

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FOSTER COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

Carrington, ND
April 10, 2024

The regular scheduled meeting of the Foster County Water Resource Board was held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, commencing at 7:00 am at the Foster County Courthouse in the Jury Room with all board members present. Also present were Danielle Koepplin, Secretary/Treasurer, Jeff Wede, Mike Gussiaas, RJ Theis, Karl Hoppe, Steve Wede, Jerry Becker, Trevor VandeHoven, and Brian Johnson with Johnson Excavating. Attorney Kale Van Bruggen and Engineer Jennifer Malloy were present via Microsoft Teams.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Doug Zink.

AGENDA. The agenda was reviewed and was followed for the balance of the meeting.

MINUTES. Board members had received a copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of March 13, 2024. After discussion and an amendment, it was moved by Bata, second by Bachmeier, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2024 meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT. The financial condition of the board was reviewed, with a balance of \$194,866.07 per the statement of March 31, 2024, being held at Bremer Bank in Carrington. (Assessment Drain No. 1 Bond Balance-\$5,079.86) Motion to approve by Stangeland, second by Stedman, all in favor. Motion carried.

BILLS AND STATEMENTS. The following bills were discussed, being approved for payment upon motion by Stangeland, second by Stedman. All in favor. Motion carried.

Apex Engineering (General Services)-\$624.00

Rinke Noonan (Drain No. 1)-\$3,766.50

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Brandon & Hannah Gussiaas (Drain No. 1)-\$3,000.00

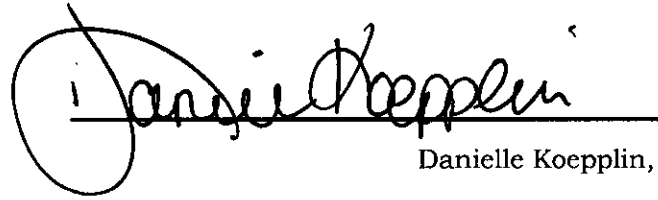
Point Value Appraisal Inc. (Drain No.1 VandeHoven/Straley)-\$3,000.00

FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1. No update or changes at this time.

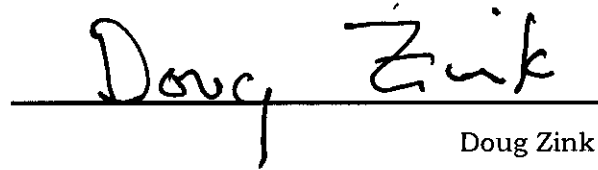
FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1- EASEMENT ACQUISITION. Attorney Van Bruggen gave an update to the board. At the time of the meeting there are four outstanding easements that have not been signed and or returned. Point Value Appraisals has started on appraisals for Paul Straley and Trevor VandeHoven's easements. Landowner Karl Hoppe was present and voiced concerns about it being a 99-year easement, Attorney Van Bruggen explained the reason for length of time is to ensure the drain can be maintained per N.D.C.C. Landowner Trevor VandeHoven was present and voiced concerns about the amount of water his property may endure. It was moved by Stangeland to request a stream crossing study to establish the flow rate along the North and East side of Section 22, Township 146N, Range 65W seconded by Bachmeier. All in favor. Motion Carried. (Trevor VandeHoven will drop of a map with Secretary Koepplin) Landowner Michael Gussiaas was present and asked that his easement be amended to 50 feet on each side of the easement after the construction phase.

SCOTTS SLOUGH/KELLY CREEK. Multiple landowners were present and approached the board about the amount of water in Scott's Slough and the water being outside of the banks along Kelly Creek and the secondary channel. After lengthy discussion it was moved by Stangeland, and seconded by Stedman to table the topic and/or discussion. All in favor. Motion carried. (No formal complaint was submitted and no request was put before the board, therefore no action taken aside from discussion.)

ADJOURNMENT. It was mutually agreed the next regular board meeting will be held May 8, 2024 being no further business; it was moved by Bachmeier, and seconded by Stedman to adjourn at 8:33. All in favor. Motion carried.



Danielle Koepplin,
Recording Secretary



Doug Zink
Chairman