

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON
MARCH 29, 1973

The meeting was called to order by Chairman William Provance, at the Roseau County Court House at 3:00 p.m. Board members present were William Provance, Melvin Larson, Elby Engstrom, Clifford Trangsrud and Albert Lee along with Ray Sauve, Engineer and Executive Secretary Cap. Nelson. Other local interested people attending were Bill Adams, Manfred Holm, and Erling Weiberg of the State Water Resources Board.

The meeting was at the request of Colonel Rodney E. Cox, District Engineer of the U. S. Army Engineer District of St. Paul, Minnesota. Also attending from St. Paul were the following: Roger G. Fast, Chief, Engineering Division, Army Corps of Engineers; Keith D. Larson PH.D. Ecologist, Chief Environmental Resources Branch, Army Corps of Engineers; and Daniel G. Retka, Water Resources Management, Division of Waters, Soils and Minerals, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Colonel Cox gave a report on the progress of the Roseau River Flood Control Project. He stated that he and Mr. Gere met the two Canadian officials Weaver and Weber. He stated that they seemed to be satisfied with the figure which they suggested. The amount of money was not divulged as the agreement was not final and therefore no exact figure could be given. He also stated that he was leaving for Washington D. C. to make his report to the International Joint Commission on the following Tuesday.

Keith D. Larson, the Ecologist commented on Environmentalists reaction to this project. He stated that the Fish and Wildlife people want to hold the same acreage they have today, and for every acre we destroy while constructing the project, an acre somewhere else must be set aside for wildlife. He also stated that students and some professors would be in the field here to study the environmental impact of the project. He stated that he hoped the people would treat them as gentlemen and he was sure this would bear fruit for the backers of the project. These people are under the direction of Mr. Larson.

Chairman Provance thanked the gentlemen for their appearance and the reports. He requested that Colonel Cox keep in touch with the board as to the progress of the project.

Chairman Provance called the business meeting to order after the St. Paul delegation left. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

A motion was made by Clifford Trangsrud and seconded by Melvin Larson to send a copy to Mr. Bergland and also thank him for his fine efforts in behalf of the Roseau River Flood Control Project. Motion carried.

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The Audit report as prepared by E. H. Nelson along with the annual report was read and approved. Motion was made by Elby Engstrom and seconded by Albert Lee.

The Claim of Hagen Insurance in the amount of \$50.00 for bonds was allowed and ordered paid.

Mr. Weiberg of the Water Resources Board pointed out that bonds should be sent to the St. Paul office for filing.

A motion by Clifford Trangsrud, seconded by Albert Lee, that Ray Sauve be contacted in regard to the spraying of ditch 8 and also lowering the culvert by the Don Rose farm.

The next meeting was set for April 12, 1973, at 7:30 p.m. at the Roseau County Court House.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

Signed


Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
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APRIL 12, 1973

The meeting was called to order by Chairman William Provance, at the Roseau County Court House at 7:30 p.m. Board members present were William Provance, Melvin Larson, Elby Engstrom, Clifford Trangsrud, and Albert Lee. Also attending were Ray Sauve, Engineer, and E. H. Nelson, Executive Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with.

The cost factor of WD-3 was reviewed by Ray Sauve and it was decided that a ten per cent increase should be added due to the increase cost. The present cost factor was \$74,984.00. Adding ten per cent would bring the total to \$82,482.00.

It was decided that the hearing could be held on the 22nd or 23rd of May, 1973. The specific date would hinge on the completion of the program for the hearing.

The revised plan as requested by the State Department was reviewed with Mr. Sauve, the engineer, explaining the changes. It was decided to adjourn and reconvene at the Roseau County Highway Engineers office in order to have the plans available for study. This was done and after considerable discussion and some changes noted where the ditches enter the river, a motion made by Melvin Larson and seconded by William Provance, the motion to accept the revised plan was carried.

Signed Clifford Trangsrud
Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary.

R. A. Sauve, Revision of Plans WD-3	\$160.00
Wm. Provance, per diem, no mileage for 4 meetings 9-20-72, 12-7-72, 3-29-73, 4-12-73	40.00
Gustav Kveen, per diem, 1 meeting 9-20-72 & 12 miles	11.20
Melvin Larson, per diem, 4 meetings, plus mileage 160 mi. 9-20-72, 12-7-72, 3-29-73, 4-12-73	56.00
Elby Engstrom, per diem, 3 meetings, plus mileage 300 mi. 12-7-72, 3-29-73, 4-12-73	60.00
Clifford Trangsrud, per diem, 4 meetings plus 160 mi. 9-20-72, 12-7-72, 3-29-73, 4-12-73	56.00
Albert Lee, per diem, 3 meetings plus mileage 90 mi. 12-7-72, 3-29-73, 4-12-73	39.00

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned

Signed Clifford Trangsrud
Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

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JULY 10, 1973

Meeting was called to order by chairman William Provance, at the Court House in the Village of Roseau at 8:00 p.m.

Board members present were William Provance, Elby Engstrom, Melvin Larson, Albert Lee and Clifford Trangsrud. Also present were Chester Yon, attorney, Ray Sauve, Engineer and Cap Nelson, Executive Secretary for the watershed.

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived and the Chairman then declared the public hearing open which had been scheduled for that evening. Proper notice by mail had been given to each property owner affected by the improvement and the publication had been made. The Chairman called on Ray Sauve, the Engineer, on the project to give a detailed account and present the project report and also the plans. After the presentation of the Engineers report, the Chairman then called for testimony from those present as to whether they were for or against the project and to state their reasons. The names of the following are listed in the order in which they testified.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>IN AREA AFFECTED</u>	<u>OUTSIDE AREA AFFECTED</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
John Carlson	Badger Rt. 2		X		X
Vernon Erickson	Badger Rt. 1	X		X	
Manfred Helm	Roseau		X		X
Robert Lee	Badger Rt. 2		X		X
Allen Mickelson	Badger Rt. 2	X			X
Melford Nelson	Badger Rt. 1	X		X	
Don Rinde	Badger Rt. 1	X			X
Geo. Wellen	Badger Rt. 1	X			X
Darrel Lins	Badger Rt. 2		X		X
Floyd Haugen	Badger Rt. 1	X		X	
Lloyd Frosaker	Badger Rt. 1	X		X	
John Nelson	Badger Rt. 1	X		X	
Ken Wierschke	Badger Rt. 1	X		X	
Jalmer Haugen	Badger Rt. 1.	X		X	
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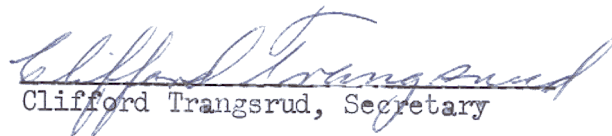
One or two of the votes against the project was made from the standpoint of cost. They felt that the cost was too high. Most of the other objections were made with the feeling that this project should wait until the Roseau River Flood Control Project get under way. They were not against the project itself except they felt it would add more water into the Roseau River making flood conditions worse than they are now. Eliminating the votes cast which were not in the affected area, the total cast would have been ten. Then the vote for and against by the people living in the affected area would have been: for the project 7; Against the project 3. All of the testimony given by the above mentioned persons was tape recorded and will be on file in the office of the Roseau River Watershed District in the custody of E. H. Nelson, the Executive Secretary.

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After the close of the Public Hearing, the business meeting of the Board of Managers was again called to order by Chairman William Provance to study the testimony as given. After considerable time, study and discussion, and the hour being late, a motion was made to adjourn until the next meeting which was set for Wednesday, the 18th of July, 1973. At that time the matter would be taken up again. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON
JULY 18, 1973

Meeting was called to order by Chairman William Provance, at the Roseau County Court House in the Village of Roseau, at 8:00 p.m. Board Members present were William Provance, Melvin Larsen, Elby Engstrom, Albert Lee and Clifford Trangsrud. Also present were Chester Yon, attorney, and Ray Sauve, Engineer.

Motion by Elby Engstrom and seconded by Albert Lee to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The next order of business was the study and evaluation of the WD-3 project. After lengthy discussion and study of the project, a record vote was taken with the following results:

Melvin Larsen:	For the project. He voted	Yes
Clifford Trangsrud:	Stated in his comments that he felt the project should be delayed until the Roseau River Flood Control Project got underway. He voted	No
Albert Lee:	Stated in his comments that he concurred with Mr. Trangsrud. He voted	No
Elby Engstrom:	For the project, voted	Yes
William Provance:	For the project, voted	Yes

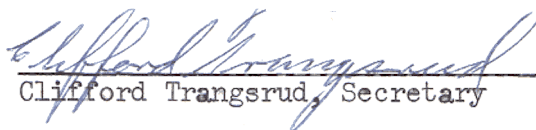
Motion carried by a majority vote

Ray Sauve, the Engineer, was then instructed to prepare the plans and copies for the bidding. Chester Yon was instructed to prepare the necessary material for the publication notices for bids. The bid letting was set for September 5th at 8:00 p.m., in the Roseau County Court House in the Village of Roseau, Minnesota.

Mr. Sauve was also instructed to contact the people along the Roseau River regarding the culverts which empty into the River. This was relative to the necessity of having gate valves on certain culverts. Also to promote good public relations with the farmers in that area and co-ordinate the project with some of their problems if possible.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the date of the hearing, September 5th, 1973, unless otherwise notified.

Respectfully submitted,


Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON
AUGUST 6, 1973

The meeting was called to order by Chairman William Provance at the Court House in the Village of Roseau at 9:00 p.m.

Board members present were William Provance, Elby Engstrom, Melvin Larson, Albert Lee and Clifford Trangsrud. Others present were Cap Nelson, Ray Sauve and Chester Yen.

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived, and Chairman Provance called for a detailed report of the changes made in the WD-3 project. This was given by engineer Sauve. Mr. Sauve stated that all plans were complete and that bids could be called for at any time. The completion date was scheduled for December 1, 1974.

Mr. Provance then called on Chester Yen to read the proposed bid for the WD-3 project. After a few minor changes, a motion was made to call for bids by Elby Engstrom and seconded by Melvin Larson. The record vote was as follows: For the Motion - Lee, Trangsrud, Engstrom and Larson Against - None. Motion carried.


Mr. Yen was instructed to prepare the notice for publication in the local paper and also the contractors Journal.

The following bills were presented for approval and ordered paid.

Roseau County Highway Dept., hauling culvert	\$22.48 ✓
Clayton Beeres. Revising Plan WD-3	32.96 ✓
Ray Sauve. Revising Plan WD-3	360.60 ✓
Roseau Printing Co. Legal Notice WD-3	312.75 ✓

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON
AUGUST 27, 1973

A Special Meeting was called to meet with Congressman Bob Bergland regarding the Roseau River Flood Control Project.

Board members present were Melvin Larson, Clifford Trangsrud, and Albert Lee. Also present were Cap Nelson, Harold Grothem, Gust Kveen, John Reese and Ray Sauve.

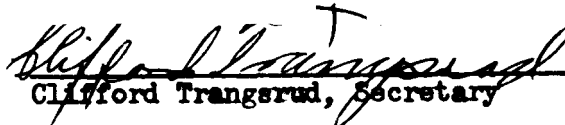
The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Melvin Larson. The first order of business was a request to Bob Bergland to bring us up to date on the Roseau River Flood Control Project. Mr. Bergland stated that they were drafting a letter from Mr. Blatnik to the Canadians requesting action on the project. It seems that the Canadians have not as yet completed their land classification program which would have a bearing on the settlement of the so called mitigating circumstances in Canada. Mr. Bergland was not satisfied with the progress the Canadian Government was making on this matter and it was hoped that something could be done to expedite the matter. Mr. Bergland also indicated that he was going to contact Mr. Blatnik so that the letter to the Canadian Government could be expedited. Bergland also believed that the meeting on the State Department level would be held some time in October.

Members of the Board pointed out the fact that the ditches which have been dug in Canada the past years are responsible for a great deal of the water which enters the Roseau River Flood plain.

A motion by Albert Lee and seconded by Trangsrud that if necessary we have Bill Adams take aerial photos of the border showing the ditches which have been dug leading water into the Roseau River Flood plain. This was to be done if the pictures of the border could not be obtained from the SCS office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON
SEPTEMBER 5, 1973

The meeting was called to order by Chairman William Provance at the Court House in the Village of Roseau at 8:00 p.m.

Board members present were William Provance, Elby Engstrom, Melvin Larson, Albert Lee and Clifford Trangsrud. Others present were Ray Sauve Engineer, E. H. Nelson and Chester Yon.

Reading of the minutes of the last meeting was waived, and Chairman William Provance called for the bids on project #WD-3. The following bids were submitted:

O. K. Machine Co. of Roseau, Mn.	Amount of Bid	\$56,848.29
Cheeny Construction, Greenbush, Mn.	" " "	55,169.07
Stephen Excavation Co., Stephen, Mn.	" " "	57,000.12

All the bids were audited and it was found that an error occurred in the Cheeny Reese bid in the amount of \$1.67 which was corrected bringing the Reese bid down to the amount of \$55,167.40.

Motion made by Melvin Larson and seconded by Elby Engstrom that the low bid of the Cheeny Construction be accepted. A record vote was taken and all members of the board voted for the motion. The contract was then awarded to the Cheeny Construction of Greenbush, Minnesota in the amount of \$55,167.40.

Douglas Erickson made a request for a culvert across ditch #8 Lateral #1 - SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 33-162-40. This matter was tabled until the next meeting. E. H. Nelson was instructed to get more information on this matter.

The question regarding a new board member to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of Melvin Larson's term was discussed. The following names were mentioned: Jim Njaa, Wannaska, Clyde Evans, Malung, and Kurt Woidtke, Roseau, Route 2. It was decided that these be contacted and if they would serve, their names be submitted to the County Board for the appointment of one.

The following bills were presented for approval and allowed:

Peggy Magnusson	Amount	\$16.25 ✓
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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,


Clifford Trangsrud