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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Held in the office of the State Water Conservation Commission  
Bismarck, North Dakota, September 18, 1947

A meeting of the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission was held in the office of the Water Conservation Commission in the State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on September 18, 1947, with the following individuals present:

State Water Commission

Honorable Fred G. Aandahl — Governor & Ex Officio Chairman  
Kenneth W. Simons — Vice Chairman  
Sivert W. Thompson — Commissioner from Devils Lake  
Einar H. Dahl — Commissioner from Watford City  
J. J. Walsh — Secretary and Chief Engineer  
Einar Berge — Publicity Manager

The meeting was called to order by Governor Fred G. Aandahl at 2:00 p.m., with the above mentioned members of the State Water Conservation Commission present.

Governor Aandahl requested that all members of the Commission attend the meetings and hearings of the Congressional delegation of the sub-committee of the Department of the Interior.

After some discussion, Governor Aandahl left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

The minutes of the August 14 and August 22 meetings were presented for approval. Commissioner Thompson moved their adoption, and Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Simons was assigned to go over the financial statements and report to the Commission.

Commissioner Thompson called the attention of the other Commissioners to a new dam to be constructed near Woodworth, for which the Jamestown people were seeking some assistance. It was suggested that Secretary Walsh take up the matter with Commissioner Lowe of the State Game and Fish Department to find out whether the project is feasible or not, and report at the next meeting.

In regard to the 16th Annual Convention of the Nat'l Reclamation Ass'n meeting at Phoenix, Arizona, on October 29, 30, and 31, Commissioner Simons suggested that the matter be left to Governor Aandahl for the appointment of delegates from North Dakota to represent the Commission at the Association's meeting.

Commissioner Thompson reported on the meetings held in Grand Forks to discuss the plan for control and regulation of the Red River and its tributaries, as presented by Col. Wilson of the U. S. Corps of Army Engineers, St. Paul. Commissioner Thompson explained the plan as proposed.

Members of the Commission present, discussed the Baldhill Reservoir, and were very much pleased with the report of progress that is being made by Col Wilson and his staff.

The Commission discussed the activities of the work that had been carried on, including maintenance of dams, engineering surveys, ground water investigations and work of the Bureau of Reclamation.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Secretary

ATTEST:

  
Chairman

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
 MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOUNTS, AS OF SEPT. 30, 1947  
 1947-1949 Appropriations

| No.  | Appropriation for   | Available<br>July 1947 | Expended<br>To Aug. 31 | Expended<br>Sept. | Balance<br>9-30-47 |
|------|---|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1    | Commissioners Per Diem and Expenses, . . . . .  | 4,000.00               | Nil.                   | 342.61            | 3,657.39           |
| 2    | Administration, . . . . .<br>Plus refunds and collections, . . . . .                  | 30,000.00<br>1,389.70  | 2,085.82               | 851.30            | 28,452.58          |
| 3    | Maintenance Existing Dams, . . . . .<br>Plus refunds and donations on dam repairs, .  | 45,000.00<br>1,670.42  | 3,464.13               | 1,591.85          | 41,614.44          |
| 4    | Tri-State Waters and Portion of<br>Administration and Conference Expenses, . .        | 1,000.00               | 57.50                  | Nil.              | 942.50             |
| 5    | International and Interstate Compacts,<br>Commissioner and Conference Expenses, . . . | 10,000.00              | 15.00                  | 141.17            | 9,843.83           |
| 6    | Topographic and Conservation Branches,<br>Coop. with U. Geological Survey, . . . . .  | 30,000.00              | Nil.                   | Nil.              | 30,000.00          |
| 7    | Hydrographic Surveys, coop. with U.S.Geol.Surv.                                       | 20,000.00              | Nil.                   | 941.36            | 19,058.64          |
| 8    | State Engineer's Salary, . . . . .  | 5,400.00               | 450.00                 | 225.00            | 4,725.00           |
| 9    | Reconstruction Drains, or Irrigation, . . . . .                                       | 200,000.00             | Nil.                   | Nil.              | 200,000.00         |
| 10   | Underground Waters, coop. with U.S.Geol.Survey,                                       | 30,000.00              | Nil.                   | Nil.              | 30,000.00          |
| 11   | Postwar Projects, coop. with U. S. Departments,                                       | 135,000.00             | Nil.                   | Nil.              | 135,000.00         |
| 12   | Other Investigations, Surveys, etc. . . . .   | 90,000.00              | 4,391.45               | 2,030.33          | 83,578.22          |
| 13   | Construction Bond Guaranty Fund, . . . . .  | 70,541.00              | Nil.                   | Nil.              | 70,541.00          |
| FGO- |   | <u>674,001.12</u>      | <u>10,463.90</u>       | <u>6,123.62</u>   | <u>657,413.60</u>  |

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

| No.  | Appropriations for  | Available<br>July 145 | Expended<br>To Sep. 30 | Balance<br>9-30-47   |
|------|---|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1    | Commissioners Per Diem and Expenses, . . . . .  | 4,000.00              | 3,632.02               | 367.98               |
| 2    | Administration, . . . . .   | 25,000.00             |                        |                      |
|      | Plus refunds and collections, . . . . .   | 4,847.79              | 29,140.50              | 707.29               |
| 3    | Maintenance Existing Dams, . . . . .  | 45,000.00             |                        |                      |
|      | Plus refunds and donations on dam repairs, . . . . .                                      | 5,849.54              | 30,978.78              | 19,880.76            |
| 4    | Tri-State Waters and Portion of<br>Administration and Conference Expenses, . . . . .      | 5,500.00              | 5,216.77               | 283.23               |
| 5    | International and Interstate Compacts,<br>Commissioner and Conference Expenses, . . . . . | 5,000.00              | 4,674.68               | 325.32               |
| 6    | Topographic and Conservation Branches,<br>Coop. with U. S. Geological Survey, . . . . .   | 30,000.00             | 30,000.00              | Nil.                 |
| 7    | Hydrographic Surveys, coop. with U. S. Geological Survey, . . . . .                       | 15,000.00             | 15,000.00              | Nil.                 |
| 8    | State Engineer's Salary, . . . . .  | 5,000.00              | 5,000.00               | Nil.                 |
| 9    | Reconstruction Drains, or Irrigation, . . . . .   | 240,000.00            |                        |                      |
|      | Plus refund, . . . . .  | 59.56                 | 152,969.19             | 87,090.37            |
| 10   | Underground Waters, coop. with U. S. Geological Survey, . . . . .                         | 25,000.00             | 14,431.07              | <del>10,568.93</del> |
| 11   | Postwar Projects, coop. with U. S. Departments, . . . . .                                 | 100,000.00            | 41,483.58              | 58,516.42            |
| 12   | Other Investigations, Surveys, etc. . . . .   | 75,000.00             | 74,996.47              | 3.53                 |
| 13   | Construction Bond Guarantee Fund, . . . . .   | <u>70,541.00</u>      | <u>Nil.</u>            | <u>70,541.00</u>     |
| FGO- |   | <u>655,797.89</u>     | <u>403,877.19</u>      | <u>251,920.70</u>    |

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
BALANCES OF PRIOR FUNDS RECOVERED BY OPINION OF  
ATTORNEY GENERAL - AS OF SEP. 30, 1947

| No. - Yr. | Appropriation for                               | Balance<br>7-1-45 | Paid<br>Out  | Balance<br>9-30-47 | Yearly<br>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 and 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 \$51.00 refund, | 53.86             | Nil.         | 53.86              |                   |
| 12 - '41  | Tri-State Waters, Administration Conferences,   | 8.61              | Nil.         | 8.61               |                   |
| 15 - '41  | Topographic Surveys, . . . . .                  | <u>.13</u>        | <u>Nil.</u>  | <u>.13</u>         | <u>418.60</u>     |
| FGO-      |   | <u>9,538.48</u>   | <u>48.17</u> | <u>9,400.31</u>    | <u>9,400.31</u>   |

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DEPOSITS IN THE BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1947

| Contributions   | Transit # | Deposited | Expended<br>To August | Expended<br>Sept. 1947 | Balance         |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Yellowstone Pumping Irr. Dist. Paid accrued<br>int. on \$3,500. advance to 10-1-44              | 501-118   | 366.36    | Nil.                  | Nil.                   |                 |
| Tax levy collections to March, 1947   | 501-118   | 499.53    | Nil.                  | Nil.                   | \$ 865.89       |
| Special Coop. Groundwater contributions by Fargo,<br>Cass County and Water Comm., each \$2,500. | 501-119   | 7,500.00  | 4,809.57              | Nil.                   | 2,690.43        |
| Contributions Groundwater Surveys: Fessenden \$1000.<br>Mountain \$100. and Maddock \$750.      | 501-126   | 1,850.00  | 10.44                 | Nil.                   | 1,839.56        |
| Total of all Bank of North Dakota deposits as of Sept. 30, 1947                                 |           |           |                       |                        | <u>5,395.88</u> |

(Except Series J Bonds Sinking Funds balance 9\*30-47 \$ 45,988.26,  
and \$19,459.00 Bond Guaranty Fund with Sioux Irr. Dist. bonds,  
\$25,000. as additional collateral, on which Jacobson lands  
assessments are delinquent and land sale pending.)

PAYROLL OF  
NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
As of Sept. 30, 1947

| Employee               | Duties              | Monthly         | Tax   | OASIS | Net    | Remarks                                 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|---|
| Walsh, J. J.           | Secy.- State Engin. | 400.00          | 47.80 | 2.50  | 349.70 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Anderson, Albin S.     | Engineer            | 225.00          | 14.90 | 2.25  | 207.85 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Berge, Einar           | Tech. Assistant     | 75.00           | Nil.  | .75   | 74.25  | Increased from \$50.                    |
| Burton, Winfred C.     | Engineer            | 260.00          | 12.80 | 2.50  | 244.70 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Carey, Thomas J.       | Draftsman           | 80.00           | 9.55  | .80   | 69.65  | Works $\frac{1}{2}$ da.-attend college. |
| Dodd, Harold E.        | Engineer            | 225.00          | 22.80 | 2.25  | 199.95 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Gillette, Geraldine L. | Stenographer        | 135.00          | 15.00 | 1.35  | 118.65 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Harrington, Fred L.    | V. Garden Worker    | 140.00          | Nil.  | Nil.  | 140.00 | Quit Sept. 20, 1947                     |
| Liebelt, Beuhl E.      | Rodman              | 140.00          | 15.70 | 1.40  | 122.90 | Started work Sept. 29.                  |
| Nichols, Don L.        | Engineer- A. Secy.  | 325.00          | 49.10 | 2.50  | 273.40 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Orr, F. G.             | Bookkeeper          | 275.00          | 31.40 | 2.50  | 241.10 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Peterson, Winifred     | Stenographer        | 135.00          | 17.00 | 1.55  | 126.65 | Increased June 1947                     |
| Putz, Roy              | Rodman              | 135.00          | 15.40 | 1.35  | 118.65 | Started work Sept. 25                   |
| Schmitcke, Otto        | Dam repairs         | 200.00          | Nil.  | 2.00  | 198.00 | Also garden foreman.                    |
| Torvik, Duane A.       | Draftsman, etc.     | 200.00          | Nil.  | 2.00  | 180.00 | Increased June, 1947                    |
| Sheldon, Marvin        | Engineer            | <u>220.00</u>   | 29.40 | 2.20  | 188.40 | New Sept. 1947                          |
| FGO-                   |                     | <u>3,180.00</u> |       |       |        |   |