REGULAR MEETING
July 11, 2007
APPROVED

1. The regular meeting of the Wild Rice Watershed District Board of Managers was held on Wednesday, July 11, 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: Ron Thorsrud, Brian Borgen, Bruce Tufte, Lawrence Pollock, Mark Harless, Wayne Lee, Sam Larson, Steve Jacobson, Wayne Lee, Gordy Gudvangen and Dwight Fevig.

2. Chairman Seykora called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

3. A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve the agenda with additions. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wagner to add taping of meetings to the agenda. Carried.

4. Chairman Seykora noted that the meeting is being recorded by the Concerned Citizens.

5. Board Meeting Efficiency. Administrator Dalen distributed a handout regarding ways to make the meetings shorter and more efficient. Dalen made it clear that he did not want to trade time for quality of meetings and information. Manager Wright asked if copies of the permits could be sent along with meeting notice. Manager Vipond also talked about getting minutes to Managers quicker, preferably by the Friday after the meeting.

6. Open Microphone. Administrator Dalen stated that the District will begin using a fifteen minute open mike forum at the beginning of board meetings for taxpayers/constituents to have the opportunity to bring concerns and ideas forward. County Commissioner Steve Jacobson talked about a call he received regarding maintenance issues on Project #1, Norman County Ditch 1. Jacobson also discussed Home Lake issues and stated that Norman County Commissioners supported the project but were concerned about the maintenance issues. Bruce Tufte read a letter requesting compensation for damages on cropland alleging the cause to be non maintenance on J.D. #51. Attorney Hanson stated that the property owners alleging the damages would need to file a complaint against the district in which the district would reply and it would most likely go to litigation.
7. **Project #42.** Comments were heard regarding Project #42. Manager Ista stated that she would like the District to choose a project from what has been brought forward, use it as a pilot project and move ahead with at least one small project. Administrator Dalen stated that the Project Team will be providing their evaluations on the eight onstream sites that were reviewed on July 25, 2007, at the next Project Team meeting. Steve Jacobson felt that it would be nice if that were a public meeting; Dalen replied that Project Team meetings are public. Lawrence Pollock asked if the board is looking at smaller sites and should he be bringing more information to the office on additional sites. Pollock also asked how hard the board is going to fight to get these on stream sites. Steve Jacobson stated that a project without mitigation is not going to happen. Lawrence stated that if the mitigation requirements for sites are too great, it will be hard to get these sites for storage. He stated that this issue needs to be addressed and it will depend on how hard we want to fight the agencies to avoid mitigation.

8. **Mahnomen County Drainage.** Administrator Dalen stated that in discussion with the City of Mahnomen and Mahnomen County, they indicated that they needed to gather additional information before meeting with the Board.

9. **Project #31 – Heitman Coulee.** Bruce Tufte and Dwight Heitman met with Managers regarding working on a solution for the recurring flooding on the outlet of Project #31. A motion was made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing Engineer Bents to prepare an estimate to provide to the Managers at the next meeting on the cost of surveying J.D. #51 and the Marsh River and authorizing staff to meet with landowners on the Heitman Coulee to begin working on a solution to the flooding in that area. Carried.

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

10. Discussion was held on ways to save time when reviewing permits. Consensus of Managers was to package permit applications that are recommended by staff for approval without additional review and act individually on those that need further discussion.

11. **Jerry Bitker, Section 19, Anthony Township.** A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Wagner to deny Permit Application #7-11-07-12 of Jerry Bitker to install a 32” CMP through the levee adjacent to the drop structure on Project #18, in Section 19, of Anthony Township. The work requested will be completed either as a repair or improvement proceeding. Carried.

12. **Agassiz Recreational Trail, Section 10, Home Lake Township.** A motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Ista to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-1 of the Agassiz Recreational Trail to relocate the existing 30” culverts and lower them to the elevation of the adjacent downstream MNDOT pipes and remove a 36” CMP located 150 feet south of the MNDOT pipe with the condition that three 30” pipes be installed at an elevation equal to the MNDOT culvert and the south 36” culvert is not removed due to adjacent landowner concerns. All work is conditional on WCA approval from the Norman County SWCD. Carried.

13. **USFWS, General Permit.** A motion was made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Wright to deny Permit Application #7-11-07-2 of the USFWS for a general permit for wetland restoration. Each application will be deemed on a case by case basis. Carried.
14. **Lake Grove Township, Section 32, Lake Grove Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-3 of Lake Grove Township to install a 30" culvert under a township road on Ditch #3 next to a 54" culvert in Section 32 of Lake Grove Township with the recommendation that the applicant obtain County approval. Carried.

15. **Leon Johnson, Sections 23/24 of Pleasant View Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-4 of Leon Johnson to clean an existing ditch and slope the south side of the ditch with the condition that the soil be placed on the south side of the ditch and is spread into the field without a berm construction. Carried.

16. **Charles Balstad, Section 3 Gregory Township.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Spaeth to table Permit Application #7-11-07-5 of Charles Balstad to lower a 10 foot pipe in Ditch #91A in Section 3 of Gregory Township and request a review by Mahnomen County to determine if the work is considered a repair (under 103E). Carried.

17. **Menholt Farms, Richard Menholt, Section 23, Felton Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-6 of Menholt Farms to lower a 24" CMP to grade with the condition that the pipe would be limited to lowering the west invert 0.4 feet. Carried.

18. **Fred Kreps, Section 27, Viding Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-7 of Fred Kreps to install drain tile in the E1/2NW4 and the E1/2SW4 of Section 27, Viding Township. Carried.

19. **Circle C. Seeds, Inc., Section 34, Lockhart Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-8 of Circle C Seeds, Inc. to install drain tile in the North ½ of Section 34 of Lockhart Township. Carried.

20. **Dale Sip, Section 23, Lockhart Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-9 of Dale Sip to extend a ditch approximately 1100 feet in Section 23 of Lockhart Township with the recommendation that applicant get approval from NRCS. Carried.

21. **Carol Halvorson, Section 20, Hendrum Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-10 of Carol Halvorson to extend a 30" CMP approximately ten feet, add aprons and widen driveway in Section 20, Hendrum Township. Carried.

22. **Roy Christianson, Section 34, Halstad Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-11 of Roy Christianson to replace a 15" CMP and an 18" CMP with a 30" CMP in Section 34 of Halstad Township with the condition that the replacement pipe be 24" in diameter. Carried.

23. **John Jossund, Section 32 of Lee Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to approve Permit Application #7-11-07-12 of John Jossund to remove an existing driveway and a 15" CMP and build a new driveway with an 18" CMP approximately 50 feet north of existing driveway in Section 32 of Lee Township. Carried.
24. **Agassiz Recreational Trail, Section 16 of Wild Rice Township.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner to table Permit Application #7-11-07-14 of the Agassiz Recreational Trail to install a bridge over the Mashaug Creek and request plans showing bridge elevations and channel cross sections. Carried.

25. **Agassiz Recreational Trail, Section 27 of Ulen Township.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner to table Permit Application #7-11-07-15 of the Agassiz Recreational Trail to install a bridge over the South Branch of the Wild Rice River in Section 27 of Ulen Township and request plans showing bridge elevations and channel cross sections. Carried.

26. **Agassiz Recreational Trail, Section 21 of Wild Rice Township.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner to table Permit Application #7-11-07-16 of the Agassiz Recreational Trail to install a bridge over the Wild Rice River in Section 21 of Wild Rice Township and request plans showing bridge elevations and channel cross sections. Carried.

27. **Circle C Seeds, Inc., Section 1, Pleasant View Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to table Permit Application #7-11-07-17 of Circle C Seeds, Inc. to install drain tile in Section 1 of Pleasant View Township. Carried.

28. **Circle C Seeds, Inc., Section 2, Green Meadow Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to table Permit Application #7-11-07-18 of Circle C Seeds to install drain tile in Section 2 of Green Meadow Township. Carried.

29. **Duane Thompson, Section 34, Strand Township.** A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Vipond to table Permit Application #7-11-07-19 of Duane Thompson to install a trap on an 18" culvert in a field approach to prevent water from flowing west. Carried. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen authorizing Administrator Dalen and Manager Christensen to contact Thompson and determine if Thompson is still interested in removing his property from the Project #12 Ditch System. Carried.

30. **Operating Plans for Control Structures.** Manager Wagner discussed the concerns raised by property owners downstream of the 48" control structure located in the SW4 of Section 14 of McDonaldsville Township. Wagner stated that the O & M Plans are not really clear and landowners by the golf course and downstream of the Wild Rice River both have issues which are clearly at odds. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing staff to investigate alternatives that are fair and clear for all property owners. Carried.

31. **City of Hendrum Request.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing staff to assist Mayor Randy Bergren, City of Hendrum in determining base flood elevation for flood insurance. Carried.

32. **Home Lake Outlet.** Discussion was held regarding the maintenance issue for the Home Lake Township outlet repair. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing staff and Manager Christensen to attend the July 19, 2007, Norman County Board meeting at which time the Home Lake Outlet is scheduled for their agenda. Carried.

33. **Financial Report.** Doug Marcussen presented the financial report. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wagner to table the financial report dated June 30, 2007. Carried.
34. **Approval of Billings.** A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve the billings as presented for July 11, 2007, along with the Managers' per diems and expenses. Carried.

35. **Finance Committee Meeting.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing scheduling a Finance Committee Meeting. Carried.

36. Jayne Olson, Houston Engineering was introduced to the Managers. Olson will be assisting staff on a part time basis in the next three months.

37. **Office Reorganization.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Vipond to hire Royal Knutson to tape the next regular meeting for one month and for staff to investigate the costs and purchase of audio recording equipment. Carried.

38. **Upper Reaches WMD.** Administrator Dalen stated that there is a need for a meeting to discuss the establishment of a Water Management District (WMD) which could be a new project over the top of Upper Reaches, or over the entire watershed, or someplace in between. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing scheduling a meeting for 8:30 a.m. on Friday July 20, 2007 for the purpose of discussing a WMD. Carried.

39. **US COE WRRFS Study.** Engineer Bents reported on the meeting held with the COE on the sedimentation study report.

40. **Upper Felton Alternative Site.** Engineer Bents reported that they will be taking borings on Larson Site on Monday. The cost of the borings will be about $15,000 and would have approximately 7,000 acres of storage.

41. **Farmstead Ring Dikes.** Administrator Dalen would like to set up a committee meeting for the ring dikes, which includes Managers Wright, Ista and Wagner. The meeting will be scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday July 25, 2007.

42. **Haskins Pay Request.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner to approve a pay request to Gordon Construction in the amount of $3,762 for the Harry Haskins ring dike. Carried.

43. **Dam Inspection Reports.** Engineer Bents distributed copies of the Dam Inspection Report along with a summary of maintenance items that need to be completed. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Christensen authorizing staff to complete the necessary maintenance items. Carried.

44. **J.D. #51 Slide Repair Pay Request.** A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wright authorizing pay request to Roger Hennen in the amount of $3,230 for the J.D. #51 Slide Repair. Carried.

45. **Resolutions from Governmental Agencies.** A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing the scanning of all resolutions received from various entities into the minutes of this month. Carried.
46. **Project Team Meeting.** A motion was made by Manager Wright and seconded by Manager Spaeth to schedule the upcoming Project Team meeting for July 25, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. Carried.

47. **Meeting Minutes.** The minutes for the regular meeting dated June 13, 2007, and the special meeting dated June 21, 2007, will be distributed and acted on at the next meeting.

48. **Office Reorganization.** Administrator Dalen reported that a Personnel Committee Meeting was held and the committee and staff are in the process of job descriptions, evaluations and determining benefits packages for now and for the future. Manager Vipond stated that the committee itself will be holding a meeting prior to another meeting with staff.

49. **Heiberg Dam Dedication.** Brief reports were given on the dedication. Manager Spaeth felt it was very interesting. Manager Ista stated that both Engineer Bents and the Watershed District received awards.

50. **RRWMB Report.** Manager Wright reported that the RRWMB hired a new public relations firm out of Fargo. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 17 at the District office.

51. **MAWD Summer Tour.** Administrator Dalen reported on the MAWD Summer Tour held on June 28-30 at the Ramsey-Washington Watershed District at Maplewood, MN.

52. **Citizens Advisory Committee Appointments.** Consensus of Managers was to select six Advisory Board Members from the following list, one from each organization. County Commissioner, Soil and Water Conservation District, landowner, sportsman/conservationist, cities, tribal and Administrator Dalen. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing correspondence to be sent to all current Advisory Members thanking them for their service and noting that new members will be appointed yearly. Carried. Administrator Dalen will be providing a draft list of proposed members at the next board meeting. A motion was made by Manager Christensen and seconded by Manager Wright that appointees term will be from the current time appointed until January 1, 2009. Following appointments will be on a yearly basis each January 1. Carried.

53. **FDR Project Team Appointments.** A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Wright to keep current members of the Project Team and add Lawrence Pollock and someone from the White Earth Tribe. Carried.

54. There being no further business to come before the Board of Managers a motion was made by Manager Vipond and seconded by Manager Christensen to adjourn the meeting. Carried. Chairman Seykora adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

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TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

Fossam Township in the County of Norma of the state of Minnesota.

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the township have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the township that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Township Board of Fossam Township formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board’s formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;
2) That this Board approves a voluntary levy for attorney’s fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board’s opposition to Project 42;
3) That this Board names a citizen and member of this township as the Board’s contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this 14 day of March, 2007.

Chairman
TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

Flowing Township in the County of Clay of the state of Minnesota

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

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Dated this day of March, 2007.

Chairman
TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the township that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Township Board of Waconia Township formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board’s formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;
2) That this Board approves a voluntary levy for attorney’s fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board’s opposition to Project 42;
3) That this Board names Carmen Hall, a citizen and member of this township as the Board’s contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this 13 day of March, 2007.

Chairman

Carmen Hall

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TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the township have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the township that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Township Board of ______ Township in the County of ______ of the state of Minnesota formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board’s formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;
2) That this Board approves a voluntary levy for attorney’s fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board’s opposition to Project 42;
3) That this Board names _____, a citizen and member of this township as the Board’s contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this ______ day of March, 2007.

Chairman

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TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

Winchester Township in the County of Norman of the state of Minnesota

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the township have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the township that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Township Board of Winchester Township formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board’s formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;

2) That this Board approves a voluntary levy for attorney’s fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board’s opposition to Project 42;

3) That this Board names Brent Zappas, a citizen and member of this township as the Board’s contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2007.

Chairman

Supervisor

Supervisor

Supervisor

Clerk
TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

Rockwell Township in the County of Norman of the state of Minnesota

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the township have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the township that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Township Board of Rockwell Township formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board's formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;

2) That this Board approves a voluntary levy for attorney's fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board's opposition to Project 42;

3) That this Board names , a citizen and member of this township as the Board's contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this th day of March, 2007.

Chairman

Supervisor: Norman Dall

At our Annual Meeting we voted unanimously that we oppose Project 42!
City of Borup Resolution

WHEREAS, The Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the city have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the City, Township, and County the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the City, Township, and County;

WHEREAS, this board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this board believes that it is in the best interest of the City that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned City Council of The City of Borup, formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1). That the Mayor of the City of Borup is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board's formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;

2). That this Council approves a voluntary levy for attorney's fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board's opposition to Project 42;

3). That this Council names Randy Pallum, a Citizen and Mayor of this City as the Board's contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this 6th day of March, 2007.
TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

Township in the County of Norwalk of the state of 4-11-07

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River:

WHEREAS, interested members of the township have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County:

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the township that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Township Board of

Chairman:

formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board's formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;
2) That this Board approves a voluntary levy for attorney's fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board's opposition to Project 42;
3) That this Board names, a citizen and member of this township as the Board's contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this 13 day of March, 2007.

Chairman
RESOLUTION

Upon a motion made by Klemetson, seconded by Maesse and carried the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ULEN, MINNESOTA THAT:

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control Project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the city have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the city, township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the city, township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the city that alternatives to Project 42 be explored;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Council of the City of Ulen formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Mayor is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Council's formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;

2) That this Council names Ulen City Hall as a contact in relation to this matter.

Adopted by the City Council on April 9, 2007.

[Signature]
Mayor

ATTEST: Sandy Brashler
Clerk-Treasurer

SEAL
TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Branch Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the township have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, or may exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is in the best interest of the township that alternatives to Project 42 be explored:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Township Board of Township formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions to be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board's formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;

2) That this Board approves a voluntary levy for attorney's fees should legal action be necessary to further this Board's opposition to Project 42;

3) That this Board names a citizen and member of this township as the Board's contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this day of March, 2007.

Chairman
TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

 Atlanta Township in the County of Becker of the State of Minnesota

WHEREAS, the Wild Rice Watershed Board initiated on June 14, 2006, a flood control project currently described as Project 42, South Storage Project, Wild Rice Watershed District (hereafter Project 42) calling for certain agricultural lands to be taken out of production on or near the South Branch of the Wild Rice River;

WHEREAS, interested members of the township have requested this board formally oppose Project 42 due to the potential economic impacts upon the township and County, the loss of valuable crop land, the diminished tax base for the County, and as they feel it is not the most efficient use of agricultural land;

WHEREAS, these interested individuals believe alternatives exist, to Project 42 which may have lesser negative impacts upon the township and County;

WHEREAS, this Board agrees that alternatives to Project 42, including but not limited to on stream storage of flood water on the South Branch of the Wild Rice River, should be supported and pursued by the Watershed Board and encourages the Watershed Board to consider the same;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that RESOLUTION 4242007, that the undersigned Township Board of Atlanta Township formally opposes Project 42 as initiated by the Wild Rice Watershed Board on June 6, 2006, and directs the following actions be taken to further this opposition:

1) That the Chairman of this Board is directed to communicate by letter to the Wild Rice Watershed Board this Board’s formal opposition to Project 42 and request that alternatives including on stream storage be investigated;

2) That this Board names Kyle Jaster, a citizen and member of this township as the Board’s contact person in relation to this matter.

Dated this 24 day of April, 2007

Chairman
(WRUP Regular Mtg)  July 11th 2007

Name
- Brent Haffa
- Mark Hamlett
- Steve Jordan
- Sam Larson
- Dwight Rohrig
- Lawrence Pollock
- Randy Leckwich
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