

**MCHENRY COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING
AUGUST 12, 2025**

Present: Dave Ashley, David Olson, David P. Haman, Terry Krumwiede, Murray Pfau, Lorinda Haman.

Chair Ashley called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM in the McHenry County Weed Board Office in Towner.

D. Haman/Pfau moved to approve the agenda as amended adding bills to approve ND Water Users dues and ND Water Resource Districts Association dues. Motion carried.

The minutes of the June 10, 2025 meeting were approved per motion by Pfau/D. Haman, motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Financial Statements for June and July were reviewed and approved as moved by Pfau/Olson. Motion carried.

Bills to approve: David Haman/Pfau moved to approve the following bills: Lorinda Haman \$77.88 – Quicken Renewal; ND Water Users dues of \$325; and ND Water Resource Districts Association dues of \$700. Roll Call vote: all members voting aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Pledge of Securities were reviewed.

A Letter of Credit from the Bank of ND was discussed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The installation of a culvert between Sections 19 and 20 of Lake Hester Township has been completed, no board action required.

An invoice was received from Velva Township for financial assistance consideration. The invoice was not itemized. Secretary Haman will work with Velva Township to secure the correct invoice format required.

Schiller Township presented invoices for two culvert installations requesting cost share consideration. After review Pfau/Krumwiede moved to approve payments of \$2054.97 and 1627.18. Roll Call vote, all members voting aye, motion passed unanimously.

Beaver dam removal in Little Deep and Deep River Creeks was discussed. No application for cost share will be submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

The ND Water Resource Districts Association Winter Meeting will be held in Bismarck December 9 – 12, 2025. Agendas and registration forms will be forthcoming.

A Temporary Water Permit has been issued to Knife River Materials for dust control dating 7-17-25 through 12-31-25. Water source is a gravel pit pond in NW4SW4-3-153-79.

Strege Township has submitted a payment application for consideration on a culvert installation. After reviewing Krumwiede/Pfau moved to approve payment of \$2035.20. Roll Call vote taken: Olson abstaining; Haman, Krumwiede, Pfau and Ashley voted aye, motion passed.

The ND Water Resource Districts Association is holding public hearings on the proposed change to administrative rules addressing timelines and processes for construction and drainage permits. Public hearings are set for August 28 in Fargo and September 2 in Bismarck. Public comments are open until September 12th. Chairman Ashley explained more details in regards to this resolution to work with the Department of Water Resources.

BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITIES:

Ashley reported that the Souris River Joint Board is developing a work plan with the primary focus on work in the rural areas outside the City of Minot. He also reported that he had been contacted in regards to large feedlot near Surrey which was built without a waste containment facility. Concern is that drainage from this feedlot will flow into Egg Creek and on to Buffalo Lodge. He will work to determine how this may affect McHenry County.

The next regular meeting is changed from October 14th to Tuesday, October 21st, 2025, at 8 AM in Towner due to member conflicts.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

There being no further business Ashley declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorinda Haman

Lorinda Haman, Secretary