MINUTES OF THE EDDY COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD December 5, 2023

A regular meeting of the Eddy County Water Resource Board was held on December 5, 2023 at 10:00 AM at the Eddy County Courthouse. Board members Kenneth Reis and Mike Tweed, and Secretary/Treasurer, Travis S. Peterson, were present in the basement of the Eddy County Courthouse.

The minutes of the regular November 7, 2023 meeting were presented. Tweed made a motion to approve. Second by Reis. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and reviewed. Reis made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Tweed seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bills presented for payment:

AE2S – Invoice #90447 (September 16, 2023 to October 13, 2023)	\$ 195.50
(Board approval of one-third of \$586.50)	
ND Water Users Association – 2024 Dues	\$ 300.00
ND Water Resource District Association – 2024 Dues	\$ 675.00
Insure Forward/NDIRF – 2024 insurance premium	\$ 584.00
Michael Tweed (meetings/mileage)	\$1,471.60
Kenneth Reis (meetings/mileage)	\$ 400.00
Peterson Law Offices PC (meetings, fees, costs)	\$7,590.98

Reis made a motion to pay the bills presented for payment. Seconded by Tweed. Motion carried.

Bank Forward Certificate of Deposit #86862 matured December 2, 2023 and options were discussed. Reis moved to renew the CD (principal and interest earned) for seven (7) months at the current rate of 5.25%. Seconded by Tweed. Motion carried.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Various correspondence was reviewed. Except as otherwise noted in these minutes no action required.

Old Business:

New Rockford Canal/Garrison Diversion Conservancy District: Peterson updated the board on his recent emails with Jesse Kist of AE2S. Peterson also informed the board that he has not heard from Ryan Anderson or GDCD regarding further investigation of alternative #2.

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District: Tweed reported that an executive meeting is scheduled for December 14th; and the next regular board meeting will take place in January 2024. Because of the favorable weather, construction on the pipeline continues.

<u>Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board:</u> Tweed summarized the business conducted at the November 8, 2023 meeting held at the Ramsey County Courthouse. It was a quiet meeting. In addition to the regular business, the following matters were discussed: website update, review of Bylaws, looking for basin projects, and a salary committee report. The next meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2023 in Bismarck in conjunction with the Annual Water Convention.

Upper Sheyenne Joint Water Resource Board: No update.

New Business: None

<u>Next Meeting:</u> The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 2, 2024, at 10:00 AM in the Eddy County Courthouse.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:26 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Travis S. Peterson, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

Kenneth Reis, Chairman