

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, ND
August 30, 2022

The Richland County Water Resource District ("RCWRD") met August 30, 2022, at 8:00 A.M. at the Richland County Courthouse.

THOSE PRESENT: Managers Arv Burvee, Tom Kubela, Clint Arndt, Gary Friskop, Don Moffet, Engineering Technician Justin Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer Tiffany Bladow.

THOSE ABSENT:

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mgr. Kubela and seconded by Mgr. Moffet and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

Minutes

The August 16, 2022, minutes were presented. A motion was made by Mgr. Kubela and seconded by Mgr. Arndt to approve the August 16, 2022; minutes as presented. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

David Berg from Bremer joined the meeting

David went over the different options that are available for investing through Bremer.

Mgr. Arndt moved and Mgr. Kubela seconded the motion, to invest \$3,000,000 with Bremer according to North Dakota Century Code, and to allow Secretary Tiffany Bladow to do the signing of the documents and paperwork on the account.

Applications

Dr. #66A Application #22-078 Site #611 NE 1/4 Sec. 10 Brandenburg Twp

Application to remove debris from the inlet end of the culvert. Mgr. Friskop moved and Mgr. Kubela seconded the motion, to approve Appl. #22-078 and hire JBX, Inc to remove debris from the culvert.

Application #22-079

Application submitted by Tom Brosowski as a complaint on Russ Mauch for a dam that was built across a natural. The Boards decision is to call both Tom and Russ and have them come in for the next board meeting.

Application #22-080 NE 1/4 Sec. 16 Mooreton Twp

Application submitted by Dave Link to clean out willows on the south branch of Antelope Creek. Mgr. Arndt moved and Mgr. Friskop seconded the motion, to deny Appl. #22-080 as it's the landowners responsibility.

Application to Install a Subsurface Water Management System #22-081 for Stephen Anderson/Keith Anderson in the S1/2 NE1/4, NW1/4 NE1/4, S1/2 NW1/4, N1/2 NW1/4 Section 27, Walcott West Township

The Board reviewed *Application to Install a Subsurface Water Management System #22-081*. Under the application, Stephen Anderson seeks to install a 168-acre drain tile system in the S1/2 NE1/4, NW1/4 NE1/4, S1/2 NW1/4, N1/2 NW1/4 Section 27, Walcott West Township. The project will include a gravity outlet located on the north boundary of the Northwest Quarter. The Board reviewed the application, design plan, water flow map, and all accompanying data submitted as part of the application.

Mgr. Arndt moved, and Mgr. Kubela seconded the motion, to approve Appl #22-081 and to authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to sign SUBSURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PERMIT #22-081, subject to the following conditions:

- that Applicant install and maintain proper erosion protection at all outlets;
- that Applicant re-establish all disturbed areas to previous conditions, including re-seeding;
- that Applicant will not install Applicant's tile system within 20 feet, on either side of any rural water lines under any blanket easements, or otherwise beyond any existing easements the Rural Water District has for Applicant's property being tiled;
- that Applicant must turn off any pump outlets and control structures during "critical flood periods," as determined by the Richland County Water Resource District;
- that Applicant must apply for an amendment to this SUBSURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PERMIT in advance of any proposed alterations to outlet locations, the addition of any outlets, or improvements or modifications to the tile system that could increase the capacity or drainage area of the tile system;
- that Applicant remove silt or vegetation, or repair erosion or scour damages **directly** caused by Applicant's tile system, but only up to one mile downstream from a project outlet, unless the distance to the nearest assessment drain, natural watercourse, slough, or lake is less than one mile downstream of the proposed outlet, in which case the Applicant remove silt or vegetation, or repair erosion or scour damage only between the outlet and the discharge into the nearest assessment drain, natural watercourse, slough, or lake.

With regard to this condition, Applicant's obligations to remove silt or vegetation, or repair erosion or scour damages, will only arise upon submission of substantial evidence to the Board by a downstream landowner or road authority that Applicant's tile system **directly** caused accumulation of silt or vegetation, erosion, or scouring.

Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Under Section 61-32-03.1, the District cannot attach any additional conditions to Applicant's permit. However, for Applicant's protection, and to ensure protection of Applicant's tile system, the District recommends Applicant consider complying with the following .

- that Applicant obtain easements from the owners of any property not owned by the Applicant but on which the Applicant will install, construct, and maintain Applicant's tile system;
- that Applicant obtain a pipeline easement from the owners of property not owned by the Applicant but on which the Applicant will install, construct, and maintain a buried pipeline;
- that Applicant obtain written permission from all applicable road authorities to discharge into, or otherwise utilize, any township, county, or state road ditches; to install, operate, and maintain buried pipe in any township, county, or state road ditches; or to bore or cut through any township, county, or state roads and road ditches; and

☒ that Applicant obtain all other necessary and requisite licenses, permits, registrations, and/or approvals from all applicable federal, state, county, and municipal governments, and any other applicable governmental entities.

Drain Tile Notification Appl #22-082 was reviewed at this time. No action was required by the RCWRB as the project involves less than 80 acres of drain tile. No disclosure of information is allowed per NDCC § 61-32-03.1.

Technician Report

Snagging & Clearing

Justin will contact contractors for their interest in fall repair work and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Dr. #95 Application #22-022 Site 550

Justin reported he spoke with the Applicant Mike Hoffert and explained Mike will provide the material for the culvert extensions.

Dr. #5(37) Site 263

Culverts won't be here until October 7th; we no longer get free freight from TrueNorth Steel if the materials are delivered directly to our job site.

Dr. #66A

Houston is planning to finish the survey by the end of September. Justin will contact Houston for elevations of the culverts that outlet into Antelope creek.

Miscellaneous

Dr.#65 Application #22-031 Site 549 NE1/4 Sec. 2 Waldo Twp.

Erosion repair work will be done once harvest is complete

Dr. #65 SE1/4 Sec. 24 & 26 Brandenburg Twp.

Justin will fly the area with the drone to get pictures of the damage.

Dr.#65 Application #19-033 Site 415 SE1/4 Sec. 26 Waldo Twp.

Justin to look up Interstate Engineering recommendations & costs of various repairs.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chr. Burvee adjourned the meeting at 10:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Bladow

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Secretary/Treasurer

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Chairman of the Board