

SANDHILL RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
CITY COUNCIL ROOMS
FERTILE COMMUNITY CENTER
January 3, 1984

1. Roland Gullekson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:50 AM. Board members also present were: Daniel Wilkens, Secretary; Vernon Larson, Treasurer; Roger Hanson and Conrad Carlson, Exec. Secretary. Absent was Francis LaVoi.
2. The next regular meeting was set for Tuesday February 7, 1984 at 8:30 AM.
3. Other people present: Gale Fraser and Laurence Woodbury, Houston Engineering, Harold V. Olson, Verdell Olson, George Welk, MN/DOT, Donald Ogaard, Carsten Zahl, Rodney Sonstelie, Diane Sonstelie, Orvin Sonstelie, Melvin Christianson, Myron Henney, Gordon Sonstelie, Ray Gullekson.
4. The minutes of the December 6, 1983 meeting were approved as amended.
5. The Treasured report was approved as read.
6. Minnesota Annual Watershed meeting: Hanson and Carlson gave a report on the meeting at Alexandria.
7. Red River Valley International Water Summit at Grand Forks. Roland Gullekson gave a report of the meeting at Grand Forks.
8. Beaver report on Sandhill River between Rindal and up to Messelt bridge. Harold V. Olson reported that his crew had blasted 5 beaver dams and 5 houses. Estimated that the water was lowered six feet. Motion by Hanson to pay Olson for blasting dams. Seconded by Larson. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Sandhill Lake. Letter from fisheries to Rick Johnson (copy in file). Plan to lower Sandhill lake and turn the lake over to Wild Life after Public hearings.
10. Project #2. No surveying done because of extreme cold.
11. Ditching-Section 35, Russia Twp, Polk County. Ray Gullekson questioned why Sandhill District had given permit to Burke Bros to ditch without increasing size of culvert that has to take the water. There is no permit on file to put in a new ditch on this property. Secretary will write to Burke Bros, operator of land in question and ask for a report from them before next meeting.
12. Highway # 59. Discussion on raising culvert through # 59 (Sec 35, T 148) 1.2 foot as requested by wild life. George Welk explained requests from various landowners/operators for lowering some culverts.
13. Boundary Change: Wilkens moved to accept the Boundary Changes with Wild Rice Watershed. Seconded by Hanson. Motion passed unanimously.
14. Winger Dam: Donald Ogaard, Chairman of Lower Red River Watershed gave his opinion and ideas of possible funding of the dam. Corps of Engineers reported that preliminary costs of the dam out weighed the benefits of the dam. Therefore, the Corps of Engineers were not approving the dam with their funding. They gave no credit or value to reducing flooding on the Red River. In order to give the dam every

possible chance of becoming a reality, Chairman Gullekson asked Houston Engineering to complete a detailed cost of the dam before attempting to get financial help from the State Legislature. Houston Engineering is to report back to the Sandhill Board on January 17, 19&K

15. Motion by Larson to pay current vouchers. Seconded by Hanson. Motion passed unanimously.

LRRW -----	\$11,366.81
Daniel Wilkens-Meeting & mileage -----	51.52
Roland Gullekson-Meeting & mileage-----	259.86
Roger Hanson-Meeting & mileage -----	338.50
Vernon Larson-Meeting & mileage -----	107.56
Conrad Carlson-Meeting/mileage/Secretarial -----	463.41
Fertile Journal-Admin -----	6.37
Farmers Table-Admin -----	29.53
Harold V. Olson-Project # 1 -----	645.00
Stanley Olson- Admin -----	<u>185.00</u>
Total-----	\$13,453.56

16. Motion by Wilkens to recess meeting at 3:00 PM until Tuesday January 17, at 8:30 AM. Seconded by Larson. Motion Passed unanimously.
17. The second meeting was held at 8:30 A.M. Jan. 25, 1984. All board members were present—also Gayle Frazer, Bob Mucha, and Carston Zahl.
18. Bob Muscha gave a report on what they found checking with the Agencies involved in the Winger Project.
19. Dan Wilkens gave a report on Lower Red Board Meeting last week. They stated full support behind the project.
20. Dan Wilkens made motion, Francis seconded to have chairman instruct engineers to gather information for Legislative meeting—Crookston around the 10 or 11 of Feb. Motion carried.
21. Increased rental rates were discussed. It was felt \$600 per year was adequate. This will be discussed with the council.
22. Motion was made by Dan and seconded by Vernon that the meeting adjourn

Daniel Wilkens Secretary

Conrad Carlson, Exec. Secretary