REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

FOSTER COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

Carrington, ND January 15, 2025

The regular scheduled meeting of the Foster County Water Resource Board was held on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, commencing at 7:00 am at the Foster County Courthouse in the Jury Room with all board members present. Also present was Danielle Koepplin, Secretary/Treasurer, Diane Straley, Brian Johnson, and Jeff Wede. 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.

<u>MINUTES.</u> Board members had received a copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 11, 2024. After discussion, it was moved by Bachmeier, second by Stangeland, to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2024 meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT. The financial condition of the board was reviewed, with a balance of \$211,152.86 per the statement of December 31, 2024, being held at Bremer Bank in Carrington. (Assessment Drain No. 1 Bond Balance-\$0.00) Motion to approve by Stedman, second by Bachmeier, all in favor. Motion carried.

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

Rinke Noonan (General Services)-\$5,632.50

Rinke Noonan (Drain No. 1)-\$2,672.20

Apex Engineering (General Service)-312.00

Apex Engineering (Drain No. 1)-\$153.00

Per Diem- Jeff Edland (October 2024-December 2024)- \$183.50

FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1. Brandon Gussiaas has some concerns about some items on his land. Jennifer Malloy is working with Gladen Construction to resolve the issue.

FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1- EASEMENT ACQUISITION. Default Judgments were entered in both Foster County District Court files on January 8, 2025. This agenda item can be removed from future agendas.

ELECTIONS. After discussion, motion made by Stedman to nominate Ronn Stangeland as Chairman, second by Bachmeier. Nominations ceased and motion carried upon unanimous vote. Motion was made by Stedman to nominate Doug Zink for Vice Chairman, second by Bachmeier. Nominations ceased and motion carried upon unanimous vote. Motion was made by Zink to Appoint Diane Straley as Secretary/Treasurer, second by Bachmeier. All in favor. Motion carried. (Minutes will be emailed to Bremer Bank to make the appropriate updates to the signature card.)

<u>2025</u> LEGISLATIVE UPDATE. After discussion Edland made a motion to authorize Ronn Stangeland and/or Doug Zink to submit written or in person testimony in opposition to SB 2118. Second by Bachmeier. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>I-PAD PURCHASE.</u> Motion made by Zink to allow Diane Straley to purchase an I-pad. Second by Stedman. All in favor. Motion carried.

SCOTT'S SLOUGH. Jennifer Malloy went over the crossing analysis that was completed by Apex Engineering. Brian Johnson's (Johnson Excavating) findings in regards to Kelly Creek and Scott's Slough were discussed. Bachmeier made a motion to approve (with changes) the proposed letter to Jerry and Tamara Becker. Second by Edland. All in favor. Motion carried. (Letter will be sent via USPS certified mail)

<u>CARRINGTON CREEK CLEAN-OUT.</u> Johnsons Excavating will submit a bid for the clean out in Section 26 of Rosehill Township.

ADJOURNMENT. It was mutually agreed the next board meeting will be held February 12, 2025 being no further business; it was moved by Zink, and seconded by Bachmeier to adjourn at 7:54. All in favor. Motion carried.

Danielle Koepplin,

Recording Secretary

Ronn Stangeland Chairman

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