

LaMoure County Water Resource District Board Meeting- Monday, July 1, 2024 at 9:00 am.

Present in person: Glenn Haugen, Bobby Frauenberg, Secretary/Treasurer Janice Hamlin, Co-Secretary Karin Boom, Mike Vogel and Nathan Trosen, Moore Engineering. Present by Zoom, Chairman Kerry Ketterling, Jason Gross, Attorney Kimberly Radermacher, Kimberly Robbins, Emergency Manager.

Chairman Ketterling called the meeting to order, pronounced a quorum and asked for any additions to the agenda. Motion by Haugen to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Frauenberg and passed.

Ketterling asked for any additions or corrections to the April 4, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion by Frauenberg to approve the minutes of April 4, 2024 as submitted, seconded by Haugen and passed.

Ketterling called on Mike Vogel to discuss the Bear Creek Drain proposal. Ketterling also noted that the official designation for that is LaMoure County Drain #1. Vogel said this is the same project put to the board earlier and has not been actively pursued. It is again being looked at. The proposed bond is now at \$100,000 with \$45,000 of that already secured. The board is being asked to contribute \$7,000 toward the bond. This is a drain which involves Barnes County and will likely involve the creation of a joint water board with the two counties and a water district to be created by Moore Engineering. Ketterling inquired whether the City of Marion would be an involved entity with the Boom Lake project and that was affirmed. Hamlin inquired who would run the elections of the new joint board. The LCWRD board would likely be conducting the elections. Trosen explained that this would involve a 9–12-month process and he would assist in setting up an account under the LCWRD to receive and disburse project funds and expenses. Motion by Frauenberg to pay \$7000 towards the bond to get the study and project started; second by Haugen and passed. Vogel said they would submit the funding application to the State Water Commission and he and Trosen would assist with that application. If the amount requested from the SWB is less than \$45,000, they can process it without a meeting on the request.

Ketterling called on Attorney Radermacher to review the Subsurface Water Management Application submitted by Corey Sandness, Garret Magill and Chuck Magill for the West Half Section, Section 3; South Half Section, Section 4; and NE Section 8 and NW Section 9 all of T133N R59W with the outlet in SW1/4 Sec 3-T134N-R59W, LaMoure County. Radermacher informed the board that the application was properly submitted, but part of the drain runs through an adjacent landowner and without an easement in writing the board cannot approve the application. She was informed by the applicants that it had been secured, but it has not been submitted as of this meeting. Ketterling said the board will table a determination until the permission has been received. At that time the board can call a meeting to review.

Ketterling reviewed the Subsurface Water Management Application submitted by Jim Bitz for NE & SE ¼ Sections, Sec 11; SW1/4 Section 12 and NW1/4 Section 13 all T133 N R61W LaMoure County. Radermacher said the application was in order. Motion by Frauenberg to approve with statutory conditions, seconded by Haugen and passed.

Ketterling reviewed the proposed budget for 2025. Raises of \$500 to Radermacher and Hamlin, \$250 to Boom and \$40 to per diem for board was proposed. Obsolete line items for James River Basin Project and trees were removed. A line item for technology was added to enable the board to get a dedicated account for online meetings. Proposed line items were \$25,000

salaries, mileage and payroll taxes; Technology \$200; Office supplies \$500; Travel/Legal \$2000; Dues and registration fees \$1200; Dam repair and project expense \$5000; Engineering fees \$2500; IRS payment \$2500. Motion to accept the budget totaling \$38,900 by Frauenberg, seconded by Haugen and passed.

Hamlin reviewed the quarterly financial report. Motion to approve by Fraunberg, seconded by Haugen and passed.

Next meeting date: Special online meeting to be set upon receipt of signed easement on Magill/Sandness application. Next quarterly meeting Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at 9:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am.