

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FOSTER COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

Carrington, ND  
January 14, 2026

The regular meeting of the Foster County Water Resource Board was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2025, commencing at 7:09 am at the Foster County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting Room with the following members present: Ronn Stangeland, Doug Zink, Alex Stedman, Jeff Edland and Brent Bachmeier. Also present was Dianne Straley, Secretary/Treasurer, and Jerry Becker. Attorney Kale Van Bruggen and Engineer Jennifer Malloy were present via Microsoft Teams.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Ronn Stangeland.

**AGENDA.** The agenda was reviewed, Bachmeier made a motion to add the reorganization of the board to the agenda. Stedman seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried. The agenda was followed for the balance of the meeting.

**MINUTES.** Board members received a copy of the minutes of the special meeting of December 16, 2025. Zink made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Bachmeier seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT.** The financial condition of the board was reviewed, with a general fund cash balance of \$139,978.98 as of December 31, 2025, being held at Bremer Bank in Carrington. Motion to approve the financial report was made by Zink, second by Bachmeier, all in favor. Motion carried.

**BILLS AND STATEMENTS.** The following bills were presented, Zink made a motion to approve the bills, second by Bachmeier. All in favor. Motion carried.

a. **Rinke Noonan**

Invoice 404793 - General - \$550.00

Invoice 405260 -Subsurface Waste Management Permit Application 2025-0006 - \$1,558.00

**Total:** \$2,108.00

- b. **Apex Engineering** – Meeting Prep and Attendance, review of Scott's Slough, Steam Crossing Study, etc - \$1,199.50
- c. **Alex Stedman** – July 2025 – December 2025 Meeting Miles & Allowance - \$726.00
- d. **Brent Bachmeier** – July 2025 – December 2025 Meeting Miles & Allowance - \$725.40
- e. **Doug Zink** - July 2025 – December 2025 Meeting Miles & Allowance - \$808.80
- f. **Ronn Stangeland** - July 2025 – December 2025 Meeting Miles & Allowance - \$985.20
- g. **Dianne Straley** - July 2025 – December 2025 - \$2,400.00
- h. **Jeff Edland** - July 2025 – December 2025 Meeting Miles & Allowance - \$707.00

**FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1.** There was nothing new to report on Drain No. 1.

***\*\*Draft Meeting Minutes\*\****

**SCOTT'S SLOUGH.** Zink presented copies of pictures that were taken on the part of the slough where the Texas crossing once was on Jerry and Tamara Beckers land.

**CARRINGTON CREEK CLEANOUT.** Nothing new to report.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

**STREAM CROSSING DETERMINATION LETTER.** The letter received from Garrett Larson, Water Resource Engineer, was distributed to the members for their review. After some discussion, Zink made a motion for Straley to send copies of the studies to Estabrook township, Rosehill township, Bobbie Joe Theis and Trevor Vande Hoven for their review. Stedman seconded the motion, motion carried.

**OPEN MIC.** Jerry Becker stated that there were some spots that need to be widened on Scott's Slough before Spring and he explained what he would like to do. It was stated that Jerry Becker didn't need official "permission" from the water board to widen the slough.

**REORGANIZATION OF BOARD.** After discussion, Zink made a motion to nominate Brent Bachmeier as Chairman, seconded by Stangeland. Nominations ceased and motion carried upon unanimous vote. Stangeland made a motion to nominate Doug Zink for Vice Chairman, seconded by Stedman. Nominations ceased and motion carried upon unanimous vote. Motion was made by Zink to appoint Dianne Straley as Secretary/Treasurer, seconded by Bachmeier. All in favor, motion carried. (Minutes will be emailed to Old National Bank to make the appropriate updates to the signature card.)

**ADJOURNMENT.** It was mutually agreed that the next board meeting will be held February 11, 2026, in the basement Board Room, being no further business; it was moved by Zink and seconded by Stedman to adjourn at 7:53 AM. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Dianne Straley,  
Recording Secretary

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Ronn Stangeland  
Chairman