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Dickey County Water Resource District

MEETING MINUTES

June 17, 2026

The Dickey County Water Resource District met at the courthouse in Ellendale ND at 8:00 am on Wednesday, June 17, 2026. Managers John Quandt and Don Zimbleman were both present at the meeting. Sean Fredricks, the board's attorney and Nathan Trosen, Moore Engineering Representative, joined via video conference. Managers Steve Hansen and Keith Hauck also joined via video conference. Manager Justin Gemar was absent from the meeting. Amy Mittleider was also present at the meeting.

Chairman Hansen called the meeting to order.

Public Comment Period

There were no comment cards submitted or any other requests for public comment.

Todd Ochsner Permitting Applications

Mr. Ochsner is in the process of completing applications for drainage but those applications were not completed before the meeting so no decisions were made on this. Sean Fredricks provided the required surface permit application and subsurface water management application to Mr. Ochsner.

Surface Permit Application Changes-Sean

Sean Fredricks, the board's attorney, gave a brief explanation of changes to the North Dakota Administrative Code for surface drain permitting. He explained that the rule changes will alter how WRDs process surface permits but that the surface permitting statute will still require the Board to analyze potential downstream impacts. Under N.D. Cent. Code 61-32-03, if a project will result in downstream impacts, the reviewing WRD must require the applicant to obtain downstream flowage easements as a condition to the approved permit.

Fredricks and Nate Trosen, the Board's engineer, will assist the Board with surface permit applications to ensure the Board complies with state law.

Lamoure County-Boom Lake Surface Permit Application to DWR

The Dickey County Water Resource District received a letter from The Lamoure County Water Resource District, in regards to, the Surface Drain Application they submitted to the DWR for a surface drain to be constructed by the Lamoure County Water Resource District to lower the level of water on Boom Lake in Lamoure County. The correspondence to the Dickey County WRD was simply to inform us of their request for drainage to the DWR. The Board need not make any decisions regarding the project.

Dickey County Drain #1 updates

Manager Zimbleman indicated there were no issues of flooding at this point and the drain seemed to be functioning well.

Yorktown Maple Expansion update

There was a brief discussion on the expansion and possibility of installing a pumping site to reduce the level of water around Yorktown Maple Drain. The Board did not make any decisions; the Board will gather more information before making any decisions regarding possible project expansions.

Budget

The Dickey County Water Resource District assembled the budget for the rest of 2026 and for 2027, including assessment drain assessments and the Board's general budget. Manager Quandt moved to approve the budget as prepared by the Board, and to direct the Secretary-Treasurer to forward to the County. Manager Hauck seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hansen left the meeting at this point and Vice Chairman Hauck conducted the remaining meeting agenda.

Meeting Minutes

Manager Quandt moved to accept the May 20, 2026 meeting minutes. Manager Zimbleman seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report and Bills

The board considered bills from Ohnstad Twichell of \$2476.50, Judy Hansen of \$114.47 and Moore Engineering of \$301. Secretary Hansen gave the financial report. Manager Quandt moved to accept the financial report and bills. Manager Zimbleman seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

Steve Hansen, Chairman

Attest:

Judy Hansen, Secretary