

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Held in the Office of the State Water Conservation Commission, Bismarck,
North Dakota, June 19, 1946.

A meeting of the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission was held in the Office of the Water Commission on June 19, 1946. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Kenneth W. Simons at 9:45 A.M. Commissioners Simons, Orlady, Thompson and Dahl; J. J. Walsh, C. A. Haskin of Soil Conservation Service; and a delegation from Cass County consisting of D. B. Spalding, Cass County Engineer, W. F. Sutton, Hunter; E. L. Ecklund, Harwood; Mr. Späckermeier, Sheldon; and Ingvoll Sandeck of Kindred were present. Governor Aandahl absent.

Commissioner Orlady moved that the April and May Financial Statements be approved. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Thompson moved that the April 9 minutes be approved. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Spalding, Cass County Engineer, discussed the matter of drainage funds in Cass County. They are about \$300.00 short now and with the contracts that are let, they will be short about \$15,000.

Commissioner Orlady moved that the voucher in the amount of \$231.67 for Drain No. 27 in Cass County be paid providing Mr. Spalding submits a detailed statement to Mr. Walsh of the items which are covered by this voucher. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Haskin stated that Cass County can use about \$40,000 by July 1, 1947. Cass County Delegation left the meeting at 10:30. Cass County Drainage Board Delegation, consisting of Manfred Ohnstad, attorney, West Fargo; A. G. Storstad, Horace; Wm. Vietch, Argusville; and Gunnard E. Nelson, Fargo, came into the meeting at 10:30. Mr. Ohnstad, attorney for the Drainage Board, discussed the drainage situation. Cass County Drainage Board Delegation left the meeting at 10:55.

Governor Aandahl came into the meeting at 11 A.M.

Richland County Delegation consisting of Fred Kingdon, Wahpeton; Art Gunness, Abercrombie, and A. B. Linford, Wahpeton, S.C.S., came into the meeting at 11:05. Mr. Linford discussed the Richland County Drainage situation. Richland County Delegation left the meeting at 11:45.

Both Cass and Richland County Delegations were advised that no reallocation of drainage funds would be made until after July 1, 1946, after reports have come in from the counties which were allocated 80% of the appropriation, stating whether or not they are going to use their allocations.

The matter of the Demonstration Farm is left up to the Bureau of Reclamation. No action taken by the Water Commission.

Governor read letter from General Pick of June 14 re the Garrison Dam. No action taken.

Commissioner Orlady moved that we pay the increase in the price of the tractor and bulldozer providing the Attorney General's opinion is favorable. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Simons, Orlady, Dahl, and Thompson, and Governor voting aye. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed at 12:30 P.M. Meeting called to order at 1:35 by Vice Chairman Simons. All Commissioners; J. J. Walsh present. Governor absent. Mr. A. H. Johnson of the U.S.G.S. came into the meeting and also E. H. Berge. Mr. Laird, State Geologist, came into the meeting at 1:45 P.M.

Discussion on Yellowstone, Cartwright and Grand River Projects. Call attention of Bureau to Yellowstone and Cartwright projects.

Discussion on Bureau Monthly Reports. Progress reports should be submitted by the Bureau on the various projects.

Mr. Laird distributed copies of the report on ground water investigation in the Fargo-Moorhead Area. Discussion and explanation by Mr. Laird of the report.

Mark Connolly of the G.N.D.A. came into the meeting at 1:55. Mr. Robert L. Bard, Tri-State Waters Commission and G. E. Lyon, U. S. Army Engineer Office in St. Paul and George Moses, AP man, came into the meeting at 2 P.M. George Moses left the meeting at 2:05. Mr. Laird and Mr. Johnson left the meeting at 2:15.

Mr. Lyon discussed the Red River Basin problems: Park River and Grafton; Baldhill.

Mr. Bard and Mr. Lyon left the meeting at 2:50 P.M.

Mirror Lake Dam in Hettinger discussed. No contribution to be made to this project as it is for beautifying a park and not for the repair of the dam.

Letter with reference to the Bottineau County Road Problem read by Commissioner Simons. No action taken.

Resolution re proposed State Legislation read by Commissioner Simons.

Letter from W. W. McLaughlin with reference to the Resolution which was sent to him was read by Commissioner Simons.

Letter from Mr. Fredrickson re Heart River read by Commissioner Simons.

Letter from Lt. General Wheeler with reference to the report on the Missouri River at Bismarck was read. No action to be taken on this matter as the City of Bismarck did not wish to participate in the project.

The Secretary is to advise Mr. Leland the percentage the State Water Commission is permitted to contribute in making topographic surveys.

The Sioux Irrigation District Repair Report was presented to the Commissioners.

Governor Aandahl came into the meeting at 3:30. Judge Christianson came into the meeting at 3:40.

The Jacobson situation on the Sioux Irrigation Project was discussed by Judge Christianson. Commissioner Simons moved that Commissioner Dahl be appointed to work with Judge Christianson and the Attorney General in the making of an investigation and making a report with reference to this matter. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Judge Christianson left the meeting at 3:55.

The Commissioner went into executive session to discuss Mr. Tucker's resignation and appointment of a new Secretary and Chief Engineer.

Commissioner Simons moved that the resignation of John T. Tucker, as Secretary and Chief Engineer of the State Water Conservation Commission be accepted. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Orlady moved that the vacancy caused by the resignation of Secretary John T. Tucker be filled by Mr. J. J. Walsh at a salary of \$325.00 per month. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Commissioners Dahl, Simons, Orlady and Thompson and Governor voting aye. Motion carried.

Letter from Mr. Fredrickson re Bureau of Reclamation Appropriation read by Governor Aandahl.

A. J. Dexter of the Northern Pacific Railway and Mark Connolly of the G.N.D.A. came into the meeting at 4:25. Mr. Dexter discussed the Heart River Irrigation Project.

Governor left the meeting at 4:45. Mr. Dexter left the meeting at 5:05.

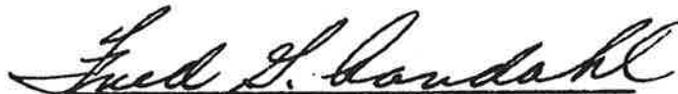
Discussion by Mr. Walsh of the Lake Irvine Drainage situation in Ramsey County.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary

ATTEST:


Chairman

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 30, 1946
1945-1947 Appropriations

Appropriation for	Available Funds '45	Expenses Jul.-May	Expenses June '46	Balance 6-30-46
1. Commissioners Per Diem and Expenses	4,000.00	931.00	28.00	3,041.00
2 Administration	25,000.00			
Refunds and collections added	2,903.80	6,554.42	793.46	20,555.92
3 Maintenance Existing Dams	45,000.00	2,125.70	1,894.77	40,979.53
4 Tri-State Waters and Portion of Administration and Conference Expenses	5,500.00	2,196.99	197.50	3,105.51
5 International and Interstate Compacts, Commissioner and Conference Expenses.	5,000.00	3,283.71	37.85	1,678.44
6 Topographic and Conservation Branches, in coop. with U. S. Geol. Survey 50-50	30,000.00	6,974.01	Nil	23,025.99
7 Hydrographic Surveys, coop. with U. S. Geol. Survey .	15,000.00	6,496.22	1,003.78	7,500.00
8 State Engineer's Salary	5,000.00	2,291.63	208.33	2,500.04
9 Reconstruction Drains, or Irrigation	240,000.00			
Plus refund	59.56	61,527.93	1,550.49	176,981.14
10 Underground Waters, coop. with U. S. Geol. Survey . .	25,000.00	284.41	300.00	24,415.59
11 Post-war Projects, coop. with U. S. Departments . . .	100,000.00	Nil	Nil	100,000.00
12 Other Investigations, Surveys, etc.	75,000.00	44,081.46	4,613.43	26,305.11
13 Construction Bond Guarantee Fund Balance.	70,541.00	Nil	Nil	70,541.00
	<u>648,004.36</u>	<u>136,747.48</u>	<u>10,627.61</u>	<u>500,629.27</u>

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
BALANCES PRIOR FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 1946
1943-1945 Appropriations

Appropriations for		Balances July '46	Expended to June	Expended June '46	Balance Funds
1 - '43	Commissioners Per Diem	1,617.00	91.00	Nil.	1,526.00
2 - '43	Administration Fund, refunds and collections	15,849.09	10,955.33	Nil.	4,893.76
3 - '43	Maintenance Existing Dams.	3,377.20			
	Plus refund	500.00	3,814.53	Nil.	62.67
4 - '43	Tri-State Waters, portion of conference expenses . . .	1,955.30	100.54	Nil.	1,854.76
5 - '43	Internl. & Interstate compacts, conference expenses . .	4,586.99	114.83	Nil.	4,472.16
7 - '43	Hydrographic Surveys, coop. with U. S. Geol. Survey . .	7.48	4.87	Nil.	2.61
9 - '43	Secure Amendment Ft. Peck law, to release waters	400.00	300.00	Nil.	100.00
10 - '43	Promote Maintenance Drainage, construct channels	15,413.11			
	Plus refund	98.88	14,811.24	654.78	45.97
11a-'43	Postwar Projects, 50-50 with U. S. Departments	130,269.91	99,915.85	4,321.50	26,032.56
11b-'43	Other Postwar Projects	11,591.61	9,322.08	Nil.	2,269.53
		<u>185,666.57</u>	<u>139,430.27</u>	<u>4,976.28</u>	<u>41,260.02</u>

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
BALANCES OF PRIOR FUNDS RECOVERED BY OPINION
OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, as of June 30, 1946

No.	Appropriations for	Balance 7-1-45	Paid Out	Balance 6-30-46	Yearly Balance
1 - '39	Commissioners Per Diem	1,757.00	Nil.	1,757.00	
4 - '39	Lewis & Clark Experimental Farm.	109.76	Nil.	109.76	
5 - '39	Sponsor's share Dam Repairs.	2,088.08	Nil.	2,088.08	
6 - '39	Engineering and Soil Survey	180.00	Nil.	180.00	
7 - '39	Missouri River Diversion and Reports	300.00	Nil.	300.00	
8 - '39	Goose River Diversion	125.00	Nil.	125.00	
9 - '39	James River & Lake Traverse Diversions	751.20	Nil.	751.20	
10 - '39	Missouri River Diversion	2,000.00	Nil.	2,000.00	
11 - '39	Evaluation Economic Benefits	488.00	Nil.	488.00	
12 - '39	Reports, Conferences, Congress agencies.	272.07	Nil.	272.07	
13 - '39	Tri-State Waters, Commission Cooperation	696.87	48.17	648.70	
14 - '39	Independent Investigations and Reports	312.90	Nil.	312.90	9,032.71
1 - '41	Commissioners Per Diem	395.00	Nil.	395.00	
4 - '41	Maintenance Existing Dams, plus \$51. ret'd.	53.86	Nil.	53.86	
12 - '41	Tri-State Waters, Administration conferences	8.61	Nil.	8.61	
15 - '41	Topographic Surveys13	Nil.	.13	457.60
OTHER FUNDS - Bank of N. D. Deposit:					
	Bal. contributions Hebron, Jung, Apple Creek Dams	376.97	Nil.	376.97	376.97
		<u>9,915.45</u>	<u>48.17</u>	<u>9,867.23</u>	<u>9,867.23</u>
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