Minutes of Regular Meeting Jan. 3, 1978

Board members present: Elby Engstrom; James Njaa; Cliff Trangsrud; Howard Degerness; John Lofton.

Others present were: Gust Kveen, Joe Jacobson, Henry Stoe, Albert Lee, Lornie Olson, Darrell Lins, Manfred Holm, and attorney Tom Kees.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by chairman Degerness. The reading of the minutes was postponed as the minutes were at the attornets office. Motion to postpone reading of minutes by James Njaa, second by Elby Engstrom. Carried unanimous.

The annual meeting to reorganize the Board of Managers was held with the following results:

Howard Degerness Chairman

V. Chairman James Njaa

Cliff Trangsrud Sec.

Treas. John Lofton

Elbey Engstrom Mgr.

Motion by Cliff Trangsrud Second by James Njaa to send 1 mil levy to the Lower Red River Water Mgt. Board. Carried unanimous. 1 mil is the equivalent of our total levy divided by three.

Motion by Elbe Engstrom to accept the following checks as our Nov. tax settlement from the respective counties:

Kittson Co.

Beltrami Co.

Marshall Co.

Motion Seconded by James Njaa, Carried unanimous.

When questioned on the matter of liability insurance attorney

Tom Kees stated that the amount of coverage should be to the

extent that it is available at a reasonable premium. Motionby

Elbe Engstrom Second by John Lofton directing the attorneys

to determine to what extent the District should be covered

by liability insurance, and an approximate cost figure for the

expected premium. Carried unanimously.

A report by Mr. Degerness regarding the meeting held with Gov.

Perpich on Dec. 19, 1978, Sen. Moe, Don Ogaard, Sen Hanson, Rep. Kelley, and the Governors assistant revealed that the Corps is not willing to authorize monies to study the DNR proposed alternatives, and Commissioner Nye had stated that if he did not get the required support for a study of the alternatives, by early Feb, He would support the Corps Project Proposal.

Attorney Kees read a proposed resolution of Watershed District support of the investigation of the alternatives, with there being some suggestions that there should be modification made to the proposed resolution to more strongly emphasize the fact that the support being offered was for a study, and that the study would be supported after commencement of the Corps project. Motion by John Lofton second by Cliff Trangsrud to accept the revised resolution. Carried unanimous.

Notice was given of a hearing to be conducted by the Minn. Waters Resources Board regarding the proposed changes in the common Two Rivers and Roseau Watershed Districts boundry to be held the 26th Of Jan., 1978.

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Some discussion was held on the importance of timeliness because of the tight schedule that we were up against in order to complete the local portion of the project.

Motion by Elby Engstrom second by James Njaa to pay the small bills for the month.

Meeting Adjorned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cliff Trangsrud, See'y.



Minutes of the regular meeting held March 7, 1978

Meeting was called to order by chairman Degerness at 7:30 pm Minutes of the Feb. meeting were read and approved as read.

Motion by James Njaa second by John Lofton to accept the appointment of Cap Nelsom to the position of Executive Secretary, replacing Phil Johnson. Carried unanimously.

A letter that was sent to the Governor was read for the benifit of those board members that had not seen it. The letter was an expression of appreciation for the support the Watershed board has recieved from the governor, on the Reseau River Flood Control Project.

Suggestionswere also discussed that letters of appreciation of support be sent to Sen. Marv Hanson, Rep. Arlan Stangland, Sen. Roger Moe, Sen Wendell Andreson, Don Ogaard, and Commissioner Nye of the DNR.

Cap Nelson reviewed the Auditors Report for the year 1977. Motion by John Lofton second by Elbe Engstrom to accept the auditors report and to send a copy to the State Assin. of Watershed Boards.

Attorney Pat Moren reported that securing liability Insurance that included an "omissions and errors" clause was not easily available, although he had been able to locate a company that would write it. Annual premium will be in the area of \$1000 for \$300,000 coverage. He said that as per the Feb. meeting, he went ahead and arranged to bind the insurance.

Attorney Moren went on to report on his findings regarding abstracting of the parcels of land that are damaged or require easements prior to

The viewers had been in contact with the attorneys office and it is apparent that there is some work remaining to be completed in the contributing waters area before the typing of their report can begin. However, the attorney is drawing up a format for the report and will try to come up with some sort of timetable regarding typing of the report to facilitate scheduling.

The Watershed board heard and concurred with the results of the watershed boundry change hearing held in Greenbush. The change affected the common Roseau-Two Rivers boundry.

Motion by Cliff Trangsrud second by James Njaa to accept the contract submitted by Clifford Anderson for the remaining engineering work on the project that the Watershed Board is responsible for.

Motion by John Lofton to pay the following bills:

NW Bell Telephone \$5316

Mgrs and Sec'ys per* deim

Meeting adjourned

Cliff Trangsrud, Sec'y.

(2) APRIL 4,1978

The question of security and room for filing documents was brought to the attention of the board. After discussion a motion by John Lofton seconded by Clifford Trangsrud that another four drawer file cabinet with lock be purchased and the Executive Secretary was instructed to do so.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by John Lofton seconded by Trangsrud were allowed.

N.W. Bell Phone	\$ 17.88
Ray Sauve Engineering	140.00
E.H. Nelson Audit	185.00
Elby Engstrom Per Diem	40.00
Howard Deggerness Per Diem	25.00
James Njaa " "	31.00
Clifford Trangsrdu " "	31.00
John Lofton " "	28.30

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON MAY 2, 1978.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 PM in the office of the Watershed at the City hall.

Board mem bers present were Howard Degerness, James Njaa, Elby Engstrom, Clifford Trangsrud and Johon Lofton. Also present was Ex. Sec'y. Cap Nelson. Minutes of last meeting approved.

Other attending were Mr. & Mrs Manfred Loe and son Stephen, Gene Stotts, Harold Grothem and Curtis Hauger. They appeared regardings matter of drainage between their farms. After considerable discussion and a more detailed explanation and suggestion by Harold Grothem that it would be cheaper financially for them to co-operate and create a drainage program of their own rather than go to the County or Watershed they more or less decided to go this way. Mr. Degerness assured tham that if the Watershed could be of further assistance to them to call and they would give the matter their attention and do what-ever possible within their jurisdiction.

It was noted that the Business Agency Inc., is now in pesi-

tion to write the individual Public Official Bonds under the Association Insurance Plan. The cost being considerably less than the previous cost. The annual cost of the \$1000.00 manager's Bond being \$3.50 each. Treasurer's Bonds will vary with the Bond amount required. A motion by Elby Engstrom and seconded by Cliff Trangsrud that the secretary contact the office regarding the price per \$1000.00 for treasurer and also that arraingements be made so that when the present Bonds expire the renewal will be made with the Busibess Agency Inc., P.O. Box 26362, Minneapolis, Mn, 55426 at the price stated above.

The invoice in the amount of \$387.00 for the General Liability policy from the Roseau Agency was held up pending the appearance of Duff Marshall to further explain the overall picture of this particular. He will appear at the next regular meeting.

Chairman Degerness reported on state of the Roseau River Flood Control Project. He stated that Ering Weiberg had called a Mr. Jonietz who has an office in the Canadian Section in the U.S. State Department. He asked Mr. Jonietz for information on the status of the Roseau River Project. He replied that a draft note with a suggested agreement has been forwarded by the U.S. Government to the Canadian Government and that the U.S. offer was rejected by the Canadian Government. Mr. Weiberg reports that at the present time the U.S. Government is looking into the legality of moving ahead on the contruction of the Roseau River Project unilaterally, that is, by the decision of the U.S. without regard to the position of the Canadian Government. After legal advisors determine it can be done, the next question our government faces is wheter they should proceed without the co-operation of the Canadian Government.

MAY 2, 1978

The Ex. Sec'y was instructed to call the Auditors office and request information as to whether a levy was made on County Ditch # 16, and the amount.

The Ex. Sec'y was also instructed to call the Documents Section, Depeartment of Administration, State of Minnesota, Phone 612-296-2874 for a copy of H.F. 838 which contains the amendments to the Watershed Act. The cost will approximately \$5.00

The report to the Water Resources Planning Board was read and approved. This report was compiled by John Lofton, Harold Grothem and Cap. Nelson after attending a meeting at Crookston on the 16th of April. Erling Weiberg presided at the meeting and the entire day was spent studying the questioneer which had been prepared by the state Department of Water Planning.

The SCS will hold a meeting on May 8th at St Paul regarding the Soil & Water Conservation Act. The board felt it would not warrent the expense and felt that we could obtain the results of the meeting from the Association of Watersheds.

A check in the amount of \$14.26 was received from Kittson County for the March tav settlement and also one from Beltrami in the amount of \$0.43.

The fellowing bills were presented for approval and upon moyion by Manager Engstrom seconded by Trangsrud were allowed.

Carol Kofstad	Making print outs	\$ 45.10
Sears	Filing Cabinet & index	192.22
N.W. Bell	Phone service	24.33
E.H. Nelson	Fees Accounting	327.00
Jim Njaa	Managers Per Diem	31.00
Howard Degerness	ff 11 11	25.00
Elby Engstrom	11 11 11	40.00
John Lofton	11 11 11	53.30
Harold Grothem	Mileage & Per Diem	85.00

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted.

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MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON JUNE 6, 1978.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 PM in the office of the Watershed at the City hall.

Board members present were Heward Degerness, James Njaa, Elby Engstrom, Clifford Trangsrud, and Jojn Lofton. Also present were Manfred Holm, Pat Moren, and Cap. Nelson.

A Delegation from Stafford Township, Kenneth Broton, Alfred Mensrud, LeRoy Seydel, and Frederick Seydel appeared on matter of drainage on ditch 8.

Manfred Helm invited Heward Helmgren from Sprague, Maniteba to visit with us relative to the Reseau River Control Project.

The first order of business was the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting waich was approved.

Mr. Helm then introduced Mr. Helmgren and he speke on the relative status of the Roseau River Centrel Project. He stated that there is some opposition to the project in Canada but he believes that it stems from lack of information and facts. He felt that the people should be better informed on the project and that a meeting should be set up on the local level to discuss the various aspects of the program. He felt that the people should know more as to what effects it would have on both sides of the border and also where the water originates. He felt it was a good project and was in hope that the Canadian Government would give their support. It was decided by the board to clear the way for a meeting on the local level and the board asked Chairman Degerness to contact the Mayor of Roseau, and Manfred Holm from the County Beard to attend this meeting and he would represent the Roseau River Watershed District.

Jerry Klema appeared relative to a culvert on the line running north and south between sections 2 and 3 twp of Stafford, at a point directly east of the old Bernt Oren building site. A motion by Jim Njaa seconded my John Lofton to grant an extension of 12 feet for the present culvert. The extension to be installed by the applicant Jerry Klema. Metion passed unanimously.

Chairman Degerness read a letter from the local Soil and Water Conservation District regarding a meeting to be held at the Roseau Public Library on June 7thmat 8:00 P.M. The letter stated that without the support of the local taxpayor we could see decreased help or even the elimination of the office unless we can show that we really need it. Mr. Degerness, Njaa and trangsrud indicated they would attend.

A letter was read by Chairman Degerness regarding a meeting to be held at East Grand Forks on May 31st relative to the flooding conditon between Minnesota and No. Dakota by the Red River. We being so far removed from the damaged site it was felt we could contribute little.

A copy of a letter sent to the County Boards of Kittsen, Marshall, Polk, Red Lake, Nerman, Clay, Mahnomen, Clearwater, Roseau, Wilken, Ottertail and Becker. This was regarding the 2 mill levy for the Red River Watershed. The read and discussed by the board members but the fact that it was only an information letter no action was taken, as it was directed to the Roseau County Board.

A letter from the Association Of Minnesota Counties regarding a meeting to be held on June 16, 1978 at the Best Western Motel in Thief River Falls beginning at 10:30 A.M. Clifford Trangsrud indicated that he would attend.

The Reseau Agency invoice for the General Liability Insurance was again tabled as he did not appear to discuss the policy and explain the coverage.

The fellowing bills presented for approval and upon motion by Jim Njaa and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud were attemed.

Reseau Printing Co.	Office Supplies	\$ 5.60
N.W. Bell	Phone	31.61
Gambles	Keys File Safe	1.49
Howard Degerness	Per Diem	25.00
John Lofton	11 11	28.30
Clifford Trangsrud	11 11	31.00
James Njaa	11 19	31.00
Elby Engstrem	11 11	40.00

Metion by Lefton second by Engstrem to change the next meeting date from July 4 to July 11, 1978. Passed unanimously.

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted.

lifford Trangsrud, See

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON JULY 11,1978.

The mee meeting was called to order by Chairman Heward Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the watershed at the city hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, James Njaz, Elby Engstrom, Clifford Trangsrud and John Lofton. Also present were Cap Nelson and Manfred Holm and Selvin Erickson.

Chairman Degerness stated that the meeting between the Canadian officials and the local representatives could not be finalized due to many conflicting circumstances. The meeting will be set up for a later date.

Chairman Degerness stated that he and Clifford Trangsrud talked with Commissioner Alexander after the hearing on the flood plain inthe Village of Roseau. Mr. Alexander stated that he would be happy to meet with the beard members whenever the time and place could be arranged.

Regarding the two mill levy Mr. Hom reported that some members of the county beard felt that the district was establishing a levy without a budget. It was stated that this was the general practise as they would have no way of knowing just what program would take place without a studyij the future.

Duff Marshall appeared and explained the general Liability policy and also the Public Officials and Employees Liability. This was obtained by the efforts of the state association. The general Liability policy covers Bodily injury in the amount of \$500,000.00 and Property Damage in the amount of \$100,000.00. This could be from automobile accidents to wrongfull eviction, slander etc. This cover both the officers and the employees. The Public Officials and employees policy better known as the Errors and emmission policy covers up to \$1,000,000.00 for a wrongfull act.

Lerey Seidel, Den Rese, Kenneth Broten, Alfred Monsrud Fred Seidel and Engineer Oris Rasmussen appeared regarding ditch 8. After considerable discussion it was the opinion of these that appeared that lateral # 3 contributed considerably to their problem. The conclusion was that they requested the Watershed District to furnish three or four culverts which would cost about \$250.00 each for 18"x24". The installation to be done by land owners. It was the opinion of the board that mre engineering information was needed and also the legal aspect should be looked into. This would be given consideration at the next meeting if the information was received from the applicants.

Regarding the SCS meeting attended by Degerness and Trangsrud it was their epinion that no immediate change would be made regarding the status of this office and that time will tell what the outcome will be.

(2) July 11, 1978.

Greg Kvale appeared in behalf of the Environment Program in the absence of RenAe Sherman. The request was made for an epinien from the Watershed Board relative to cleaning the Reseau River from a point at the Winner location east of Hayes Lake State Park and north to Hayes Lake and then on north for another seven er eight miles. They have \$6000.00 to spend on this pregram. The board consented to the clean out with stipulations as foelows: Ne debree of any kind was to be left in the river after cutting er en bank lecation se that it would float down stream and cause damage to bridges farther north. Permission was to be obtained from the land owner before the work would be done adjoing his preperty. The flood stage of the river must be kept in mind when placing the debree on the banks so that it is not picked and up in the spring and sent down the river which causes considerable damge to bridges. A copy of the resolution is to be sent to the County Board. Above motion by Lefton and seconded by Engstrom, carried.

A letter from the Business Agency of Minneapolis regarding the cost of surety bonds for the beard of mangers and the treasurer was read by Chairmen Degerness. The fee for the bends under this arrangement is mangers \$3.50 and threasurer \$5.00 for which we now pay \$10.00 for wach. A motion was made by Trangsrud seconded by Engstrom that the application be made for \$1000.00 bends for each board member except the treasurer which would be \$2000.00 effective on the expiration date of the present bends. Motion carried unamimously.

Several letters were read regarding some past history of the Roseau River Control Program. As they were very lengthy the board requested the secretary make copies and mail out to each board member so that they could be studied at the pleasure. Also to Selvin Erickson and Manfred Holm.

The fellowing bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Elby Engstrom seconded by John Lofton were allowed

N.W. Bell	\$ 59.89	0.K. Machine (Ditch 8)	\$ 1456.00
Regeau Printing	0.00	E.H. Cap Nelson Fees	165.00
Roseau Agency Ins	1436.90	Howard Degerness	25.00
James Njaa	31.00	Jehn Leften	28.30
Clifford Trangsrud	31.00	Elby Engstrem	40.00

Warrant # 2994 was received from Kittson County in payment June tax settlement as fellows; 1976 mill levy,\$2.91; 1977 mill levy, \$4.78; 1978 mill levy \$187.11.

There being no further meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Clifford Trangsrud, Sec y

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WARERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 8,1978.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Heward Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the effice of the watershed at the city hall.

Board members present were Heward Degerness, James Njaa, Elby Engstrom, Clifferd Trangsrud, John Leften and Pat Meren attorney for the Watershed District. Also appearing were Selvin Erickson member of the advisory board and John Trangsrud, Huggh Kelly, Hareld Grethem and Rev. Myron Nysether.

The first order of business was a discussion regarding a permit for the Wickstrom Telephone Co. The beard felt that at this time they had no input to offer and a motion by Jim Njam seconded by Elby Engstrom tabled the matter.

Hugh Kelly along with John Trangsrud discussed with the beard the progress of the Reseau River Flood Control Project. The question of employing a full time lobbyist wasbrought up. Selvin Erickson of the advisory board felt that it would be a little premature to engage one at the present time. After further discussion the board felt the matter should be tabled and brought up at future meetings.

The fellowing checks were received for deposit to the bank account:

Resea	au Ce	unty sett]	Lement for	March &	June	\$18,021.98
Belti	rami	County Jur	ne settleme	ent		6.34
State	e of	Minneseta	Homestead	Credit		3,016.15
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Rev. Myren Nysether of Ress, Mn. speke on various topics and expressed his opinion of what he thought should be done in the future.

Due to the absense of the Exc. Sec'y Cap Nelson, Pat Moren acted in his behalf and wrote up the minutes of the meeting.

There being no futher business meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clifford range.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON SEPT. 5, 1978.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Heward Degerness at 8:00 P.M. in the effice of the watershed at the city hall.

Beard members present were Heward Degerness, Jim Njam, Elby Engstrem and Clifferd Trangsrud. Jehn Leften was absent. Exc. Sec'y Cap Nelson, Commissioner Manfred Helm and Selvin Erickson and Harold Grothem of the advisory beard were present.

Chairman Degerness infermed the beard of a pending tour of the Reseau River Flood Centrel project by Canadian engineers under the quidence of Pete Fisher of the rmy Cerp. He called and asked for a local quide and Manfred Helm was asked to give his help and he stated that he would do so. The dates for this tour would be around the 16th to the 18th. Mr. Degerness informed Mr. Fisher that they would be looking forward to the viewing and if there was anything more the beard could do to make it a success, just call.

Upon metion by Clifford Trangsrud seconded by Elby Engstrom the following resolution was passed by unanimous wete.

"BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT;

WHEREAS, the Reseau River Watershed District is a member of the Lewer Red Lake Watershed Management Beard abd pursuant to a resolution duly adopted by the beard of Managers executed a joint powers Agreement, and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the Lower Red River Watershed District Management Board under date of July 7, 1978, said Management Board, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 162, 1976 Session Laws and in accordance with the provisions of the Joint Powers Agreement, did direct this Watershed District to levy and Ad Valorem not to exceed 2 mills on each dellar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district in the counties provided in said Chapter 162, 1976 Session Laws, and

WHEREAS, the Beard ed Managers of the Roseau River Watershed District are desireus of cooperating and fulfilling this obligation,

NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Managers of the Reseau River Watershed District:

That the Reseau River watershed District dees hereby levy an ad valerem tax of two mills on each dellar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district and within the counties set forth in Chapter 162, 1976 Session :aws.

That said levy shall be for the year 1978 and shall be collectable with the taxes receved in the year 1979.

The the County Auditors of the counties of Roseau, Kittsen, Beltrami, Marshall and Lake of the Woods shall make said levy in accordance with the previsions of the Minnesota Watershed Act, Chapter 112, Chapter 162 (1976)

the Joint Powers Agreement and Legislative direction,

That the proceeds of said mill levy shall be forwarded by the Vounty Auditors of the Counties of Roseau, Kittson,
Beltrami, Marshall and Lake of the Woods to the treasurer of the Roseau River Watershed District.

That the treasurer of the Roseau River Watershed District make payment; one mill of the proceeds of theis levy to the Lewer Red River Watershed Mamagement Beard and forward payment to Roger Ward, St. Vincent, Mn 56755.

Dated this 5th Day of September 1978.

Upon motion by Jim Njaa, seconded by Clifford Trangsrud the following resolution was passed unanimously;

"BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGER OF THE RSOEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT;

Pursuant to M.S.A. Section 112.61 Subdivision 3 the Reseau River Watershed District does hereby levy an an advancement tax of one mill on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district in the Counties of Reseau, Kittson, Beltrami, Marshall and Lake of the Woods, as set forth in the above mentioned Chapter. Such funds to be used for general administration expenses and for the construction and maintanence of project of common benefit to the district.

Upen metion by Jim Njaa seconded by Cliff Trangsrud the fellowing resolution was passed unanimously;
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGER OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT:

That the County of Roseau levy 10 mill tax for the mainienance and repair of the Ditch 8 system in the Roseau Rover watershed district. That the preceds from said levy be forwarded to the treasurer of the Roseau River Watersged District.

After considerable discussion it was the general concensus of opinion that a delegation be sent to St Clowd and attend the annual meeting the Minnesota Federation of Conservation clubs which is being held at the Sunwood Inn.

Mr. Helm called Beb Farms at Thief River Falls and he in turn called his brother Al Farms who heads the Federation.

meeting was set up for noon on Friday the 8th. The beard of directors for the Federation are taking up the question of the Roseau River Flood Control Porject on Friday afternoon, and the beard hopes that we can get a hearing with them at that time. A metion by Jim Njaa and seconded Elby Engstrom that a delegation be sent down with expenses paid was carried unanimously.



It was noted by the Exc. Sec'y that \$18,000.00 had been transferred from the checking account to the savings account.

A metion by Clifford Trangsrdu and seconded by Elby Engstrem that the first half of the levy for the Lower Red River Water Management Board be sent to their treasurer Roger Ward, St. Vincent, Mn. 56755. Motion Carried unanimously.

The fellowing bills were presented for approval and upon metion by Clifford Trangsrdu seconded by Jim Njaa were allowed.

Reseau Printin Ce.,	\$ 8.05
Howard Degerness (2) Mtgs.	50.00
James Njaa (2) "	62.00
Clifford Trangsrud (2) "	62.00
Elby Engstrem (2)	80.00
Jehn Leften (1)	28.30

There being ne further business meeting was adjourned/

RESPECTFULLU SUBMITTED.

Lifferd Trangerud, Sec y

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON OCT. 2, 1978.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7;45 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, James Njaæ, and Clifford Trangsrud. John Lofton and Elby Rngstrom being absent. Also present were Pat Moren Attorney and Cap Nelson Exc. Sec'y. Members from the advisory board attending were Manfred Holm, Selvin Erickson and Harold Grothem. Bill Slocum from the Army Corp of Engineers appeared to give the board an update on the Roseau River Flood Control project.

The minutes of the September 5 board meeting were read and approved.

Bill Slocum from the Corp of Army Engineers gave a report on the progress of the Roseau River Flood Control project. He stated that the National Wildelife Association and others are causing adverse publicity to be directed at the program. The Izaak Walton League of America has also gotten into the picture. These two organization with their large memberships are causing problems. A Mr. Zenter who is an immediate past president of the Izaak Walton League has w ritten a letter Colonel Ted Gay of the Corp regarding a meeting he and others had with Alexander of the DNR. He has sited seven questions which he thought should ne answered. These are very similar to the questions which have been asked by other organization. It was the opinion of the board that the executive secretary make an effort to arrange a meeting with some members from the Izaak Walton League. This could be patterned after the meeting with the Minnesota Conservation Federation at St Cloud. Accreding to Mr. Slocum it is now necessary for the Corp to make new assessments after the modifications have been incorporated into the plan. He felt that it would be about the middle of January 79 before the impact statement could be worked up. At this point he made the statement that he felt the Canadians would not move until we had settled our own internal affairs. He also touched on the weirs which is part of the modification program. These would be located downstream from the big swamp area and also near Ross and the Roseau Lake bed area. These weirs would be located in the river channel and he estimated they would hold water to a depth of about six feet. The river would have to be widened at these points and this of course would necessitate obtaining some new easements. He stated that the number one priority to-day is to answer the questions which are being asked by the conservation groups. He stated that Mr. Herbts from Washington was in St. Paul and attended a meeting in August this year. His main interest was to update himself on the status of the Roseau River Flood Control project. Mr. Slocum felt that the number two

priority was the revaluation of the project as to the cost benefit ratio. With time having passed and farming conditons changing he thought this would be necessary. He stated that it was very possble someone would be in the area asking questions and making observations in a month or so. At this point he stated that he was of the opinion that if the Canadians would move favorably on the project construction could get under way. Chairman Degerness asked the question, "What could we do to expedite the program" Mr. Slocum stated that the only answer he had for that was for the board to keep on working as they have in the past. He was asked if he thought the Corp would approve the action we had taken in meeting with Minnesota Conservation Federation, and he answered he could see no reason whay this was not agood approach.

A motion by Jim Njaa and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud instructed the executive secretary to make every effort to set a hearing with the Izaak Walton League. It was suggested that Mr.Zenter be contacted because of his involment and interest in the River project. This motion carried unanimously.

A report from the N.W. Reginal Development Commission was received. It was noted on page 31 of the report under a list of River and Maps sent to workshop participants in Minnesota that the River from Hayes Lake Park to Mulligan Lake 30 miles was included in the Scenic and Wild rivers inventory. No action or comments were taken at this time.

The matter of employment compensation was taken up at this time as a new policy was received from the Roseau Agency. The secretary was instructed to contact the agency regarding this policy as we have no employese at the present time.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Jim Njaa and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud were approved.

N.W. Bell Telephone	phone	\$ 25.13
Selvin Erickson	Per Diem & Mileage	137.00
Harold Grothem	Per Diem	50.00
Howard Degerness	Per Diem	75.00
Jim Njaa	Per Diem	31.00
Clifford Trangsrud	Per Diem	31.00
E.H. Nelson	Accounting Fees	360.00

Ther being no further business meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Chifford Trangsrud.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON NOV. 7, 1978.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman .
Howard Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, John Lofton and Clifford Trangsrud. Also Cap Nelson Exc. Secretary and Gust Knien from the advisory board.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The first item on the agenda was in reference to aletter from Col. Gay to Chairman Degerness. This letter was in response to Dave Zentners letter of Sept. 6, 1978. Col Gay sent us a copy of the letter he wrote to David Zentner wherein he answered the questions which Mr. Zentner had presented in his letter to Col. Gay. As the letter was rather lengthy the board instructed the secretary to make copies and send to each board member for his study. Also a copy of Mr. Zentners letter will be included.

The next matter taken up was a report by Chairman Degerness on the meeting with Mr. Workman (Economist section), Mr. Farmer (Economics) and Mr. Simpkind (Social Analyst). The meeting was held at the Citizens State Bank in the office of Mr. Foley. Present were Mr. Foley, Degerness, Holm, Trangsrud along with the above mentioned Corp representatives. The Corp representatives requested a separate inview with the following people; Bob Foley, Bill Provance, Harold Grothem, Howard Degerness and Cap Nelson. This was done the following day. Then Mr. Degerness flew them over the area with plane. They then met with Manfred Holm and Clifford Trangsrud who conducted them on a ground tour as they visited with a number of land owners involved in the project.

A copy of the bulletin titled "Field Inspection of Proposed Roseau River Channelization Project Area " will be sent to each board member for his file.

Chairman Degerness then stated that the above Army Corp team were again in the Roseau Area along wiht a Bi-ologist. They stated they wanted to interview Mrs. Betty Johnson and Norman Flagstad Jr. which they did. Flagstad appeared to be more concerned now with additional drainage that the Roseay River as a fishery.

Insurance Policy cancellation was noted. It was the opinion of the board that we do not need a Workmans Insurance policy as we have no on the pay roll at the

present time.

Chairman Degerness and Holm reported on their meeting with officials from Dominion City, Manitoba. The officials were having a meeting and their subject was releative to the Roseau River Project. They had quite a lenghty discussion at the meeting and felt that some good had been accomplished although they did not get a vote of confidence at that time. They were to vote on the subject after Degerness and Holm left.

Yvonne Magnusson met with the board relative to cleaning the log jams from the bridge know as the Stoe or Levander bridge between sections 28 and 30 - 163-164 Range 40 West, Jadis addition and unorganized. He had spoken to Ray Sauve county engineer and was informed this was a township problem. The watershed board informed him they could not handle the matter unless it was incorporated in their rules and regulations. Then it would have to be confined to the watershed district area bridges and all of them taken care of. The board suggested to Mr. Magnusson that he contact the twon board relative to this matter and the board in turn would ask their legal council to check into the matter.

A letter from the "ssociation of Watershed Districts stated the convention would take place on Dec. 1 & 2-1978 at Alexandria, Mn. at the Arrowhead lodge. The secretary was instucted to send in cerification of delegates by November 21. The delegates were Howard Degerness with John Lofton as alternate. Two double occupancy rooms were to be reserved by the secretary. The Certification of membership was mailed to Edward Schwartz, Sec'y. at Buffalo Lake, Mn. 55314.

In a communication from the County Auditor Richard Bergan the appointment of Clifford Trangsrud and John Lofton by the Roseau County Board was confirmed.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by John Lofton and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud were approved.

Roseau Printing Co N.W. Bell Telephon	•, • Co.,	\$ 2.04 20.66
Howard Degerness	Per Diem & Exp. Reim.	100.00
Jim Njam	Per Diem & Mileage	31.00
Clifford Trangsrud	Per Diem & Mileage	46.00
John Lofton	Per Diem & Mileage	28.30

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON DEC. 5, 1978.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7;30 P.M. in the office of the watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, and Clifford Trangsrud. Also present were Pat Moren Attorney, Cap Nelson Executive Secretary and Manfred Holm and Harold Grothem of the Advisory board.

Chairman Degerness reported on the Association meeting which he and Clifford Trangsrdu had attended at Alexandria, Mn. Water Quality was a major topic and he stated we would no doubt hear more of that later. They felt that the meeting was interesting and educational. He also stated that the Association had been very helpful and had in fact paid some of the expenses incurred during the hearings in St.Paul.

Chairman Degerness brought out the fact that a certain statement in the Application for Permit to Work in Public Waters should be changed if at all possible. It was felt that a little different choice of words in a certain phrase under the heading "Justification" would present a more true picture.

John Gaukerud of Badger the newly elected County Commissioner for the third district appeared at the request of Manfred Holm. Chairman Degerness outlined the working structure of the Roseau River Watershed District pointing out the fact that the two are co-related to a certain extent and require the exchange of ideas and knowledge. He also brought Mr. Gaukerud up to date as the progress of the Roseau River Flodd Control Project. He also outlined what he thought Mr. Gaukerud could do to assist and expedite the program.

It was suggest by Mr. Holm that the board obtain a set of plans from the County Highway Department and sendthen them to Bill Slocum of the Army Corp of Engineers. It was felt that the Corp could use this information in their discussion with the Canadian Government. This would show the Canadian Government that consideration has been given in leaving a portion of Road # 7 lower to give relief in the event of a 100 year flood level. Manfred Holm was to obtain a set of plans and leave them with the Executive Secretary to be mailed in to the Corp.

The discussion on Workmans Compansation Insurance was brought up again. The general consensus of opinion was that if the Insurance could be purchased for a nominal fee it would be wise to do so in the event we should hire an employee in the near future. At the present time the district has no employees as the Legal and accounting is done on a fee basis and the mamagers are on a Per Diem basis



It was noted that the Watershed District received c check in the amount of \$3556.34 from the State of Minnesota. This revenue was received under the Homestead Credit Ald. Also a Warrant from Kittson County in the amount of \$144.76 for the November settlement.

Clifford Trangsrud gave a report on the meeting he attended of the Lower Red Lake Water Management Board. In his report he gave a list of the Various projects which the board is managing and also the progress being made. One item of interest was the fact they had purchased a surety bond insurance for their tresurer in the amount \$200,000.00. The cost of this amounted to \$980.00.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Jim Njaa and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud were approved.

NW, Bell Telephone Co.,	Phone	\$	50.87
Roese Variety	Supplies Folders	•	2.87
Village Roseau (455 Copie:	sUse of Copy Machine		45.50
Peter Tandberg	Viewing (1977) RR		57.90
Howard Degerness	P.D. Travel & Lodge.		148.71
Clifford Trangsrud	P.D. n n n		116.91
Jmaes Njaa	P.D. Travel		31.00

Ther being no further business meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

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