TRAILL COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT RECURRENT MEETING MARCH 19, 2019 ~ HILLSBORO, ND

The District Board convened on this date and came to order at 8:00am at the office of the Traill County Water Resource District in Hillsboro, ND. Managers present were: Joel Halvorson, Gary Thompson, Andy Neset, and Jason Lovas with Jason Siegert presiding as Chairman. Also present was: Chris Gross, Moore Engineering, Inc.

AGENDA

Manager Lovas moved to approve the order of the agenda as amended. Manager Halvorson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Manager Thompson moved to approve the March 5, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Manager Halvorson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL

It was moved by Manager Neset and seconded by Manager Halvorson to approve payment of the March $6 \sim 19$, 2019 bills and the electronic funds transfers, as presented. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DRAIN BUSINESS

Updates were given on the following drains:

Proposed Grand Forks WRD/Traill County Legal Drain:

Jason Siegert updated the Board on the development of the proposed legal drain along the county line of County Road 25. Jason feels optimistic that this project will be moving forward. He will keep us posted for any further development.

Hillsboro Drain No. 26:

The Board reviewed a surface drainage application for the purpose of determining whether or not this project may be considered to have statewide or inter-district significance. After further discussion, Andy Neset moved to submit the application, engineering drawings, and a hydraulic comparison of the outlet to the State Water Commission for their review. Jason Lovas seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Thompson Drain No. 72:

Gary Thompson told the managers that this proposed project is still in the planning stages, but moving forward in a positive manner. An informational meeting has been scheduled for April 16th at 8:00am. Notices will be placed in the papers, and letters of invitation will be mailed to the landowners involved.

Proposed Camrud Drain No. 79:

Chris Gross said the Camrud Drain is on an abeyance list at this time and is hopeful this project will be eligible for funding. He added that he has spoken to Chris Hong who implied that they

are still very interested in having this drain built and will have the bond of \$30,000.00 to the Board by tomorrow for the reinstatement of preliminary engineering. Chris added that moving forward with the preliminary engineering will be contingent on receiving the bond from the petitioner's and State Water Commission cost-share participation.

PERMITS AND COMPLAINTS:

<u>APPLICATION TO INSTALL A SUBSURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM NO. 2019-01 – ERIC KNUDSVIG</u>

Eric Knudsvig, Leon Sand, Greg Thompson of Houston Engineering, Inc., Joel Brandstad, and Levi Otis of Ellingson Drainage met with the Board to discuss Eric Knudsvig's tile application.

The Board and guests proceeded with discussion of the application and the "technical evidence" submitted from one of the downstream landowners, Leon Sand. The Board had directed engineer Chris Gross to examine the project and to consider potential adverse impacts. After a lengthy discussion, a compromise was determined on the downstream impacts. It was decided that an updated permit application to reflect new outlets will be brought forth and considered at our next meeting on April 2nd.

OTHER BUSINESS

Corey Martin, Traill County Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to go over county road and bridge issues with the Board. Corey told the Board that they are starting to dig out snow from ditches and culverts today. He added that he will provide a blanket permit for our contractors who will be assisting the water board with removing snow from our legal drains.

Kenny Knutson met with the Board to express his concerns about flooding issues on the Stavanger-Belmont Drain No. 52, and his opinions of the construction of the proposed Camrud Drain No. 79.

Vettie Johnson, Secretary

Having no further topics to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:30am without objection.

Fason Siegert, Chairman