

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FOSTER COUNTY WATER RESOURCE BOARD

Carrington, ND  
August 13, 2025

The regular meeting of the Foster County Water Resource Board was held on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, commencing at 6:57 am at the Foster County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting Room with the following members present: Ronn Stangeland, Jeff Edland, Doug Zink, Alex Stedman and Brent Bachmeier. Also present was Dianne Straley, Secretary/Treasurer. 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, Zink made a motion to add Proposed changes in Administrative Code for the North Dakota Department of Water Resources to the agenda, Stedman seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried. With the addition above, the agenda was followed for the balance of the meeting.

**MINUTES.** Board members received a copy of the minutes of the special meeting of July 16, 2025. After reviewing the minutes, it was moved by Edland 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 cash balance of \$252,456.03 as of July 31, 2025, being held at Bremer Bank in Carrington. Motion to approve by Zink, second by Stedman, all in favor. Motion carried.

**BILLS AND STATEMENTS.** The following bills were discussed, Zink made a motion to approve the bills, except for the ND Water Resource Districts Association dues, which would be tabled, second by Stedman. All in favor. Motion carried.

a. Rinke Noonan

Date	Invoice	Rinke Noonan	Amount
<i>Drain No. 1 Easement</i>			
7/18/2025	396591	Foster County Assessment Drain #1	47.50
			47.50
<i>General Billing</i>			
		Subsurface Water Management System	
7/18/2025	397032	Permit Application-Jared Zink	197.50
7/18/2025	396433	General	550.00
7/18/2025	397411	2025 Legislative Session	142.50
		Stream Crossing (7th St NE; SE1/4 Sec 28	
7/18/2025	396468	& NE1/4 Sec 33-147-66)	47.50
		Stream Crossing (76th Ave NE; NE1/4	
7/18/2025	396748	Sec 22 & NW1/4 Sec 23-146-65)	47.50
7/18/2025	397732	Public Comment Policy	95.00
7/18/2025	397638	Bonding Fund & Insurance Coverage	950.00
		Natural Watercourse Maintenance Cost	
7/18/2025	396763	Share Policy	2,712.00
			4,742.00
		Amount to Be Remitted	4,789.50

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- b. Doug Zink – Meeting & Mileage Allowance – January – June 2025 - \$805.20
- c. ND Water Resource Districts Association – 2026 Dues - \$700.00
- d. Gladen Construction – Pay App 4 Final - \$68,840.25

**FOSTER COUNTY ASSESSMENT DRAIN NO. 1.** Malloy plans on coming to Carrington on August 19<sup>th</sup> to meet with Straley to go over the final costs worksheet and to discuss the cost share worksheet for parcels and letters to be sent out. She asked Stangeland to sign the final change order and payment application for Gladen Construction.

**SCOTT'S SLOUGH.** Nothing new to report.

**PROPOSED CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE FOR THE NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES.** Kale described what the process would look like if this was passed. The process would take longer and would be more complicated. They are accepting comments until September 12<sup>th</sup> and then there will be hearings in Fargo and Bismarck. Zink made a motion to have Van Bruggen prepare comments and submit them to the ND DWR and to the ND Water Resource Districts Association. Bachmeier seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

**NATURAL WATER COURSE MAINTENANCE COST-SHARE POLICY.** Zink made a motion to table the policy, Bachmeier seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. There was discussion regarding the maps that Malloy is putting together showing the Blue Streams and how the maps might be used as a guide for the policy.

**CARRINGTON CREEK CLEANOUT** Zink reported that the Department of Water Resources is still one to two months out on completing stream studies. Zink noted that there is a 3-4-foot-wide dike at the end of the creek, he said he will talk to the landowner about removing it or what other solutions are available. The cost of cleaning out the creek was discussed.

**ND STATE BONDING FUND APPLICATION** Straley presented the application with coverage of \$132,500.00. Stedman made a motion to approve the application as presented. Bachmeier seconded the motion. Zink abstained from voting. All in favor. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS** No new business was presented.

**ADJOURNMENT.** It was mutually agreed that the next board meeting will be held September, 2025, in the basement Board Room, being no further business; it was moved by Stedman and seconded by Edland to adjourn at 7:48. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Dianne Straley,  
Recording Secretary

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Ronn Stangeland  
Chairman

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