

**WILD RICE WATERSHED DISTRICT
11 5TH AVEUNE EAST
ADA MN 56510**

REGULAR MEETING
August 8, 2007

APPROVED

1. The regular meeting of the Wild Rice Watershed District Board of Managers was held on Wednesday, August 8, 2007, at the office of the District located at 11 Fifth Avenue East, Ada, MN. The following members were in attendance: Jim Wagner, Sr., Joe Spaeth, Mike Christensen, Dave Vipond, Warren Seykora, Diane Ista and Bob Wright. Absent: none. In addition the following persons were in attendance: Administrator Dalen, Secretary Johnson, Attorney Hanson, Publicist Halle, and Audio Recorder Royal Knutson. In addition the following members of the public attended the meeting: Mark Harless, Brian Borgen, Steve Jacobson, Brian Dwight, and Ronnie Guttormson.
2. Chairman Seykora called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.
3. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wright to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion on the following items: Leasing to private individuals land purchased through FEMA, Bill Zurn permit, Ron Thorsrud request for assistance on Moccasin Creek and Personnel Committee direction on staffing hours. Carried. Manager Christensen reported that until the N.C. SWCD obtains return of permit fee from the DNR, there is no action on the Thorsrud request; Bill Zurn permit requires additional information from the applicant.
4. Open Microphone. Mark Harless discussed the recent Project Team Meeting in which he felt that the District did not champion landowners cause as they could have.

Steve Jacobson discussed the following resolution presented to the District from the Norman County Board of Commissioners: "Be it resolved that the Norman County Board of Commissioners do encourage the Wild Rice Watershed Management Board to pursue all on stream sites of the South Branch of the Wild Rice River." s/s Steve Jacobson, Norman County Board Chairman.

Brian Dwight discussed the Project Team meeting and brought the agency perspective to the table. Administrator Dalen stated that the result of the Project Team meeting was that agencies want to continue to work with the District on Sites 1-4 on Project #42 and do not want to spend time at the meetings discussing Sites 5-8. A motion was made by Manager Ista for the District to continue the process on Sites 1-8 and any other potential sites above Ulen; however Sites 5-8 will not be brought to the Project Team at this time. Manager Wright seconded the motion. Carried.

A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing the legislative committee, which consists of Managers Vipond, Wright and Seykora, to meet with Legislators Eken, Lanning, Langseth and Skoe as soon as possible to update them on the status of

Project #42 and the District Flood Damage Reduction progress; with Managers requesting legislators to meet with the full board at their earliest convenience. Carried with Manager Ista opposed.

PERMIT APPLICATIONS

5. Bob Brandt, Jr., Section 13, McDonaldsville Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-1 of Bob Brandt, Jr. to install a culvert with a flap gate where there is currently an open ditch in Section 13 of McDonaldsville Township. Carried.
6. Perry Ellingson, Sections 27/34 of Lee Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-2 of Perry Ellingson to install traps on five culverts in Sections 27/34 of Lee Township on the east side of Norman County Ditch #5 with the condition that the landowner (Houglum) approves the pipe in the Northwest Quarter of Section 27. Carried.
7. Keith Geray, Section 25, Marsh Creek Township, Mahnomen County. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-3 of Keith Geray to lower a 42" culvert 12 inches in Section 25, Marsh Creek Township. Carried.
8. Keith Geray, Section 25, Marsh Creek Township, Mahnomen County. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-4 of Keith Geray to lower a 24" culvert 12 inches in Section 25 of Marsh Creek Township. Carried.
9. Del Schnabel, Sections 12/13, Hendrum Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-5 of Del Schnabel to construct a ring dike around his yard south of the existing ring dike, also raise his existing ring dike approximately 2.0 feet, and replace his existing flap gate with a screw gate in Sections 12/13 of Hendrum Township with the following condition: The dike elevations will be no more than 2.5 feet above the existing ring dike and the culvert on the new section of the dike will be an 18" or smaller. Carried.
10. Vig Farms, Section 19, Heier Township, Mahnomen County. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-6 of Vig Farms to construct a number of water and sediment basins for the purpose of erosion control, the projects being designed by the NRCS, in Section 19 of Heier Township. Carried.
11. Vig Farms, Section 24, Gregory Township, Mahnomen County. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-7 of Vig Farms to construct a number of water and sediment basins for the purpose of erosion control, the projects being designed by the NRCS, in Section 24 of Gregory Township. Carried.
12. Twin Valley Ulen Telephone Company, Section 16, Wild Rice Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-8 of the Twin Valley Ulen Telephone Company to reinstall a communications cable under Mashaug Creek in Section 16 of Wild Rice Township with the condition that the cable is installed a minimum of 30" below the channel bottom. Carried.
13. Jim Skaurud, Section 29, Fossum Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-9 of Jim Skaurud to install a culvert and crossing in Section 29 of Fossum Township. Carried.

14. John Brandt, Section 32, Rockwell Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-10 of John Brandt to install a culvert and approach in Section 32 of Rockwell Township with the following conditions: the pipes must be a minimum of 4 feet and 6 feet (equal in size to upstream), the applicant has township approval and that Watershed District staff stakes the culverts for installation depth prior to the installation. Carried.

15. Lynn Johnson and Doug Nelson, Section 28, Pleasant View Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit Application #8-8-07-11 of Lynn Johnson and Doug Nelson to install drain tile outlets to Norman County Ditch #25 in Section 28 of Pleasant View Township with the condition that the applicants protect the outlets from erosion and obtain approval from the NRCS. Carried.

16. Roy Christianson, Section 34, Halstad Township. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Vipond to deny Permit Application #8-8-07-12 of Roy Christianson to replace a 15" CMP and an 18" CMP with a 30" CMP in Section 34 of Halstad Township, due to possible downstream impacts. Carried.

17. Joseph Kuechle, Section 13, Wild Rice Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright to table Permit Application #8-8-07-13 of Joseph Kuechle to clean and backslope a DNR protected waterway in Section 13 of Wild Rice Township, and request plans showing the existing and proposed gradeline and transition to the existing downstream channel. Carried.

18. Dale Pazdernik, Section 23, Pembina Township, Mahnomen County. A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Spaeth to return Permit Application #8-8-07-14, of Dale Pazdernik to remove a restrictor plate from a 48" CMP, replace a 24" CMP with a 48" CMP, and remove a field approach and a 48" CMP, in Section 23 of Pembina Township, to the applicant. A letter will indicate the Board would consider the application when it is signed by the Railroad, Pembina Township and the landowners in the North ½ of Section 23 and the North ½ of Section 22. Carried.

19. Board Representation on Permit Review. Consensus of Managers was to replace former Managers Skaurud with Manager Christensen on the Permit Review Committee. Carried.

20. Red River Basin Commission (RRBC). Jennifer Steward met with Managers at 11:00 a.m. and gave a presentation and update on the Red River Basin Commission, the vision and mission of the RRBC, the Natural Resources Framework Plan Executive Summary and Water Quality Update. Stewart noted that the Annual Conference, "The Power of A Dream," is scheduled for January 9-11, 2008, at Grand Forks, North Dakota.

21. White Earth Tribal Council Meeting. Administrator Dalen reported that a meeting with the White Earth Tribal Council is scheduled for September 5, 2007. Administrator Dalen, Engineer Bents and a board representative from Mahnomen County, Spaeth or Vipond will be attending the meeting.

22. Upper Felton Alternative Site. Manager Wright is not taking part in any of this discussion or voting. Engineer Bents reported that received a draft report from American Engineering, Inc. on the soil boring of the Chuck Larson site in Sections 11 and 12 of Flowing Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing Engineer Bents to prepare a preliminary cost estimate and dike configuration on the site and bring back to the board. Carried. Manager Wright did not vote. A motion was made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Vipond authorizing Engineer Bents and Administrator Dalen to meet with staff of American Engineering to discuss the Old Felton sites. Carried. Manager Wright did not vote.
23. Farmstead Ring Dikes. Administrator Dalen reviewed the funding status and the prioritization on the current ring dike program. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing Engineer Bents to prepare plans and specifications, advertise and award the contracts if the bids come in within 10 percent of the estimate on the following nine ring dike applicants: Christianson, Gilbertson, Loe, Arthurs/Olson, Arends, Myers, Koste, Grothe and Pallum. Carried. Administrator Dalen reported that a landowner requested that he be considered to pay only ½ of his cost share prior to September 1, 2007, and the balance on completion of the dike. Consensus of Managers was to remain consistent with the normal policy and request the full amount of the 12.5 percent cost share by September 1, prior to the awarding of the contracts.
24. Mahnomen County Drainage. Administrator Dalen reported that a meeting will be held on August 14, 2007, with the Mahnomen County Commissioners to discuss an option and funding for the Mahnomen County Drainage Project. Staff will report back to the Managers at the September meeting. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing staff to contact Fliceks to execute an option for an easement for permission for the alignment of the drainage project, to be negotiated by Administrator Dalen. Carried.
25. Public Data Request. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing Attorney Hanson to investigate a public data request and provide a recommendation to staff. Carried.
26. Chairman Seykora recessed the meeting at 11:30 a.m. for lunch at Wagner's gardens.
27. The meeting was reconvened at 1:15 p.m.
28. 2006 Audit Report. Kim Durbin of Drees, Risky and Valleger met with Managers at 1:15 p.m. and presented the 2006 Audit Report. Consensus of Managers was to table action on the report until the September meeting.
33. Financial Report. Doug Marcussen presented the financial report. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve the financial report dated July 31, 2007. Carried.
29. Approval of Billings. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Pay Request #3 to Gordon Construction in the amount of \$2,967.75 for the Harry Haskins ring dike. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wright to approve the billings as presented for August 8, 2007, along with the Managers per diems and expenses. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wright to approve the addition of \$30,539.33 payment to the RRWMB. Carried.

30. Annual Budget Hearing. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright to schedule the annual budget hearing for 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday September 12, 2007, during the regular Board meeting. Carried.

31. Gene Ueland Violation Section 25 of Shelly Township and Sections 29-30 of Good Hope Township. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wright to close the meeting for the purpose of discussing pending litigation and to discuss strategy for the Ueland violation. Carried. The meeting was closed.

32. Chairman Seykora opened the meeting.

33. Pederson Brothers Violation, Section 7 and 8, Gregory Township, Mahnomen County. Administrator Dalen reported that although Neal Pederson stated they resolved the violation, Scott Kahn, USFW, indicated it is not set to grade/and/or the elevation established in the original permit granted by the District. Consensus of Managers was for Dalen to contact Pederson and inform him that the District will be resetting the pipe in two weeks and the costs will be the responsibility of Pedersons.

34. Warren Lee Complaint, Section 3, Mary Township. Administrator Dalen reported that he received a call from Dan Lakeman's insurance carrier regarding the complaint filed by Warren Lee for crop damages alleged to be as a result of a damaged culvert from Lakeman's 2006 mowing season. Attorney Hanson indicated that he contacted both the District's carrier and Lakeman's carrier.

35. Eugene Vik Violation, Section 35, Hegne Township. Administrator Dalen stated that Kurpius and Ambuehl agreed to table their complaint against Eugene Vik for work in Section 35, Hegne Township at the present time. Attorney Hanson suggested that Dalen contact both parties and have them officially withdraw the complaint.

36. No action was taken regarding the Operating Plans for Control Structures. Administrator Dalen stated that it would not be cost effective at this time to spend funds on this until the City of Ada's Section 205 Study is farther along in the process.

37. Manager Wagner questioned Chairman Seykora regarding the Lakeman billing invoice on the tree cutting on the Wild Rice River and asked Seykora if he had checked on actual work. Consensus was that staff would check into this.

38. Project #31, Heitman Coulee/Lower Wild Rice River. Administrator Dalen stated that a meeting will be held with landowners within the area of flooding including Bruce Tufte and Roger Kurpius after small grain harvest to discuss a possible solution.

39. Guideline for Establishing Landowner Property Payments. Manager Wright did not take any part in the discussion or voting. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner to establish a guideline of 20% above the appraised value to the land for payment to property owners, when acquiring land by the District. Carried.

40. Lease Agreements for Acquisition Properties. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing Attorney Hanson to investigate the legal requirements of possible multiple year lease agreements for FEMA acquired acquisition properties. Carried.

41. Public Outreach. Tim Halle suggested upcoming news articles to include the district's guidelines for the purchase of property when acquiring land, the status of the ring dike program, an update on Project #42 and later on WMD. Halle stated that with the audit complete the 2006 Annual Report will be finished soon.

42. Reconvened Meeting to Include WMD. A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Wagner to reconvene the meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday August 29, 2007, at the office of the District. Discussion will include an update on a Water Management District (WMD). Carried.

43. Home Lake Township Structure Modifications. Manager Christensen reported that at the recent Norman County Board meeting, the SWCD agreed to be responsible for the maintenance of the project, and upon obtaining signatures for the document will be submitted to the DNR.

44. Project #30, Green Meadow Dam. Engineer Bents reported that the project is officially complete and the District has the authority to require liquidated damages from the contractor as a result of the lateness of completion of the project. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth authorizing the full amount of the Final Pay Request to Geray Construction in the amount of \$20,613.15 for the Green Meadow Dam Construction Project. Payment will be held until all subcontractors who completed work on the project submit an IC134 form. Carried with Manager Seykora objecting.

45. City of Hendrum FIS. Engineer Bents distributed correspondence regarding the City of Hendrum's request for the review of the 100-year flood elevation. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing staff to forward the correspondence to the City of Hendrum. Carried.

46. Acquisition 2006 FEMA Grant Application. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing a resolution for execution of a sub grant agreement with FEMA Disaster Declaration FEMA-1648-DR-MN. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond authorizing a letter of commitment for expenditure of funds for FEMA-1648-DR-MN. Carried.

47. Wild Rice Watershed District (WRWD) Cost Share Program. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond authorizing a 12.5% cost share payment in the amount of \$605 to the Becker County SWCD to be used for the Erosion and Sediment Control Basin in the NW1/4 Section 15 of White Earth Township. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing a 12.5% cost share payment in the amount of \$6,250 to the Norman County SWCD to be used for the Jim Skaurud wildlife dam in Section 29 of Fossum Township. Carried.

48. Ditch Maintenance Update. Kari Kujava presented spreadsheets indicating a process that the District office has begun working with in an effort for staff to be better informed and organized with ditch system maintenance. Consensus of Managers was to continue to refine the process throughout the year on into 2008 maintenance, mowing and spraying.

49. Project Team Meeting. A Project Team Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 22, 2007.

50. Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve the June 13, 2007, Regular Meeting Minutes as distributed. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wright to approve the June 21, 2007, Special Meeting Minutes as distributed. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve the July 11, 2007, Regular Meeting Minutes with the change of Manager Bob to Manager Wright in Paragraph #38. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wright to approve the July 20, 2007, Special Meeting Minutes as distributed. Carried.

51. Personnel Committee Recommendation. Personnel Committee Member, Manager Vipond asked for discussion with the Board regarding the current part time staff position and how they wanted to continue with this position. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond authorizing the part time position be changed to a full time position. Carried.

52. RRWMB Report. Manager Wright gave a Red River Watershed Management Board report which included notice that a 100% levy was authorized at the July meeting.

53. Citizens Advisory Committee/Project Team Appointments. Administrator Dalen suggested that in providing assistance to Managers in the appointment process, they ask the following three questions of prospective appointees: Do you think the WRWD has a flooding problem? Do you believe in a District wide approach for a solution? Do you believe the local funding share should be District wide? Dalen indicated that he would go through this process, provide a list of possible members and get back to the full board for them to make a call in September. Dalen also indicated that he would contact Mark Harless to discuss his possible appointment to the Project Team.

54. Taping of Meetings. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond authorizing hiring Royal Knutson to tape the meetings for the reconvened meeting on August 29 and the September 12, Regular Meeting. Carried. Staff will bring an estimate for taping equipment purchase to Managers.

55. Chairman Seykora recessed the meeting at 4:45 p.m. to be reconvened at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday August 29, 2007.

Name	Num	Date	Amount
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Alltel	10704	08/01/2007	209.44
AmeriPride	10716	08/08/2007	42.41
ARC Lanes	10717	08/08/2007	51.59
Brushwacker Inc.	10718	08/08/2007	7,165.16
Cardmember Service	10697	08/02/2007	1,384.99
City of Ada	10719	08/08/2007	275.61
David Vipond	10720	08/08/2007	138.53
David Vipond	10752	08/08/2007	50.44
Diane Ista	10721	08/08/2007	294.44
DL Construction	10714	08/08/2007	17,693.25
E.C. Anderson Gravel Inc.	10722	08/08/2007	241.79
G R Graphics-Maintenance	10705	08/01/2007	258.21
Geray Dozing		08/08/2007	20,613.15
Gordon Construction	10723	08/08/2007	5,057.75
Houston Engineering, Inc.	10724	08/08/2007	18,838.36
HSBC Business Solutions	10706	08/01/2007	1.86
Index Printing Inc.	10725	08/08/2007	76.90
James B Hanson	10726	08/08/2007	275.00
James Wagner Sr-Mgr	10727	08/08/2007	264.13
James Wagner Sr-Mgr	10753	08/08/2007	17.02
James Wagner, Sr.	10728	08/08/2007	1,201.64
Joe Spaeth	10729	08/08/2007	324.75
Joe Spaeth	10754	08/08/2007	146.52
Loretel Systems	10730	08/08/2007	367.42
Mahnomen Soil & Water Cons. District	10731	08/08/2007	455.82
Marcussen Accounting	10732	08/08/2007	583.41
Mike Christensen	10733	08/08/2007	246.81
Mike Christensen	10755	08/08/2007	97.00
Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation	10734	08/08/2007	100.00
Norman County Auditor/Treasurer	10735	08/08/2007	10.65
Norman County SWCD	10736	08/08/2007	1,800.00
North Star Water	10737	08/08/2007	72.00
Office Supplies Plus	10738	08/08/2007	551.38
Ralph's Food Pride	10739	08/08/2007	124.25
Red River Watershed Management Board	10740	08/08/2007	30,539.53
Rena Kappes	10741	08/08/2007	100.00
Riceville Township	10742	08/08/2007	204.75
Robert E. Wright	10743	08/08/2007	212.17
Robert E. Wright	10756	08/08/2007	90.56
Rodney Erickson	10744	08/08/2007	150.00
Sun-Flowers	10745	08/08/2007	42.60
Tim Halle	10746	08/08/2007	956.00
Wambach & Hanson	10747	08/08/2007	2,360.64
Warren J. Seykora	10748	08/08/2007	1,234.05
Warren J. Seykora	10757	08/08/2007	1,535.55
Ziegler Construction	10749	08/08/2007	1,115.24
			117,572.77

1. The regular meeting of the Wild Rice Watershed District Board of Managers was reconvened at 9:10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 29, 2007, at the District office located at 11 Fifth Avenue East, Ada, MN.
2. The following members were in attendance: Jim Wagner, Bob Wright, Warren Seykora, Mike Christensen, Diane Ista and Joe Spaeth. The following members were absent: Dave Vipond. In addition the following persons were in attendance: Administrator Dalen, Engineer Bents, Attorney Hanson, Secretary Johnson, Audiographer Royal Knutson, Publicist Halle and Brian Borgen.
3. The agenda was approved with additions of update on Upper Felton, request to send the minutes that includes the motion for proceeding with the South Branch to interested landowners in the Ulen area, Ada Section 205 Feasibility Study and PERA campaign financial disclosure.
4. Upper Reaches/Water Management District (WMD). Engineer Bents distributed a draft copy dated August 28, 2007, of the District Wide Scope, Wild Rice Comprehensive Flood and Stormwater Utility Water Management District Utility Charge Ordinance. The WMD Utility Charge Ordinance was reviewed by Bents and discussed by Managers. Engineer Bents also distributed a copy of approximately the 35 most asked questions regarding the Wild Rice Watershed Water Management District (WRWWMD) for review. Manager Spaeth stated that he felt that the Board should go to County Commissioners with a draft version of the utility charges for various city and farm lots. Spaeth stated that the Board would have a better idea of how the WRWWMD would be accepted following a meeting with County Commissioners. Consensus of Managers was for Administrator Dalen to schedule a meeting time with the Board and County Commissioners from each of the counties within the Watershed District.
5. Gene Ueland Violation, Section 25 of Shelly Township and Sections 29-30 of Good Hope Township. Attorney Hanson reviewed the terms of the settlement agreement as previously discussed by the Board. Hanson stated that one of the terms of the settlement is the approval of the permit application as submitted by Ueland. Administrator Dalen felt that the Board should discuss the issue of where the costs of the violation are to be charged, to the J.D. #53 Main Ditch System or spread over the entire District as requested by Ueland as a part of the settlement agreement. Chairman Seykora asked if the Managers could live with the settlement agreement as explained by Attorney Hanson. Manager Ista asked Engineer Bents if he was satisfied with the permit application. Attorney Hanson stated that if the terms are acceptable, authorization would be given to sign the agreement, which is contingent on the Board approving the permit. Engineer Bents stated that he would recommend that notification be sent to downstream landowners prior to approval of the permit. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve the Settlement Agreement with Gene Ueland, authorizing Chairman Seykora to execute the final document. The final draft of the settlement agreement is being prepared by Attorney Hanson as there are a few minor changes in the draft per the meeting with the board. Carried.

PERMIT APPLICATIONS

6. Gene Ueland, Sections 25/30 Shelly/Good Hope. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Christensen to table the permit application of Gene Ueland to backslope in Section 25 of Shelly and Section 30 of Good Hope Township, pending notification of downstream landowners and review by engineering. Carried.

7. Burton Rockstad, Section 3 Hegne Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-1 of Burton Rockstad to install an approach and a 24" CMP in Section 3 of Hegne Township. Carried.
8. Loren Eken, Section 30 Wild Rice Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-2 of Loren Eken to extend a 12" and a 24" pipe to widen an approach and driveway in Section 30 of Wild Rice Township. Carried.
9. Cary Sip, Section 28, Green Meadow Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-3 of Cary Sip to replace an 18" pipe with a 24" pipe in a field approach in Section 28 of Green Meadow Township, with the condition that the pipe must be an 18" CMP. Carried.
10. Cary Sip, Section 28, Green Meadow Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-4 of Cary Sip to install a field approach and a 24" culvert in Section 28 of Green Meadow Township. Carried.
11. Paul Borgen, Section 6, Mary Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-6 of Paul Borgen to move an existing approach and 24" culvert east for field access in Section 6 of Mary Township with the condition that the culvert is placed at the same elevation. Carried.
12. Mike Myers, Section 19, Mary Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-7 of Mike Myers to replace flap gates with screw gates on two 18" CMPs through a ring dike levee in Section 19 of Mary Township. Carried.
13. Circle C Seeds, Inc., Section 13, Strand Township. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-8 of Circle C Seeds to install a tile drainage system in the Northeast Quarter of Section 13 of Strand Township with the condition that the landowner in the Southeast Quarter of Section 13 of Strand Township sign the permit and also with the recommendation that applicant contact the NRCS for review of the project. Carried.
14. Keith Geray, Section 25, Marsh Creek Township, Mahnomen County. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve Permit Application #8-29-07-9 of Keith Geray to replace a 42" and 24" pipe with a 48" pipe in Section 25 of Marsh Creek Township, Mahnomen County with the condition that a 48" culvert be installed to replace the existing 24" and 42" culverts. The 48" culvert should be installed no lower in elevation than 12" below the invert elevation of the existing 42" pipe at this location. Carried.
15. Norman County Highway Department, Section 13, Green Meadow Township. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wright to table Permit Application #8-29-07-5 of the Norman County Highway Department to install a 24" culvert in an existing field approach (dry block) in Section 13 of Green Meadow Township. Landowners in the Southwest Quarter of Section 13 and the South Half of Section 14 of Green Meadow Township will be notified. Carried.
16. Project #31, Heitman Coulee. Administrator Dalen reported on recent meetings with landowners on the outlet of Project #31, who are cooperating with the District in an effort to gain some relief to the flooding. An appraisal of property will be completed by September.

17. Farmstead Ring Dikes. Administrator Dalen updated the Board on the current status of ring dike funding. It was reported that bid opening is scheduled for September 7, for construction of nine ring dikes.
18. City of Mahanomen/County Drainage Project. Administrator Dalen reported on a meeting held on August 14, 2007, with city and county of Mahanomen officials regarding the drainage project. At that time the county board approved moving forward with the project. Ron Ringquist, Minnesota State Drainage Inspectors, will be contacted to provide an unbiased opinion on whom/what entity will be assessed and determining the shares for the project.
19. Ada Section 205 Study. Administrator Dalen stated that he had conversations with Mayor Ellefson and the City of Ada is holding a meeting today to discuss possible new alignments for the levee.
20. Upper Felton. Engineer Bents reported that he is currently working with American Engineering, Inc. regarding the proposed Larson property Upper Felton Project. An estimated construction cost and levee alignment will be provided at the September meeting.
21. Project #42. Manager Ista requested that the following motion approved at the August 8, 2007, regular meeting, be sent to all interested property owners in the upper Ulen area of the project: "A motion was made by Manager Ista for the District to continue the process on Sites 1-8 and any other potential sites above Ulen; however Sites 5-8 will not be brought to the Project Team at this time. Manager Wright seconded the motion. Carried."
22. Audio Recording. Manager Ista stated that the Concerned Citizens requested that the District record the Project Team meetings.
23. Ditch System Maintenance. Manager Ista stated that Chuck Borgen requested his name be included in the Ditch Committee for Norman County Ditch #1. Manager Wagner questioned what authority the District has in maintaining the ditch systems. Attorney Hanson stated that the District has an obligation to maintain the taxpayers' ditches. Wagner stated he would recommend that beginning next year every ditch system in the District be inspected and determined what needs to be mowed or sprayed.
24. There being no further business to come before the Board of Managers, a motion was made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Wright to adjourn the meeting. Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.