

## **WILD RICE WATERSHED DISTRICT**

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### **SPECIAL MEETING**

**July 26, 2012**

### **APPROVED MINUTES**

1. A special meeting of the Wild Rice Watershed District Board of Managers was held on Thursday, July 26, 2012. Managers in attendance included Greg Holmvik, Duane Erickson, John Austinson, Mike Christensen, Dean Spaeth, Raymond Hanson and Curt Johannsen. Absent: None. In addition the following persons were in attendance: Administrator Kevin Ruud, Loretta Johnson, Engineer Jerry Bents and various other interested taxpayers and landowners.

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

#### **PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

3. Mark Habedank, Section 7, Wild Rice Twp. After considerable discussion Mark Habedank withdrew Permit Application #7-26-12-9 to replace a 15" culvert with an 18" culvert and remove a driveway.

4. Nepstad Farms, Section 27, Hegne Twp. A motion was made by Manager Austinson and seconded by Manager Erickson to approve Permit #7-26-12-15 to clean a ditch and place spoil on the north side of the ditch bank. Carried.

5. Complaints, Section 6, Lake Ida Twp. Discussion was held regarding the height of the berm Mark Habedank installed in Section 1/6 of Lake Ida Twp. Administrator Ruud stated that this was evaluation during the last permit review and considered that the berm needed to be lowered, however elevations could be taken during the next permit review. A motion was made by Manager Austinson to table and seconded by Manager Hanson to table the complaint, review and take elevations at the next permit review and bring back to the board for consideration. Carried.

6. Attorney Hanson left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

7. Flood Damage Reduction Project Planning Acceleration 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Chuck Fritz, Henry Van Offelen, Ron Harnack and Charlie Anderson met with Managers to discuss flood damage reduction in the Wild Rice Watershed District. They distributed two packets of information, a Red River Basin Decision Information Project Planning and Permit Evaluation Tool, and Red River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Framework Technical Paper No. 11 dated May 2004. (These information packets are available upon request at the District Office.) Each explained their own expertise in developing retention projects within the Red River Valley and within the Wild Rice Watershed District. The planning tool presented is hoped to expedite the permit and planning process of the projects and move forward the goal of 20% flood reduction in the Watershed District.


**PERMIT APPLICATIONS.**

8. A motion was made by Manager Hanson and seconded by Manager Spaeth to table the following permit applications: Carried.

- B & G Farms, Section 18, Marsh Creek Twp. Permit to install subsurface drain tile.
- Bejou Twp. Sections 13-24 Bejou Twp. Permit to replace a 24" culvert with a 36" culvert.
- Dahl Farms, Section 22, Bejou Twp. Permit to install subsurface drain tile.
- Fossum Twp. Section 16, Fossum Twp. Permit to replace a bridge with a Texas Crossing.
- Mattson Bros. Sections 27-34 Atlanta Twp. Permit to install subsurface drain tile.
- Ronald Mickelson, Section 31, McDonaldsville Twp. Permit to construct a farmstead ring dike.
- Doug Nelson, Section 29, Pleasant View Twp. Permit to install subsurface drain tile.
- Brad Olek, Section 33, Felton Twp. Permit to install subsurface drain tile.
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- Kevin Olson, Section 25, Green Meadow Twp. Permit to improve a drainage ditch.
- Wayne Stevenson, Section 29, Rockwell Twp. Permit to install subsurface drain tile.
- Wild Rice Twp. Section 32, Wild Rice Twp. Permit to remove a driveway, install a new center line culvert, install a depressed culvert.

9. Andrew Borgen, Section 1, Lee Twp. A motion was made by Manager Hanson and seconded by Manager Christensen to approve Permit #7-26-12-4 to install subsurface drain tile with the following recommendations and conditions: Carried. 1. Recommendation that the applicant contact and coordinate with the NRCS/SWCD/FSA offices to ensure approval/clearance regarding any potential wetland issues (and with the USFW for installation of tile on any parcel that is under easement from the USFWS). 2. Recommendation that the applicant obtain approval from the necessary road authorities (Township, county, state,...) for any work in the road R/W and the drainage authorities (county) for outlets into legal ditches not under the WRWD jurisdiction. 3. Approved with the condition that the applicant is responsible for adequate erosion control measures at the outlet of the tile system. This should include the installation of riprap or other protection measures at pump outlets. It will remain the responsibility of the applicant to maintain this protection as long as the tile is in place and operating. 4. Approved with the condition that all gravity outlets be installed above (however not more than 2-feet above) the elevation of the original design gradeline of the receiving ditch or channel. 5. Pumped Outlets Only – Approved with the condition that the pump (s) not be operated during freezing conditions and during times of downstream flooding and that pumps and associated pipes will not be installed above ground and will not block vehicle traffic on the ROW of ditch systems. Also all disturbed areas in the ditch ROW's will be restored and reseeded to preexisting conditions.

10. There being no further business to come before the Board of Managers a motion was made by Manager Hanson and seconded by Manager Austinson to adjourn the meeting. Carried. Chairman Holmvik adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

  
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John Austinson, Secretary