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LAKE KAMPESKA WATER PROJECT DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2012

The Board of Directors of the Lake Kampeska Water Project District met in the conference room at the Terry Redlin Environmental Center in Watertown, South Dakota at 12:15 on August 24, 2012 pursuant to the agenda posted on the door of the Upper Big Sioux River Watershed Project, the posting box at Watertown City Hall, and the District's website on August 22, 2012. Present were directors Paul Hinderaker, Brad Johnson, Mark Roby, John Wiles, Greg Blow and Sarah Caron. Also present were Ron Shimitz, Hon. Robert L. Timm, John Little and Ronda Roby.

Chairman Paul Hinderaker called the meeting to order at 12:15.

Brad Johnson moved approval of the July 31, 2012 board meeting minutes. The motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The board and staff welcomed new board member Ron Shimitz. Shimitz had been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Charles Sherman. Judge Timm administered the oath of office to Shimitz and all other board members.

Ron Shimitz described the plan to drain, dredge and construct concrete sea walls along the shore line of the Hidden Valley channel. Work is expected to begin and to be completed in the month of September. The total project cost is approximately \$230,000.00. Shimitz asked whether the project fell within the mission of the Lake Kampeska Water Project District and whether the board would contribute to the project cost. Following extensive discussion Brad Johnson moved adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake Kampeska Water Project District contribute a sum, not to exceed 90% of the cost or \$25,000.00, whichever is less, to install a cofferdam and silt fence in the Hidden Valley Project. The purpose of the district participation is to prevent sediment from entering the larger portion of Lake Kampeska, and no part of the contribution shall be used for any construction of sea walls or dredging.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the board chairman shall be and is hereby authorized to review bills and authorize payment to the appropriate entities.

The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved; director Shimitz abstained. The resolution was declared adopted.

Chairman Hinderaker referred to SDCL 46A-18-36:

The district directors may receive no compensation but shall be entitled to per diem and reimbursement for expenses, including traveling expenses, necessarily incurred in the discharge of their duties. The amount of reimbursement shall be at current state government rates.

The chairman directed, in the absence of objection, that the district pay the cost of a modest meal for board members, staff and guests attending noon meetings.

Greg Blow, John Wiles and Sarah Caron reported on their tour of the water treatment plant and led discussion of the status of the three-year, \$240,000.00 pilot project to refit the plant with equipment to remove phosphorus from lake water. The plan is a novel one, previously untried. If successful it will be a cost effective way to clean up many other lakes in addition to Kampeska.

Brad Johnson reported that the only county in South Dakota to keep track of drainage statistics is Lake County, and 500 miles of drain tile has been laid there since 2009. No one knows how much drain tile has been laid in Codington County or the Upper Big Sioux watershed, but at least 10 center pivot irrigation systems have been set up north of Watertown and another 10 south of Watertown this year. He warned that the State Board of Water and Natural Resources does not have adequate staff to monitor these developments and that no one really knows the likely impact of increased drainage and irrigation on Lake Kampeska and the Big Sioux River.

Mark Roby reported that Jay Gilbertson, manager of the East Dakota Water Development District, is presenting a program to the Rotary Club of Watertown on September 30, and urged board members to attend.

The meeting was duly adjourned.

Ronda Roby
District Secretary - Treasurer