

Special Meeting Oct 16, 1980

The meeting was opened by Chm. Vangness

The sec. report was read and approved.

The meeting was called to let a contract for the roads and bridges above the R2 structure. Only one contractor had shown interest in the project. He was Ford Schumacher of Cumlata. Mr Schumacher had agreed to buy the I beams while the Dist was to buy the Culvert for the trap road. Mr Schumacher's cost estimate to do the concrete work on both the trap and private roads, ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~cost~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~work~~ was \$9500.⁰⁰.

A motion by Mr. Terwilliger and seconded by Mr. Vangness to give the job to Mr Schumacher was passed with an allowance of \$1500.⁰⁰ cost overrun.

The following agreement was drawn up.

The contractor agrees to construct and alter bridges and roads according to specifications and plans attached hereto, and install culvert, lower water level as needed and directed. Contractor agrees to do this work in days. The Dist. agrees to pay upon completion of project including the private driveway. This project is located in sec 29 + 30 of Belle Creek trap and is referred to as the Otterness Bridge and Romo driveway. Dist fill is to be taken within 600 feet of V Bridges or project.

The following bills were paid.

state Social Security.	4.61
tele.	20.79
Business Agency - Bonds	27.00

The meeting was adjourned

yours truly

Dave Fongsdorf Sec.

Dec 1, 1980 monthly meeting

The meeting was opened by Chm. Vangness

Mr Bjorkie + Mr Aurada of the soil conservation service went over the final plans for the R2 structure. The board then signed the Project measure agreement and the land rights agreement so the project could be let by Mar 1, 1981. This project would also be of negotiated contract like the 5 projects.

Mr Vangness asked that there be no dormant seeding on this structure. The total cost estimate on R2 is \$625,000⁰⁰.

Mr Aurada commented that R5 + R9 were still tied up with hazard studies and may be reclassified as B structures.

Mr Vangness stated that the concrete work on the trap + private roads above R2 was done and the earthmoving was in progress as of the day.

Mr Aurada also asked the board to sign an agreement which would alleviate the board from any responsibility pertaining to the Army Corp of Engineers 404 requirement. He said that R2 could be excluded from these requirements.

a motion by Longstaff and seconded to pay Floyd Schumacher \$8,785.87 for his work on the two budgets was passed. a check was to be ordered from T-HA and also a lien waiver before payment was made.

Frank Murray talked about the questionable value of the railroad trestles and changing the land from commercial to agricultural. Mr Murray wanted to get a lien on the exact acreage in case the land should be sold to the state for a possible recreational trail or some one else. He stated the railroad had not yet been legally abandoned.

Dec 1 cont.

Mr Aurada said that the 52 + 53 projects would be reseeded in the spring. Total costs on these two projects was \$690,000.⁰⁰

A motion by Mr Terwilliger and seconded by Mr Wagners to hire Mr Murray as an independent contractor rather than an employee was passed. This would alleviate the board of payments to P.F.R.A.

A motion to pay the following bills was passed.

tete.	34.72	
Franklin	249.44	
FICA.	42.91	12.26 X 350. ⁰⁰
P.F.R.A.	33.25	9.5 X 350. ⁰⁰

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned

yours truly
Dave Fergsdorf Sec.

State Convention. Dec 5 + 6

All three board members attended the tenth annual meeting of Minnesota Association of Watershed Dist. in Alexandria. The Convention began at 10:00 a.m. on Dec 5th at Arrowood Lodge. Many reports were given, nominations committees were set up, seminars were held discussing the activities and problems of districts throughout the state. The three regions of the state held caucuses at 5:30 on Friday to elect delegates from each region to be part of the state officers.

This meeting was continued on Saturday with other reports from the water resources board, consideration of by law amendments and other business. On Saturday afternoon seminars continued throughout the afternoon and a banquet in the evening followed by adjournment. The managers returned home on Sunday.

yours truly
Dave Fergsdorf Sec.

Jan 17 1981

2nd training session for managers.

all board members attended this meeting at the Rodisson Plaza in St Paul.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30

Several topics were discussed such as the status of the local water management study, the role of the waste management board, the use of remote sensing, and an activity report by the prior Lake, Spring Lake watershed dist.

after lunch there was discussion of amendments to the watershed act, and coordination between the soil conservation service and intergovernmental units. the meeting adjourned at 3:30.

Yours truly
Dove Langsdorf Sec

Feb 2 1981 monthly meeting.

the meeting was opened by Chm. Vangness.

The sec. report was read and approved.

Board members talked about upcoming meetings. on Feb 6 at the vo tech a Conservation meeting was scheduled and on Feb 11 a meeting on Hazard waste dumps was to be held in Rochester.

Hermit Bjorlie submitted a list of applicants for soil conservation work in 1981. He also stated that the classification on R 5 may not be changed but still wasn't sure. He said that an Indian contractor was very interested in the R 2 project which was scheduled to be negotiated this spring.

a brief discussion on the S 2 + S 3 projects found everyone disappointed with the costs involved and the benefits available.

Mr Vangness asked Mr Bjorlie if the stream banks would ever be straightened between No 9 and No 1. Mr Bjorlie said possibly after all the structures were in.

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Feb 2, 1981 cont.

Mr Bjorkie said there was a good dam site east of Mr Vangness's farm. Mr. Vangness said he would work on that.

a motion to pay the following bills was passed.

Martin Tongen - auditing books.	6.00
tele Bill.	10.40
Harold Buck. cost share on dam.	800.00
Dave Fargsdorf mgr. wages + mileage	540.40
Vernon Vangness " " " "	467.10
Clifford Thuwelliger " " " "	505.70
Ranstad Construction. Earthmoving	6905.77

There being no further business the meeting was adj.

yours truly
Dave Fargsdorf sec.

Feb 9, 1981 meeting to correct conveyance.

the board met briefly at the home of the Chm Vangness.

Purpose of the meeting was to correct a description of land conveyed by Vernon and Linda Vangness which reads as follows.

whereas an easement for the construction of dam R2 of the Belle Creek watershed dist from Vernon + Linda Vangness was defined in error, a motion ^{was made} by Mr Fargsdorf to correct this error. ~~was~~ now therefore to correct the error of the district shall convey to Vernon + Linda Vangness the land incorrectly described in a proper instrument of conveyance and accept from Vernon + Linda Vangness a proper instrument of conveyance with the proper description of the easement intended to be conveyed. Mr. Thuwelliger seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

there was no further business conducted.

yours truly
Dave Fargsdorf sec.

Apr 6 1981 monthly meeting.

The meeting was brought to order by Chm. Vangness
the sec. report was read and approved.

a discussion on whether to buy additional ins for
dam liability was tabled.

Mr Murray commented that the railroad issue was
settled since the land was reclassified as ag.

The Robertson bridge was discussed and the board agreed
to attend the Lewis town board meeting to discuss
the problem.

John Aurada commented the DNR position was
either close the road or raise it. He also said
that if left as is, the road could be under water
for about 24 hours on a one hundred year storm.
He said that all plans for R5 were now completed
and the contract should be let by Sept 1, if the road
issue was solved.

Mr Vangness commented that he had been in contact
with Glen Warner of the DNR and a permit application
was to be sent in.

Some repairs were needed on R4 and a motion to hire
this done was passed.

The sec was instructed to get saddlelocks and chains for the
gate, and riser wheel gate on R1.

Mr Aurada commented that negotiations on R2 should be
completed by May 1. The DNR permit should also be
ready by then.

S2 was to be reseeded + reshaped in Apr.

Mr Murray suggested the board send out a typed
letter to all landowners above existing structure
asking them to review their farming practices, encourage
them to use good conservation practices and reduce

soil loss as much as possible. If dams were allowed to fill up with sediment and had to be cleaned, an assessment would have to be made against those responsible if they were negligent in their farming practices.

a motion to pay the following bills was passed

take	27.83
Francis Murray	488.-
Business expenses	564.-
State Dues.	175.-

there being no further business the meeting was adj.

yours truly
David Torgerson Sec

May 3 1981
Monthly Meeting -

The meeting was opened by Chm. Vangness.

The Dec report was read and approved.

There was a discussion about possible assessments being made against farmers who were liable for excessive erosion and sedimentation into either the district's structures or private ones. The board's feeling was that within the district anyone could be liable either above or below a structure.

Mr Vangness reported that the permit had not yet come for R2.

Hermit Bjorlie said he was quite sure SCS would repair dills on S2 + S3 yet this year.

John Aurada felt it might be easiest to get a local farmer to repair any damages on existing structures.

Board members commented on the fact that the ingress-egress road on R4 had been planted to corn. Mr Melvin Spoblom was to be called to find out why.

A question as to where the ingress-egress road was to be on R2 was discussed. Mr Otterness wanted it to go between two buildings and the board was not in favor. The board agreed to work on this for a better situation.

Hermit Bjorlie commented on a flooding easement on the Herison property.

There was a discussion about SCS payments for minimum tillage and a question as to who would decide was eligible for payments. No one was sure about that program yet.

Conrad Rapp was questioning about the sewage which was spread on his and his sons farms last spring.

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He said he did not know if an analysis had been gotten before it was spread.

John Aurada said the contractor for P2 was to be Renco inc. Concrete work and seeding would probably be sub-let. This structure should be completed in 1981 depending on how long some stakes last.

a motion to pay the following bills was passed.

tele.	\$ 18.59
Wanamingo Chlor grass seed.	86.82
Sylvester Freese Labor.	69.00
Palmer Plan "	62.00

There being no further business the meeting was adj.

Yours truly
Dave Langsdorf Sec.

Joint meeting with Leon Tupp. May 19-1981

The board met with Leon Tupp board to discuss the Robertson bridge issue. The conclusion was that the dist should first find out if D.M.A would allow the road to be flooded during periods of high water.

July 6 - 1981 monthly meeting.

The meeting was brought to order by Mr. Vongness.

The Robertson bridge was again discussed. John Miller stated that the Leon Trust board had voted not to give DWA any kind of easement consideration until the watershed board agreed to pay about \$15,000.⁰⁰ plus the assessment of about \$8,100.⁰⁰. All board members felt this was too much to pay for a flooding easement. A motion was made to call for bids to install a culvert and upgrade the road. The vote was 2 yes and 1 no.

Mr. Vongness called attention to 2 meetings coming up, one at Preston on ground water on July 23 and one at Marshall July 12 + 13 for the summer tour.

Mr. Terwilliger said that FFA had requested a full audit on all assessments from the start and up to date. This audit would require a licensed Certified Public Acct. The County Auditor's office was not willing to do this so Mr. Terwilliger was contacting other CPAs in the area. FFA was also asking the board to close out the acct at the White Post Bank.

Mr. John Amador commented that plans for R5 were now complete as soon as the road solution was found and work would soon be started on plans for R9.

A new easement for ingress-egress on R2 was signed and recorded. The new easement was for west of the bridge on R9 and gave a 1.3 acre corridor to the construction site.

A motion to pay the following bills was passed.

tele	\$ 106.45
Frank Murray	316.25

There being no further business the meeting was adj.

yours truly
Dave Fangelof, Sec.

Correction. ingress-egress easement was not signed and recorded until two days following this meeting.