

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FOSTER COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

Carrington, ND
November 8, 2023

The regular scheduled meeting of the Foster County Water Resource Board was held on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, commencing at 7:00 am at the Foster County Courthouse in the Community Room with all board members present. (Jeff Bata present via Microsoft Teams) Also present was Danielle Koeplin, Secretary/Treasurer. Jennifer Malloy and Kale Van Bruggen were present via Microsoft Teams.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brent Bachmeier.

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 October 11, 2023. After discussion, it was moved by Stangeland, second by Stedman, to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2023 meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT. The financial condition of the board was reviewed, with a balance of \$333,014.23 per the statement of September 30, 2023, being held at Bremer Bank in Carrington. (October 2023 bank statement had not been received) (Assessment Drain No. 1 Bond Balance-\$32,632.86) 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 (Drain No. 1-\$977.50

FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1. Jennifer Malloy with Apex Engineering gave an update to the board. At this time all permits have been received and the project can move forward. Once the plans are finalized the invitation for bids will be published in the Foster County Independent for three consecutive weeks.

FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1- EASEMENT ACQUISITION. Kale Van Bruggen gave an update to the board. Attorney Van Bruggen and Jennifer Malloy attended the Foster County Board of Commissioners meeting on November 7, 2023 and explained the Easement Acquisition process to board members and answered questions as needed. The next step in the process is to send out letters to all land owners.

AGREEMENT FOR COST-SHARE REIMBURSEMENT.

Bata moved to approve the cost-share agreement and allow Chairman Bachmeier to sign the agreement for Foster County Drain No. 1 construction project between the State of North Dakota by and through the State Water Commission and the Foster County Water Resource District, second by Stedman. All in favor. (Zink abstained)

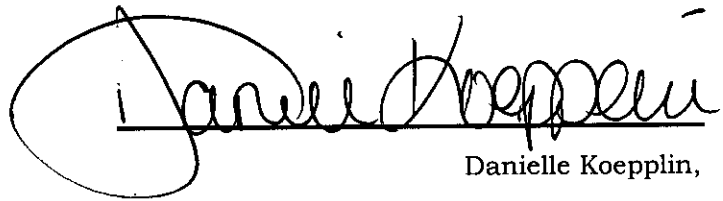
RESOLUTION SETTING REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR 2024.

After review and discussion, it was moved by Zink to adopt the proposed "Resolution Setting Regular Meeting Schedule for the Year 2024", seconded by Stedman and the roll call vote on the motion was as follows: Bata: Yea, Bachmeier: Yea, Stangeland: Yea, Zink: Yea, and Stedman: Yea. Motion carried. Motion carried.

STATE LAND CLEAN OUT SECTION 16. TOWNSHIP 145N. RANGE 64W.

Justin Jensen brought it to board member's attention that a natural drain is being blocked. (SW ¼ in Section 16-145N-64W/State Lands) Zink moved to authorize Chairman Bachmeier to approve a letter prepared by Kale Van Bruggen and Jennifer Malloy asking for permission to clean out the blockage and allow Zink to attend the State Land Meeting, second by Bata. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT. It was mutually agreed the next regular board meeting will be held December 13, 2023 being no further business; it was moved by Stedman, and seconded by Zink to adjourn at 7:35. All in favor. Motion carried.



Danielle Koeplin,
Recording Secretary



Brent Bachmeier
Chairman