

Dickey County Water Resource District

MEETING MINTUES

December 21, 2022

8:00 a.m.

The Dickey County Water Resource District met at the Dickey County Courthouse on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at 8:00 am. Managers Keith Hauck and Justin Gemar were both present at the meeting. Managers Don Zimbleman and John Quandt joined via video conference as well as Sean Fredricks, the board's attorney and Nathan Trosen, Moore Engineering representative. Chairman Hansen was absent.

Vice Chairman, Keith Hauck conducting the meeting in the absence of Chairman Hansen, called the meeting to order.

***Approval of 2023 Monthly meetings and times***

Secretary Hansen presented the 2023 monthly meeting dates and times for approval. Manager Gemar moved to approve the meeting dates and times for 2023. Manager Quandt seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

***Steve Hansen NOA for appropriation of water***

Sean Fredricks, the board's attorney, informed the board of the Notice of Application for appropriation of water on behalf of Steve Hansen and that the letter that was received was informational and that no action is required by the board on this matter. The Board did not have any concerns or comments regarding the application.

***Inquiry about a section line complaint***

County Auditor, Wanda Sheppard, forwarded an email she received from Attorney Keven Kercher regarding a hole that was dug within the statutory 33-foot section line. The Board reviewed a map of the alleged hole and noted this matter impacts a township road, and not a County road. After discussion with Sean Fredricks, the board's attorney, the Board directed Mr. Fredricks to reach out via email to Mr. Kercher and inform him that this complaint should be directed to the townships involved as this would be a township matter and not a county matter.

***Dickey County Drain 1 discussion***

Manager Gemar explained he had a couple land owners reach out to him about the potential for adding a pumping station to the end of Dickey County Drain #1 to pump into the Maple River to speed up the draining process during a flood or high-water event. Manager Gemar was looking for direction as to what is the process in starting this kind of project. Sean discussed the three issues he thought would need to be addressed to allow the project to go forward. The first issue would be permitting; the Board would have to obtain a permit from the North Dakota Department of Water Resources, to modify the existing Drain 1 permit. The second issue would be cost; the Board would have to determine if the whole drain would benefit from the pump station, or if only a few landowners or parcels would benefit. The third issue is whether the Board has sufficient right of way for the addition of a pump station. After much

discussion, it was recommended that the landowners come before the board to present the proposal. Electricity was also discussed as to where it would come from or is it accessible and there is power close to the proposed pump site.

***Meeting Minutes***

Manager Zimbleman moved to approve the November 16, 2022 meeting minutes. Manager Gemar seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

***Bills and Financial Report***

The board considered bills from Ohnstad Twichell of \$2124.88 and Moore Engineering of \$92.50. Secretary Hansen gave the financial report. Manager Gemar moved to approve the bills and financial report. Manager Zimbleman seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Manager Zimbleman moved to adjourn the meeting and Manager Quandt seconded the motion. All were in favor with AYE and the meeting was adjourned.

**APPROVED:**

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Steve Hansen, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Judy Hansen, Secretary