MINUTES OF THE EDDY COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD June 7, 2022

A regular meeting of the Eddy County Water Resource Board was held on June 7, 2022 at 9:00 AM at the Eddy County Courthouse. Board members Monty Schaefer, Mike Tweed and Secretary/Treasurer, Travis S. Peterson, were present in the basement of the Eddy County Courthouse. Eddy County landowners Jeff Anderson and Bryant Huso were also present.

The minutes of the regular May 3, 2022, meeting were presented. Tweed made a motion to approve. Second by Schaefer. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and reviewed. Schaefer made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Second by Tweed. Motion carried.

The following bills were presented for payment. Schaefer made a motion to pay the following bills as presented:

Summer Water Meeting – Fargo – Mike Tweed	\$170.00
Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board dues	\$650.00
Tammy Roerich – Rocky Run secretarial fees	\$110.73
Mike Tweed (January to June meetings and mileage)	\$1,721.82
Peterson Law Offices PC (January to June fees and costs)	\$4,560.00

Tweed seconded the motion to pay the bills. Motion carried.

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

Old Business:

Colvin Coulee: Landowners Jeff Anderson and Bryant Huso were present to discuss a cost share application and the bid submitted by Mark Rue of NCZ Express, Inc. Peterson presented the bid sheet of NCZ Express in the amount of \$160,000.00. Schaefer noted that the bid lacks any details of work to be done. Schaefer also noted that based on an assumed hourly rate of \$200, the bid amount calculates to 800 hours (or approximately 20 weeks) of work. Schaefer suggested that it might better to approach NCZ Express and request that they bill the project on an hourly basis. Also, the board recommended that Anderson and/or Huso contact a couple of other contractors for proposals. The Board provided contact information for Ryan Hager and Ben Varnson. Ben Varson should have contact information for the contractor that is doing the Johnson Lake/Nelson County clean out work. Peterson noted that Dean Somerville did not sign one section of the application. Anderson took Somerville's application with him and either he or Huso will get Somerville's signature. Anderson is also going to take an additional cost share application and approach another landowner who may benefit by joining the project. The Board took no action on the application pending receipt of additional cost proposals.

Rosefield Dam: No update.

<u>Garrison Diversion Conservancy District:</u> Tweed reported that the district continues to work to obtain easements for the Red River Valley Supply Project.

<u>Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board:</u> The last meeting was held on May 11, 2022. There were various agency reports. Devils Lake is up at least three feet, and it is projected that the lake will continue to rise. The next meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2022.

<u>Upper Shevenne Joint Water Resource Board</u>: Schaefer noted that the Eddy County Water Board will need to decide which of the three project sites it can financially support. There was discussion about the Red Bridge and the cost benefit of retaining versus removing. No decisions were made with regard to any site.

<u>2022 Joint Summer Water Meeting and Executive Briefing</u>: Tweed indicated that he will attend. Tweed completed his registration form. Peterson will cut a check and mail the registration.

<u>Next Meeting:</u> The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 5, 2022, at 9 AM in the Eddy County Courthouse.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Travis S. Peterson, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

Kenneth Reis, Chairman