain 4A. The board will revisit the question of whom will maintain the culvert under the railroad tracks.
- Watercourse determination in Section 34 in Forest River township was recently received back from DWR regarding a complaint filed in 2021 by Luke Blair, and was reviewed with the board.
- Culvert quote for the FEMA site on 4A was signed off on.
- Park River Snag & Clear Phase 8 estimate is needed.

At 9:00 am, a few of the complaints received in the past month were reviewed with Jacob Wognum who was present. Attorney Dan Gaustad of Pearson Christenson of PLLP, called into the meeting. Parties filing dike complaints included John Miller Farms, as well as Brian Schuster on behalf of Walsh Centre Township. Mark A. Novak filed five water related complaints regarding drainages issues. Attorney Gaustad declared conflicts of interest on two of the complaints, and the remaining complaint items were discussed.


Kenneth and Kameron Slominski- Drain 28 Culvert- Walshville Twp. Section 19:


The board and Jacob Wognum discussed options with the Slominskis as far as where the new culvert could be installed. The Slominskis will work with the farmstead owners in the southeast quarter of Section 19 to see what is feasible with the driveway and possible culvert work. They will also work with the township and the utility company before any further planning with the board takes place.

Jason Johnston joined the meeting in inquire on the hydraulic study for the culverts on Drain 48/County Road 9. He also mentioned another source of funding for the replacement of those culverts.

The board will not meet on December 5th, but will meet on the 12th.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest: 
Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant


Daryl Campbell, Chairman