

MINUTES OF THE EDDY COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD
October 4, 2022

A regular meeting of the Eddy County Water Resource Board was held on October 4, 2022 at 9:00 AM at the Eddy County Courthouse. Board members Kenneth Reis, Monty Schaefer, Mike Tweed, and Secretary/Treasurer, Travis S. Peterson, were present in the basement of the Eddy County Courthouse. At approximately 9:40 AM the following Eddy County landowners joined the meeting: Jeff Topp, Travis Black, and Gilbert Black.

The minutes of the regular September 6, 2022, meeting were presented. Schaefer made a motion to approve. Second by Tweed. Motion carried.

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

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

Old Business:

Colvin Coulee: Tweed thinks this work might be complete. He is waiting for a call back from Jeff Anderson to discuss. During the meeting Peterson texted Bryant Huso for an update. Huso did not respond during the meeting.

New Rockford Canal/Garrison Diversion Conservancy District: Four hundred feet (400') of 14 gauge 30" culvert, two flares, and nine bands have been delivered and are on site. Tweed has been in contact with Ryan Anderson, P.E., of GDCCD. Anderson indicates that an additional 160' of 30" culvert is necessary to span the culvert and access roads. Thus, it appears the total culvert length is approximately 560'. Anderson also informed Tweed that 14 ga. culvert is required due to the potential for heavy equipment traveling the access roads. Based on the recommendations of Anderson and the project requirements, Schaefer made a motion to purchase additional 14 ga. 30" culvert of an appropriate length and additional bands in order that Garrison Diversion Conservancy District can install the culvert across the NR Canal. Second by Tweed. Motion carried. Schaefer also made a motion to pay the True North Steel invoice #FP22672 in the amount of \$23,756.62 for 400' of 14 ga. 30" culvert, 9 bands, and 2 flares that were previously delivered. Second by Reis. Motion carried.

Upper Sheyenne Joint Water Resource Board: There has been no meeting since the last Eddy County Water Board Meeting.

Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board: Tweed summarized the business conducted at the last meeting held on September 14, 2022. The next meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2022 at 8:00 AM in the Ramsey County Courthouse.

Garrison Diversion Conservancy District: There has been no meeting since the last Eddy County Water Board Meeting. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for October 6th and 7th.

New Business:

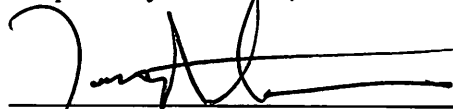
Ellingson/Black Cleanout in Cherry Lake Township: Jeff Topp, Travis Black, and Gilbert Black were present to discuss a potential cleanout project in Township 148, Range 63 (Cherry Lake Township). There is significant cattail growth and siltation in and around the stream and culverts in Sections 34, 35 and 36. This has caused many acres to become unproductive; and at times causes the county road between Sections 35 and 36 to become inundated with water. The water should flow westerly toward Round Lake, then southerly toward Lake Juanita in Foster County. Travis Black owns the Section 34 property; Josephine Ellingson owns the Section 35 property; and Arland Hoyt owns the Section 36 property. Dan Sizer, Josephine Ellingson's son-in-law, farms the Ellingson property. Jeff Topp owns and farms property north of and upstream of the problem areas. Jeff Topp, Travis Black, representatives of US Fish & Wildlife Service (Dave Azure and Stacy Wipf) and Todd Weber, Eddy County Road Supervisor, previously met on-site to view the problem areas and discuss remedial action. According to Topp, Dan Sizer applied for and is in the process of receiving a burn permit from Fish & Wildlife Service. Upon receipt of the burn permit the plan is to burn cattails (after Sizer's corn is off). After the cattails are burned, the parties would like to cleanout the channel and culverts so that the water again flows west toward Round Lake.

Peterson will email to Travis Black the cost share application to be completed and signed by landowners/interested parties. Travis Black indicated he would visit with Arland Hoyt to see if Hoyt is interested in cleanout of any of the stream in the NW1/4 of Section 36. The landowners/interested parties will also work to obtain cost estimates from a number of contractors. When landowners/interested are ready to move forward, the application and cost estimates will be submitted for Water Board review. If the landowners/interested want approval prior to the November 1, 2022 meeting, then Peterson or Reis should be contacted so that a special meeting can be scheduled.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2022, at 9 AM in the Eddy County Courthouse.

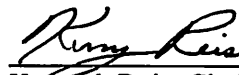
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Travis S. Peterson, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Kenneth Reis, Chairman