

11

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Held in the State Water Commission Office, April 26, 1944.

A regular meeting of the North Dakota Water Conservation Commission was held in the Water Commission Office, State Capitol, on April 26, 1944. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Kenneth W. Simons at 10 A.M. with Commissioners Simons, Thompson, Dahl and Orlady; J. J. Walsh, Acting Secretary and Chief Engineer; and Einar Berge present. Governor Moses was absent.

Commissioner Orlady moved that the March 8 minutes be approved. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Orlady moved that the financial reports for February and March be approved. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Orlady moved that Mr. Orr's salary be increased from \$2400 to \$2800 per year, effective April 1st. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Orlady, Dahl, Thompson and Simons voting aye.

Commissioner Dahl moved that Alfred Torvick's salary be increased from \$135. to \$150 per month, effective April 1st. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Roll Call taken with Commissioners Orlady, Dahl, Thompson and Simons voting aye.

Discussion on School on Water Development in North Dakota to be conducted under the direction of Commissioner Orlady. Suggested that the School be held on a Sunday and the Commission meeting on the following Monday.

Mr. Ivar Acker came into the meeting at 10:45 A.M. relative to consolidation of bond issues.

Governor Moses came into the meeting at 11:10 A.M. Mr. Acker left the meeting at 11:30 A.M.

Commissioner Simons is to confer with Mr. Maddock re the irrigation projects of the Mutual Aid Corporation and report back to the Commission.

Discussion on Mr. Tucker's letter to Governor Moses under date of June 3, 1943. Items in this letter have been taken care of.

The Secretary is instructed to be on the lookout for cars (2) for field parties. Commissioner Orlady moved that the Vice Chairman and Chief Engineer be authorized to act as a committee to purchase one or two cars for the use of the Commission. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Dahl, Orlady, Thompson and Simons and Governor Moses voting aye.

Commissioner Thompson moved that the Chairman be authorized to contact Thos. H. Means, Consulting Engineer of San Francisco, and employ him on behalf of the Commission to make a survey of North Dakota's essential needs in its water development and to advise the Commission. Commissioner Simons seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Thompson, Dahl, Orlady, Simons and Governor Moses voting aye.

Bill for services and expenses of Nels G. Johnson, Attorney, relative to the Mouse River was presented in the amount of \$161.00. Commissioner Simons moved that the bill be approved. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Dahl, Thompson, Simons, Orlady and Governor Moses voting aye.

Commissioner Simons moved that the Secretary be authorized to deal with Mr. Harke relative to a fence on the north end of his property and near the bridge in order to keep trespassers off the land. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Thompson, Dahl, Simons, Orlady and Governor Moses voting aye.

The Secretary was instructed to notify President Scott of the Dickinson State Teachers College that Mr. Orlady will appear on the program on conservation to be held at the College on June 21.

The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Thos. Hutchinson, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Valley City, advising him that the Commission has no funds with which to pay for space at the Winter Show and that we were under the impression that this space was donated.

Meeting recessed at 12:00 noon to reconvene at 1:30 P.M.

Meeting reconvened at 1:35 P.M. Governor Moses, all Commissioners, Mr. J. J. Walsh and Mr. Einar Berge present. Mr. Kenneth C. Lauster, Acting Director, Department of State Sanitary Engineering, came into the meeting at 1:35 P.M.

Discussion on stream pollution by Mr. Lauster. Governor Moses is to appoint somebody to attend a conference in Grand Forks with the officials of the North Dakota and Minnesota Health Departments and the Minnesota Department of Conservation. Meeting to be held in Grand Forks some time in May. Mr. Lauster left the meeting at 1:55 P.M.

Mr. Milton K. Higgins came into the meeting at 1:55 P.M. Discussion on the Wachter Matter.

Governor Moses left the meeting at 2:45 P.M.

Mr. Orr, Bookkeeper, came into the meeting at 3 P.M. Comm. Dahl moved that we pay the face of the note issued to purchase the Bullam Land in the amount of \$2100 plus the interest. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Dahl, Thompson, Orlady and Simons voting aye.

The report on the Grantier Project is to be considered at the next meeting of the Commission at which time Mr. Louis Grantier may be able to attend.

The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Fredrickson and ask him to send us a copy of any report he makes to the Governor or any other person in the state.

Commissioner Orlady moved that out of state travel be authorized by the Governor for Mr. Walsh to attend the meeting of the Engineering Sub-Committee of the Missouri River States Committee in Washington on May 2 and also the meeting of the Sub-Committee to be held in Omaha on May 15 or 22. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Dahl, Thompson, Orlady and Simons voting aye.

Commissioner Orlady left the meeting at 3:25 P.M. Governor Moses came into the meeting at 3:30 P.M.

Commissioner Simons moved that we defer action on the motion that was made at the March 1st meeting re the Wachter Matter for the purpose of having a conference with the Attorney General and such other persons as may seem advisable to consult and also the Commission's Attorney, Mr. Higgins. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Dahl, Thompson, Simons and Governor Moses voting aye. Commissioner Orlady absent.

Governor Moses is to appoint two members of the Yellowstone River Compact to attend a meeting of the Compact to be held in the near future. (Mr. Whitney and Mr. Simons).

The Secretary was instructed to send back the drawings sent to Commissioner Simons by Lt. Tucker relative to a drawing by Mr. Bearnse of the proposed Missouri River Development, and advise Lt. Tucker that no action was taken on said drawing at this time.

Letter from Governor Sharpe to Bureau of Reclamation re Missouri River Development read by Commissioner Simons and placed on file.

Assistance should be given in the repair of the Epping Dam in Williams County.

Resolutions of the Walton Isaak League were read by Commissioner Thompson and placed on file.

Commissioner Simons moved that we contribute \$100 to the Missouri River States Committee for stationery, postage and other incidental expenses. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioner Dahl, Thompson, Simons and Governor Moses voting aye.

Governor Moses left the meeting at 4:20 P.M. Mr. Lauster came into the meeting at 4:20 P.M. Discussion by Mr. Lauster on Post-War Plans.

Comm. Dahl moved that we adjourn at 4:35 P.M. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary

ATTEST: 
Chairman

**NORTH DAKOTA WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF FEB. 29, 1944**

No.	Appropriation for	1943-44 Appropriation			Balance in Fund	Apportioned Monthly
		Balance, Available 7-1-43	Jul-Jan. Expenses 1943-44	February Expense		
1	Commissioners Per Diem	3,000.00	731.00	7.00	2,262.00	166.66
2	Administration Refunds and collections added	20,775.00 2,643.32	5,979.45	420.65	17,018.22	1,154.16
3	Maintenance Existing Dams	7,500.00	3,430.36	225.00	3,844.64	
4	Tri-State Waters and Portion of Administration and Conference Expenses	5,625.00	1,826.00	206.42	3,592.58	312.50
5	International and Interstate Compacts; Commissioner and Conference Expenses	9,375.00	1,615.18	7.61	7,752.21	520.83
6	Topographic and Conservation Branches in Cooperation with U.S. on 50-50 basis	15,000.00	4,342.26	2,663.02	5,994.72	833.33
7	Hydrographic Surveys	6,000.00	1,967.88	644.02	3,388.10	333.33
8	State Engineer's Salary	3,300.00	1,283.31	183.33	1,833.36	183.33
9	Secure Amendment to Ft. Peck Dam law to release Waters for Missouri and Souris Diversion	2,500.00	600.00	100.00	1,800.00	104.16
10	Promote Maintenance of Drainage and to Construct Channels	50,000.00	3,653.72	Nil	46,346.28	
11-a	Post War Projects - 50-50 basis with U.S. Departments	164,534.59	3,428.40	1,368.76	159,737.43	
11-b	Other Post-war projects	100,000.00	11,911.18	2,383.19	85,705.63	
12	Construction Bond Surantee Fund	72,420.00	Nil	Nil	72,420.00	
		462,672.91	40,768.74	10,209.00	411,695.17	

NORTH DAKOTA WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
BALANCES OF PRIOR FUNDS RECOVERED BY OPINION
OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, AS OF FEB. 29, 1944
WITH OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS, FUNDS, ETC.

No.	Year	Appropriation	Balance 7-1-43	July - Jan. Expense	February Expense	Balance 2-29-44
1	1939	Commissioners Per Diem	1,757.00	Nil	Nil	1,757.00
4	1939	Lewis and Clark Experimental Farm	251.83	142.07	Nil	109.76
5	1939	Sponsor's Share Dam Repair Plus warrants canceled and deposited	2,142.76 100.05	154.73	Nil	2,088.08
6	1939	Engineering and Soil Survey	180.00	Nil	Nil	180.00
7	1939	Missouri River Diversion and Reports,	300.00	Nil	Nil	300.00
8	1939	Goose River Diversion	125.00	Nil	Nil	125.00
9	1939	James River and Lake Traverse Diversion	751.20	Nil	Nil	751 .20
10	1939	Missouri River Diversion	2,000.00	Nil	Nil	2,000.00
11	1939	Evaluation Economic Benefits	700.00	212.00	Nil	488.00
12	1939	Reports and Conferences, Congressional Agencies	272.07	Nil	Nil	272.07
13	1939	Tri-State Waters, Commission Cooperation	854.37	157.50	Nil	696.87
14	1939	Independent Investigations and Reports	526.12	213.22	Nil	312.90
1	1941	Commissioner Per Diem	500.00	105.00	Nil	395.00
4	1941	Maintenance Existing Dams	1,241.18	1,086.45	Nil	154.73
12	1941	Tri-State Waters - Adm. Conferences	153.80	103.39	Nil	50.41
15	1941	Topographic Surveys	357.63	357.50	Nil	.13
16	1941	Cooperation Obtaining Waters	91.63	91.63	Nil	Nil
18	1941	State Engineer's Salary	183.37	183.37	Nil	Nil
19	1941	Hydrographic Surveys	69.80	48.80	Nil	21.00
		Other Funds, Bank of N.D. Deposits, etc:				
		Contributions-Hebron, Jung, Apple, Creeks Dams	5,150.00	4,773.03	Nil	376.97
		Contributions-Elgin and Larson Dams repair	1,000.00	Nil	500.00	500.00
		Fire Indemnity - Lewis and Clark Dist. No. 1	592.16	592.16	Nil	Nil
		Dullam land a/c bal. \$102.12 + rental paid \$100	202.12	Nil	Nil	202.12
			19,502.09	8,220.85	500.00	10,781.24

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMM.
BALANCES OF PRIOR FUNDS RECOVERED BY OPINION
OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, AS OF MARCH 31, 1944,
WITH OTHER CONTRIBUTION FUNDS, ETC.

No.	Year	Appropriation	Balance 7-1-43	July-Feb. Expense	March Expense	Balance 3-31-44
1	1939	Commissioners Per Dien	1,757.00	Nil	Nil	1,757.00
4	1939	Lewis and Clark Experimental Farm	251.83	142.07	Nil	109.76
5	1939	Sponsor's Share Dam Repair Plus warrants canceled and deposited	2,142.76 100.05	154.73	Nil	2,088.08
6	1939	Engineering and Soil Survey	180.00	Nil	Nil	180.00
7	1939	Missouri River Diversion and Reports	300.00	Nil	Nil	300.00
8	1939	Goose River Diversion	125.00	Nil	Nil	125.00
9	1939	James River and Lake Traverse Diversion	751.20	Nil	Nil	751.20
10	1939	Missouri River Diversion	2,000.00	Nil	Nil	2,000.00
11	1939	Evaluation Economic Benefits	700.00	212.00	Nil	488.00
12	1939	Reports and Conferences, Congressional Agencies	272.07	Nil	Nil	272.07
13	1939	Tri-State Waters, Commission Cooperation	854.37	157.50	Nil	696.87
14	1939	Independent Investigations and Reports	526.12	213.22	Nil	312.90
1	1941	Commissioners Per Dien	500.00	105.00	Nil	395.00
4	1941	Maintenance Existing Dams	1,241.18	1,086.45	Nil	154.73
12	1941	Tri-State Waters - Adm. Conferences	153.80	103.39	Nil	50.41
15	1941	Topographic Surveys	357.63	357.50	Nil	.13
16	1941	Cooperation Obtaining Waters	91.63	91.63	Nil	Nil
18	1941	State Engineer's Salary	183.37	183.37	Nil	Nil
19	1941	Hydrographic Surveys	69.80	48.80	Nil	21.00
		Other Funds, Bank of N.D. Deposits, etc.:				
		Contributions - Hebron, Jung, Apple Creek Dams	5,150.00	4,773.03	Nil	376.97
		Contributions - Elgin and Larson Dams Repair	1,000.00	500.00	Nil	500.00
		Fire Indemnity - Lewis and Clark Dist No. 1	592.16	592.16	Nil	Nil
		Dullam Land a/c bal. \$102.4 Rental collected \$100.	202.12	Nil	Nil	202.12
			19,502.09	8,720.85	Nil	10,781.94

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION-
MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF MARCH 31, 1944
1943-1945 Appropriation

No.	Appropriation for	Balance Available 7-1-43	Jul.-Feb. Expenses 1943-44	March Expense 1944	Balance in Fund	Apportioned Monthly
1	Commissioners Per Diem	3,000.00	738.00	147.00	2,115.00	166.66
2	Administration Refunds and collections added	20,775.00 2,863.32	6,400.10	359.27	16,878.95	1,154.16
3	Maintenance Existing Dams	7,500.00	3,655.36	Nil	3,844.64	
4	Tri-State Waters and Portion of Administration and Conference Expenses	5,625.00	2,032.42	207.50	3,385.08	312.50
5	International and Interstate Compacts Commissioner and Conference Expenses	9,375.00	1,622.79	834.78	6,917.43	520.83
6	Topographic and Conservation Branches in Cooperation with U.S. on 50-50 basis	15,000.00	7,005.28	3,105.05	4,889.67	833.33
7	Hydrographic Surveys	6,000.00	2,611.90	222.41	3,165.69	333.33
8	State Engineer's Salary	3,300.00	1,466.64	183.33	1,650.03	183.33
9	Secure Amendment to Ft. Peck Dam law to release waters for Mo. and Souris Diversions	2,500.00	700.00	Nil	1,800.00	104.16
10	Promote Maintenance of Drainage and to Construct Channels	50,000.00	3,653.72	Nil	46,346.28	
11a	Post-war projects 50-50 with U.S. Depart.	164,534.59	4,797.16	2,130.58	157,606.85	
11b	Other Post-War Projects	100,000.00	14,294.37	2,377.69	83,327.94	
12	Construction Bond Guarantee Fund	72,420.00	Nil	Nil	72,420.00	
		462,892.91	48,977.74	9,567.61	404,347.56	