

WILD RICE WATERSHED DISTRICT

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REGULAR MEETING

1. The regular meeting of the Wild Rice Watershed District Board of Managers was held on Wednesday, March 10, 2004, at the office of the District, located at 11 Fifth Avenue East, Ada, Minnesota.
2. The following members were present: Robert E. Wright, Steve Dalen, James Wagner, Sr., Jim Skaurud, Diane Ista and Joe Spaeth. The following members were absent: Warren J. Seykora. In addition, the following persons were present: Administrator Jerry Bennett and Loretta Johnson, recording secretary.
3. Vice Chairman Wright called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
4. A motion was made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Ista to approve the agenda. Carried.
5. A motion was made by Manager Spaeth and seconded by Manager Skaurud to approve the February 18, 2004, meeting minutes. Carried.
6. Elroy Hanson arrived at 8:45 a.m.
7. Norman County Commissioner Ed Miller arrived at 8:50 a.m.
8. Doug Marcussen reviewed the monthly financial report of the District dated February 29, 2004. Upon a motion by Manager Dalen and second by Manager Spaeth, the monthly Financial Report was approved for entry into the record. Carried.
9. Jerry Bents arrived at 9:00 a.m.
10. The bills of the District were reviewed. Administrator Bennett reported that Oliver Sorenson submitted a request for an additional \$200 reimbursement for crop damages as a result of the debris clearance on the Marsh River. Sorenson also requested payment of \$200 from the contractor as a result of a tree stand that was destroyed. Upon a motion by Manager Spaeth and second by Manager Wagner, the bills were unanimously approved and ordered paid, including the \$200 to Sorenson for crop damages. Houston Engineering is to contact the contractor about payment for the tree stand. Carried. A listing of the bills approved is attached at the end of these minutes. A motion was also made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Spaeth to approve a \$100 donation to the Norman County SWCD for the Envirothon. Carried.

11. Managers Special Interest Items.

Concerned Citizens of the Wild Rice Watershed District (CCWRWD) March Meeting.

Administrator Bennett reported on the recent meeting of the CCWRWD, which he attended along with Chairman Seykora and Manager Wagner. Bennett stated that discussion was held about a joint meeting with the Watershed District. An outline of issues prepared by the CCWRWD, was discussed for a possible joint meeting with the District that included 1) visions 2) administrator evaluation and 3) state audit. Bennett explained the District's policy regarding audits, which are currently being done annually under contract with a certified public accountant. Bennett affirmed that a state audit would be all right if the CCWRWD wanted one, but the audit prepared by Schmitz would probably accomplish the same things. The 2003 audit contracts have already been awarded and using the state auditor for the 2004 audit was discussed as a possible option. The vision of the CCWRWD includes a request to the Watershed District for information on the ideal storage acre-feet for the Twin Valley gauge for the 2002 flood event. Bennett stated that in discussions with Jeff LeDoux, Houston Engineering, the cost for engineering to determine the ideal storage number for the 2002 flood event would be in the range of \$300 to \$500, but would be of no real value to the District. Managers discussed the request by the CCWRWD for this information and whether it should be paid for by the District. Managers Wagner and Dalen felt that providing this information for \$300-\$500 was not a great deal amount of money and it would help with public relations. Manager Skaurud felt the District is spending public funds and if the information will not be useful to the District, the CCWRWD should pay for it. A motion was made by Manager Dalen and seconded by Manager Ista to approve the District paying for the engineering to obtain the ideal storage calculation for the 2002 flood event to the CCWRWD at no cost. Managers Dalen, Ista and Wagner voted yes, with Managers Spaeth, Skaurud and Wright voting no. Motion failed due to a lack of a majority vote. Managers discussed board and staff evaluations. Manager Ista distributed a letter, which listed her reasons for favoring an evaluation of staff and Board. Ista had talked to Susan Senko, who is with the Management Analysis Division of the MN Department of Administrator, St. Paul. Ista stated that Senko indicated there are grants available that could cover the costs of doing the evaluations. Ista also stated that the grants could be available to an agency such as SWCD, NRCS or BWSR, as receiving party. Manager Wagner questioned Commissioner Ed Miller about perceptions from his constituents regarding the Watershed District Board of Managers. Miller stated that the management of water will always be controversial requiring at times unpopular decisions, and for that reason the Managers are not elected, rather appointed by the commissioners and alternately the Managers' evaluation is when a Manager is to be reappointed to the Board. Administrator Bennett commented that as a contractor who manages a business, he is no different than Houston Engineering or Wambach & Hanson who are contracting their services to the District. Bennett stated that his primary goal is to provide the best service possible and better communication with the Board on its goals will help to achieve a positive outcome on Board objectives. Manager Dalen stated that he felt the evaluations would be beneficial in maximizing strengths and improving areas of weakness. Manager Ista stated she felt the Board could learn from an outside evaluator coming in who might point out where the Board and staff could make improvements.

Manager Dalen made a motion that was seconded by Manager Wagner for an in-house self-evaluation of its consultants and Board prior to hiring a consultant for outside evaluation. Manager Ista made a motion to amend the prior motion to include contacting Susan Senko to arrange for additional information from her on the grant application for evaluation of Managers and staff as long as there will be no cost to the District. Manager Dalen seconded the motion. Carried with Managers Skaurud and Spaeth opposed. The original motion with the amendment was approved and carried with Managers Skaurud and Spaeth opposed.

12. Heiberg Dam Informational Meeting. An informational meeting was held at 10:10 a.m. with citizens to discuss concept plans to repair the Heiberg Dam along with future action needed to proceed. Engineer Bents reported on a meeting held February 4, 2004, with Bob Merritt, Mel Sinn and Dave Friedl, DNR. Bents stated that the DNR's preferred alternative is to remove the dam, however, the DNR would accept modifications to the current structure that includes fish passage. Bents gave a PowerPoint presentation, which showed the conceptual design provided by the DNR and also stated that in order to have a repair approved by FEMA, environmental concerns must be addressed and a DNR permit will be required. Engineer Bents stated that the repair provides for lowering the crest of the dam six feet. Bents stated that the original intent of the dam was for ice control and concrete ice breakers (blocks) are planned in the design that would duplicate the original crest causing ice lift and then drop over the dam. Attorney Hanson stated that with most projects routine maintenance requires the project be restored to the desired efficiency, but the DNR will not permit a project without fish passage and practically you need a DNR permit to repair the project, even if landowners were going to pay for the repairs. Therefore it appears that the options are to either abandon the project or work with the DNR on the proposed alternative repair. Hanson stated that if the project is to move forward the next step is for engineering to look at options that can provide the original purpose and function of the dam, that will then require having a formal hearing on the engineer's findings for those in the benefiting area.

Don Vellenga expressed appreciation for the opportunity for comments, and does not have a problem with fish passage but raised concerns as a resident of the City of Ada that lives below the dam with FEMA, which pays for infrastructure, allowing the increase of water, more sediment and erosion as a result of the lowered crest. Vellenga stated that statistics show that we need more slowing of water, but we are giving up something that we had and obviously provides for flood storage. Engineer Bents stated that the dam does not provide any flood storage since it is a fixed crest structure. Dwight Heitman asked if the dam slowed down the water reducing erosion. Bents stated that the dam would provide some grade control and that may reduce erosion that would however be limited to the immediate downstream of the dam. Brian Borgen suggested placing a culvert at the bottom of the dam to add flood control to the current structure. Bents stated that the DNR wants the flow in the old channel restored to its original condition prior to the 2002 flooding and installing a culvert would not meet the goals of the DNR. Dwight Heitman provided a letter from the CCWRWD stating they did not want to see the original crest of the dam lowered. Don Vellenga asked about the time frame for any repair work at the dam. Engineer Bents stated that the earliest work would start in the fall but it is more likely that construction would start in 2005.

Darrell Slette stated that he felt if the Watershed District could obtain funding from FEMA and a permit from the DNR they should move forward with the repairs that can be done as proposed for the modified project. Don Vellenga stated that he did not have a problem with fish passage but would like a written statement from the DNR that retro fitting the dam did not put people of Ada in harms way. Dwight Heitman felt that since the pool will be reduced upstream of the dam, there will be increased flow. Commissioner Ed Miller stated that since the dam does not have a draw down, there is no flood control being provided by the dam and that retrofitting the dam with concrete ice breakers would be a way to address the original ice control benefits provided by the dam. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Wagner authorizing Houston Engineering to finalize the engineer's report for the Heiberg Dam repairs to include modifications to address permit requirements and to incorporate into the design the ice control features proposed in the concept plan. Carried. Landowners left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

13. Wild Rice River Feasibility Study (WRRFS). Administrator Bennett reported on a meeting held March 9, 2004, with Kyle Richardson, H2M, and Jim Birkemeyer, KRJB Radio, to discuss options for providing public information for the Wild Rice River Feasibility Study (WRRFS). These options will include radio as a media for public updates on the Wild Rice River Feasibility Study (WRRFS). Bennett stated that he is in the process of arranging a meeting with Tom Raster, COE, to review costs and scheduling. Manager Dalen suggested having a public informational meeting in Ulen, to review with the public the South Branch storage investigation and soliciting support in obtaining flood storage sites. It was also discussed that Houston Engineering will still need to finalize the scope of work with the COE for storage sites development on the South Branch. A motion was made by Manager Dalen and seconded by Manager Ista authorizing staff to arrange for a public informational meeting in Ulen and authorizing Houston Engineering to prepare a scope of work for storage site development on the South Branch. Carried. A motion was also made by Manager Dalen and seconded by Manager Skaurud authorizing the expenditure of District funds for media coverage for the March public informational meeting, prior to the funding cost share with the COE. Carried.

Attorney Hanson reported that Becky Comstock has left the firm of Dorsey Whitney, which is the designated firm providing legal services for the COE WRRFS. Attorney Hanson has contacted Kurt Deter, Rinke Noonan Law Firm, to determine if his firm would be interested in providing legal services for the WRRFS. Deter has indicated interest in the legal services contract if the Dorsey Whitney firm is no longer engaged due to Comstock leaving the firm. A motion was made by Manager Dalen and seconded by Manager Skaurud authorizing Chairman Seykora to enter into a legal services contract with Kurt Deter, Rinke Noonan Law Firm on the COE WRRFS, subject to Dorsey Whitney agreeing to terminate their contract. Carried.

14. Wild Rice River Feasibility Study (WRRFS) Public Meeting, March 25, 2004, Hendrum Fire Hall. Administrator Bennett distributed a copy of a draft agenda prepared by H2M for the March public informational meeting being held in Hendrum. Manager Ista expressed concern over having oral comments taken after written comments. Managers Dalen and Wagner felt that time should be allocated for both oral and written comments. By consensus it was agreed that twenty minutes should be allocated for both written and oral comments, with written comments to be taken ahead of any oral comments. Bennett added that Kyle Richardson would be contacting area media for publicity and would provide distribution of the notice to legislators and elected officials with an invitation to attend the meeting. A motion was made by Manager Dalen and seconded by Manager Ista authorizing advertising for the public meeting to be published in the Mahnomen, Ulen, Twin Valley, Ada, and Halstad newspapers along with local radio ads. Carried.

15. Marsh Creek Site #6. Managers discussed the status of the Marsh Creek Site #6 Project. Citing correspondence from Attorney Hanson, Manager Spaeth stated that with costs now ranging from an estimated \$2.7 million to a possible \$3-\$4 million, and project benefits at approximately \$880,000 as of 1996 and possibly decreased due to land use changes and recent protection to the City of Ada, it appears that the project is no longer economically justified. Manager Spaeth questioned if the District would continue to pursue the wetland banking acres on the Donald Anderson and Doug Spaeth properties, which were originally intended as mitigation acres for the Marsh Creek Site #6 Project. Managers Dalen and Wagner felt that mitigation acres could be used in future projects and the District should continue working on them.

Attorney Hanson also asked if Managers wanted him to discontinue working on extending the options for the Marsh Creek Site #6 Project. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Skaurud making preliminary findings to terminate the Marsh Creek Site #6 Project due to the lack of economic justification. Carried with Managers Wagner, Dalen, Skaurud and Ista voting in favor and Managers Wright and Spaeth opposed.

16. Brian Borgen met with Managers briefly to discuss an unpaid invoice submitted to the District by Ziegler Construction for work done near the Barry Lee property during the 2002 flood event. Borgen stated that it was his understanding that the Watershed District had denied paying the bill and Ziegler Construction was left without payment. Borgen felt that because the work was done on the Upper Reaches Project, neither Lee nor Ziegler Construction should be paying for the costs; rather it should be paid from the Upper Reaches account. Managers agreed to investigate his request.

17. Manager Dalen left the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

18. Judicial Ditch No. 56, Main. An informational meeting was held at 1:15 p.m. with interested landowners on the proposed repairs to J.D. #56. A packet of information was distributed to those in attendance including the original petition, repair report, map of the benefiting area and an amortization schedule. Engineer Bents reviewed the repair report prepared by Houston Engineering, and stated that the cost for construction, including engineering is estimated to be \$90,530. This estimate assumes that a donation easement will be used for right of way and temporary spoil leveling. Bents stated that existing open field laterals would be left open and piped inlets will be replaced or left in their original condition. The ditch will be cleaned to its original grade line and backsloped to a 3:1 slope. Wayne Stevenson expressed concerns over the south berm being constructed lower during ditch work done a couple of years ago and suggested building settlement into the elevation of the berm. John Jamison stated that he did not want the berm lowered on his land. Engineer Bents stated if there is a large concern about the berm elevation, additional time and funds could be expended to do further surveying to determine a profile along the length of the berm. Alan Christensen asked the costs of doing the surveying. Bents stated that it would be approximately \$1,500 that would not include the additional cost of monitoring the construction. Mark Weber asked if there would be a problem with the prior ditch cleaning out west of the current cleanout that was raised one foot above the original grade line. Engineer Bents stated that there is still sufficient fall in the last mile but if necessary, additional cleaning could be done in the first thousand feet of Section 7, Felton Township. Wayne Stevenson stated that he did not have a problem with the ditch repair and asked about financing for the repair project. Administrator Bennett reviewed an amortization schedule along with a map of the ditch system showing benefits per acre, which indicated the costs to landowners on the ditch system if the project is financed internally by the Watershed District. Landowners in the high benefiting area would be levied \$2.61 per acre per year and those in the low benefiting area would be levied \$.87 per acre per year based on a repayment of the repair costs over a ten-year timeframe. Manager Skaurud asked if landowners wanted the additional surveying of the berm, but reminded them of the additional costs. Mark Harless stated that the original purpose of the petition was to clean the bottom of the ditch and felt it could be left up to landowners to monitor the level of the berm height. Wayne Stevenson also stated that on the previous downstream cleanout, the ditch cleaning was done in the summer and the spoil was leveled after the fall crop removal. It was suggested that for the construction, the spoil be piled and spread after the crop is removed. A motion was made by Manager Skaurud and seconded by Manager Wagner to approve the repairs identified in the engineer's repair report and to proceed to construction, subject to landowners donation easements for right of way. Carried. Landowners left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

19. A.C. Heiraas Lawsuit Update. Attorney Hanson provided an update to the status of the A.C. Heiraas lawsuit. Hanson stated that the lawsuit has been continued for another scheduling conference, but does not know if the lawsuit will proceed or not. Hanson stated that the District's insurance premium would most likely increase as a result of the lawsuit.

20. Marsh Creek Site #6. Attorney Hanson questioned if the Managers wanted him to continue pursuing options on the Marsh Creek Site #6 Project. Also discussed was holding a public informational meeting on Board's preliminary findings to terminate the project. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Skaurud to instruct Attorney Hanson to refrain from renewing any options on the Marsh Creek Site #6 Project and to schedule a public informational meeting in Mahanomen, at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at the American Legion Club Meeting Room or if not available, an alternative location to be determined. The purpose of the meeting will be to review preliminary findings made by the Board of Managers to terminate further development of the project. Carried.

21. Mick Alm arrived at 3:00 p.m.

PERMIT APPLICATIONS

22. EERC, Flood Storage Site, Section 30, Good Hope Township. At 3:00 p.m. Ed Stedman and Kirk Williams, of the EERC, gave a presentation on a permit application for the proposed waffle project site in Section 30 of Good Hope Township and distributed information on the Waffle approach. Stedman stated that grant funds were received from the Department of Agriculture to evaluate the waffle approach as a way to mitigate springtime flooding in the Red River Basin. Stedman stated that GIS maps and models have been developed along with soil and water assessment modeling and they hope to do a field trial this spring in Section 30 of Good Hope Township. Stedman stated that they have the necessary landowner signatures excepting one, which he intends to obtain today. Administrator Bennett questioned if Norman County Engineer, Mick Alm, had any objections to the project. Alm stated that the County had no objections, but requested trash racks be installed on the intake pipes to prevent the inlets from being blocked and causing water to overtop the county road. Upon a motion by Manager Ista and second by Manager Wagner Permit Application No. 11-12-03-12, of the EERC for a flood storage site in Section 30, Good Hope Township, was approved upon receipt of the final flood storage agreement and the installation of trash racks on the intake pipes. Carried.

23. Attorney Hanson, Ed Stedman and Kirk Williams left the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

24. Farmstead Ring Dikes. Engineer Bents updated the Managers on the status of the farmstead ring dike program. Bents stated that Mike Buerkley, Houston Engineering, met with Richard Borgen, Brian Hest and Weber Brothers who have signed their prepay agreements. Roger Dyr Dahl is out of town. Gerald Arends has indicated that he is no longer interested in the farm ring dike program for this year, but would like to remain on the list for consideration next year. Regarding the Ken Thomas ring dike, Bents stated that the site has a number of difficulties, but would not be impossible to implement. Buerkley has reviewed the information with Thomas.

Administrator Bennett stated that Kevin Anderson, renter of the Dean Heitman property, requested that the District investigate whether a portion of the Dean Heitman dike could be moved out away from the grain bins. Anderson stated that it is very difficult to fill and remove grain due to the dike being close to the bins. Manager Wagner stated that he would investigate the situation before the Managers take any further action.

25. Ditch Maintenance. Administrator Bennett distributed a list of the carry over 2003 ditch maintenance items. Bennett stated that the list would continue to be updated for any new requests approved in 2004.

26. Red River Basin Commission (RRBC) Plan. Regarding comments to the RRBC plan, Engineer Bents stated that he did not have any recommended changes. Manager Wright stated that he understood that comments could be provided to the Red River Basin Board over the next couple months. Manager Ista stated that she would like to provide comments and would discuss them with Lance Yohe, RRBC. Administrator Bennett reported that DNR Commissioner, Gene Merriam, and Ron Harnack and Cheryl Corrigan, BWSR, have been appointed to the RRBC as official state representatives.

27. Norman County Rural Acquisition. Dick Sundberg distributed a status report on the 2002 acquisition program. Sundberg stated that appraisals have been finalized for all 14 of the acquisitions. Sundberg noted that six applicants are not satisfied with their appraisals. One of the properties has gone through closing and three are pending.

In addition to the 2002 acquisitions, Administrator Bennett reported that the Division of Emergency Management (DEM) has indicated that the Ken Kesselberg property is tentatively pending approval under the DEM 1175 program. Consideration is being given to Kesselberg for a possible acquisition or alternatively flood proofing. Bennett will continue to work to try and get Kesselberg approved under the program.

28. Marsh River Beaver Dam Removal. Dick Sundberg distributed a copy of a cover letter along with access maps and consent forms, which will be sent to all landowners on the Marsh River where access is needed to remove beaver dams. Upon return of the consent forms, a contract will be implemented with Harold Olson, low bidder for the beaver dam removal project.

PERMIT APPLICATIONS

29. Norman County Highway Department, Section 3, Shelly Township. Upon a motion by Manager Wagner and second by Manager Spaeth, Permit Application No. 3-10-04-1 of the Norman County Highway Department to replace a bridge in Section 3, Shelly Township was approved. Carried.

30. Mick Alm left the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

31. Skaurud Flood Storage. Administrator Bennett reported on a meeting held with the NRCS regarding the Skaurud Flood Storage site. Bennett stated that the NRCS would be looking into options for funding the design of the project. The NRCS stated that if Houston Engineering is TSP certified, which Engineer Bents indicated they are, it is a possibility that they could design the project. Bennett stated that Houston Engineering would be working with the NRCS on options for doing the engineering. Also discussed at the meeting was an NRCS/Watershed District project on the Heitman-Vik property, but the NRCS stated that this was not a top priority at the present time.

32. Lockhart Flood Storage Project. Administrator Bennett stated that Petersons submitted a proposal for maintenance seeding of approximately ten acres for \$35 per acre, mowing at \$4 per acre for one time and \$100 per year for reading the staff rain gauge and monitoring the project. A motion was made by Manager Wagner and seconded by Manager Skaurud to approve the proposal and for staff to prepare a contract with Peterson Brothers. Carried.

33. Green Meadow/Borup Dam Evaluations. Engineer Bents distributed a worksheet prepared by Midwest Testing on the cost estimates to complete the geotechnical evaluations of the Green Meadow and Borup Dams. The total estimated cost for Green Meadow Dam Project is \$28,500 to \$34,000 and \$14,000 to \$17,500 for the Borup Dam Project. Managers discussed different options including applying to the Red River Watershed Management Board (RRWMB) for cost share funding. Managers also discussed using the \$20,000 towards repair of the Borup Dam rather than going through the geotechnical evaluations. Manager Wagner stated that the Green Meadow Project protects a lot of acres of farmland from flooding. Manager Spaeth felt it was prudent to request assistance from the RRWMB because the Green Meadow Dam does provide flood control. Consensus of Managers was to table any action until the April meeting.

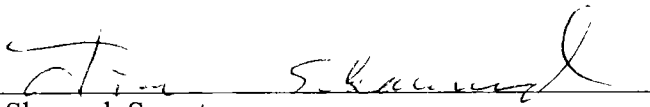
34. Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Potential Storage Site Projects. Administrator Bennett suggested scheduling a special meeting for March 24, 2004, the regular meeting day for the Project Team to invite the SWCDs interested in the development of potential storage sites the Watershed District. This would be an opportunity to use the \$20,000 budgeted by the District, to work with the SWCDs on target areas for potential storage sites. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner, authorizing a special meeting on Wednesday, March 24, 2004, at the District office to discuss the flood storage program with the District. Carried.

35. Manager Skaurud left the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

PERMIT APPLICATIONS

36. Terry Rocker, Section 25, Lockhart Township. Managers discussed the permit application of Terry Rocker to construct a ditch in Section 25, Lockhart Township and whether they should notice all interested landowners in the area or return the permit to Rocker informing him that he needs to provide an adequate outlet for his project on the permit application prior to the Board taking action. Manager Ista stated that she would work with Rocker in an attempt to assist him in providing sufficient information on the permit for Managers to take action. A motion was made by Manager Ista and seconded by Manager Wagner to return Rocker's permit along with instructions that he can resubmit the permit application when providing further details for possible downstream impacts. Carried.

37. There being no further business to come before the Board of Managers, Vice Chairman Wright adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.



Jim Skaurud, Secretary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Checking-RAB				
03/10/2004	8114	AmeriPride	Cleaning Services	(27.13)
03/10/2004	8115	Auto Value/Radio Shack	Nokia Phone Battery	(15.44)
03/10/2004	8116	Bits & Bytes	Computer Consultation	(16.48)
03/10/2004	8117	City of Ada	Utilities	(293.00)
03/10/2004	8118	Clay County Auditor	J.D. #56 Main	(5.00)
03/10/2004	8119	Diane Ista	Per Diem and Expense	(376.70)
03/10/2004	8120	G R Graphics, Copier	Contract Allowance to 4/10/04	(198.89)
03/10/2004	8121	Houston Engineering, Inc.	Engineering Fees	(37,461.72)
03/10/2004	8122	ICS Agency	Agency Fee/Ohio Casualty	(118.00)
03/10/2004	8123	ISC Agency, Inc.	Commercial Pack Ren. 4/05	(10,382.00)
03/10/2004	8124	James Wagner, Sr	Per diem\expense	(150.71)
03/10/2004	8125	JB Associates, Ltd., Inc.	Admin	(20,714.37)
03/10/2004	8126	Jim Skaurud	Per Diem and Expenses	(255.73)
03/10/2004	8127	Joe Spaeth	Per Diem and Expense	(72.74)
03/10/2004	8128	Loretel Systems	Phone Billings	(423.88)
03/10/2004	8129	Marcussen Accounting	Accounting Fees	(440.00)
03/10/2004	8130	Norman County Abstract		(215.00)
03/10/2004	8131	Norman County Index	Billings	(435.68)
03/10/2004	8132	Oliver & Carol Sorenson	Marsh River Debris Clearance	(200.00)
03/10/2004	8133	PERA	Payroll @ 5.1%	(280.10)
03/10/2004	8134	Petty Cash	Petty Cash	(143.41)
03/10/2004	8135	Red River Coop Power	Acquisition	(12.43)
03/10/2004	8136	Red River Watershed Management Board	1/2 Submittal-Jan & Feb 2004	(3,777.19)
03/10/2004	8137	Robert E. Wright	Per Diem and Expenses	(192.71)
03/10/2004	8138	Rural American Bank	FICA Withholding, Managers\Watershed	(403.16)
03/10/2004	8139	Steve Dalen	Per Diem and Expenses	(270.15)
03/10/2004	8140	Tim Halle	Press release, 03 annual report, Heiberg dam	(298.00)
03/10/2004	8141	Wambach & Hanson	February Billings	(1,923.15)
03/15/2004	8142	Aquila	Utilites	(105.45)
03/15/2004	8143	Norman County Auditor/Treasurer	03 Taxes Mark Arends Prop	<u>(64.32)</u>
Total Checking-RAB				(79,272.54)