

LaMoure County Water Resource District Special Meeting Thursday, July 27, 2023 at 2:00 pm

Present in person: Acting Chairman, Glenn Haugen, Jason Gross, Nathan Nitschke, Bobby Frauenberg and Attorney Kimberly Radermacher. Also present were Janice Hamlin, Secretary/Treasurer; Karin Boom, Co-secretary and Charles Petersen, Rick Wiemann, Justin Domine, John Quandt, Steve Hansen.

Chairman Haugen called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Call for a motion to approve the agenda for the Special Meeting. Frauenberg moved to approve the Special Meeting Agenda, seconded by Gross and passed. No remote attendees at the meeting.

Application to install a Subsurface Water Management System pertaining to NW ¼ 35-134-59 and NE ¼ 35-134-59 was discussed. Frauenberg stated that a downstream landowner had contacted him regarding potential problems in Divide Township, Dickey County. Radermacher said the applications under current laws are hard to decline but may be subjected to added conditions by the water board. Quandt said that tiling could be controlled and not allowed to pump during flood conditions. Justin Domine offered input as to the impact on his property and on the area involved in the watershed. Motion by Gross to approve the application with statutory conditions and the additional condition of shutting off the discharge when notified water is at flood stage downstream. Motion seconded by Frauenberg and approved.

John Quandt and Steve Hanson, members of the Dickey County Water Resource District Board met with the board to discuss proposed work on the LaMoure/Dickey County line east of Hwy 1. The road there has been flooded for seven years, even after a grade raise that cost a million dollars. They have a plan to remove 7 feet of water to get to the 4-foot freeboard level by installing 11,000 feet of pipe to the east 1.5 miles south of the curves on Hwy 1. Dickey County would cover the cost with the input of several landowners in the watershed. Water would be flowing at the rate of 3000 gpm and take about 100 days to reach the intended level. Discussion and questions regarding an operating agreement and cooperation between counties on controlling the water being drained into that watershed that would impact the drain being installed. Dickey County will set up a marker along the road on Twp 14A to indicate the level at which the water would be exceeding the limit and LaMoure County would inform drain operators to turn off pumps. Motion by Frauenberg to set guidelines on the water exiting to Dickey County Twp 14A on permits issued in accordance with the agreement, motion seconded by Gross and passed.

Motion by Gross to adjourn, seconded by Frauenberg and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm.

Approved on: _____.

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Glenn Haugen, Acting Chairman

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Karin Boom, Co-Secretary