

**Notice of Meeting and Agenda**  
**Walsh County Water Resource District**  
**Tuesday, January 2nd, 2023**  
**Walsh County Courthouse Lower Level Office #3**

- 8:00 a.m.**                    Call to Order  
                                  Roll Call  
                                  Agenda Approval
- Consent/Approval
- Minutes – December 19th Meeting
  - Bills
  - Correspondence
- 9:00 a.m.**                    Jim Kjelland, Drain 97
- 9:30 a.m.**                    Jacob Wognum, Houston Engineering
- monthly report
- 10:00 a.m.**                  Larry Tanke
- Review of items related to drains and projects

**Other items:** Miscellaneous Correspondence

**Reminders:**

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

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**Proceedings of the Walsh County Water Resource District Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 2, 2024**  
**Walsh County Courthouse, Grafton, ND**

January 2, 2024 – 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: Manager Albin Jallo, Vice Chairman Tanke and Admin. Assistant Sarah Johnston. Chairman Daryl Campbell could not attend. Vice Chairman Tanke led the meeting.

Agenda: Sarah asked the board to consider adding Barb Tanke's letter regarding issues on Drain 10 to the agenda. **Manager Jallo moved to approve the agenda with the addition of the Barb Tanke-Drain 10 issues; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chairman Tanke. Motion carried.**

Minutes and Bills: **Manager Jallo moved to approve the minutes from December 19<sup>th</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chairman Tanke. Motion carried. Manager Jallo moved to approve the bills. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chairman Tanke. Motion carried.**

**Jim Kjelland, Drain 97:**

Jim appeared to discuss issues he's been having with water coming into his farmstead in the spring. Drain 97 is located to the northwest of his place on 128<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and turns a corner where it runs east, on the quarter line in Section 33 of Golden Township. The small waterway that runs east in the north ½ of the SE ¼ of Section 32 is not entering the drain, but rather it will flow straight east over the road and into the farmstead. After much discussion on how to alleviate the situation, the board will call on an engineer to assess the site and determine if a diagonal culvert can be installed that would take that water directly into the drain. The engineer would also need to look at the amount of drop from Jim's place to Highway 32.

Jim discussed with the board the drain assessments on his land within the Drain 97 assessment area. He said his land that is being assessed is primarily pasture and it helps to hold water, in addition to some of the drain being a natural drain, and he does not feel he should be assessed the maintenance assessment. Assessments were explained and the watershed area of assessment was reviewed.

**Jacob Wognum, Houston Engineering:**

Jacob provided his monthly report. Drains 4A, 22B, 28, 31,50/67, and Drain 25 were reviewed for status of ongoing planning tasks and/or available funding for future work. Larry will look into whom could make large gates for culverts.

The board would like to meet with the group of landowners from the Drain 50 assessment area who wanted to work on the drain. In 2023, a group approached the board with the idea of possible reconstruction, but no petition has been received from them. The board will schedule with them shortly.


Mark Novak's complaints are in the process of being investigated. He has requested that the review of his surface drainage permit #6207 be paused until the review of his complaints is complete.

The letter from Barb Tanke regarding concerns on Drain 10 will be discussed at the next meeting.

The board meets again on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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Larry Tanke, Vice Chairman

Attest:   
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Sarah B. Johnston, Administrative Assistant