



East Dakota Water Development District

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MINUTES

June 15, 2006

The Board of Directors of the East Dakota Water Development District (EDWDD) held a regular meeting on June 15, 2006 at the EDWDD office in Brookings. Chairman Dempsey called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. The following persons attended:

Directors Present

Dave Bennett
Lois Brown
Bill Dempsey
Curt Eggers
Doug Feten
Vincent Flemming
Kay Kassube
John Weidler

Directors Absent

Martin Jarrett

Others Present

Scott Buss, Minnehaha Community Water Corporation
Killian Condon, Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe
Shirley Flemming, Florence
Bob Kolbe, Minnehaha County Commission
Vickie Kujawa, Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe

Staff Present

Lisa Bretsch
Jay Gilbertson
Deb Springman

Administrative Items

Approval of Agenda - The Manager informed the Board that the presentation on the South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems Source Water Protection efforts would be postponed until a later meeting, and he had removed this item from the agenda. **Motion** by Weidler, seconded by Bennett to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes - The Board reviewed the Minutes of the May 23, 2006 meeting. **Motion** by Bennett, seconded by Brown to approve the Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports - The Board reviewed the May 2006 financial statements (attached). **Motion** by Flemming, seconded by Weidler to approve the May 2006 financial statements. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Dempsey directed that the approved financial statements be placed in the District files.

Report of Meetings and Conferences - Directors Brown, Dempsey, Eggers, Flemming and Weidler attended the Annual Meeting of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System in Sioux Falls on June 1st.

The Manager briefly commented on the following meetings he had attended:

1. **May 25** - Madison. First District Association of Local Governments.
2. **May 30** - Brookings. Brookings County Commission - high water levels in gravel pits east of town.
3. **May 31** - Brookings. Presentation on results of BSR WQ issues survey from Paulsen Marketing.

Upcoming Meetings -

1. **June 22 - 7:00 p.m.** - City Hall, Watertown. Upper Big Sioux River Watershed Advisory Board.
2. **June 22 & 23 - 1:00 p.m.** - Matthew Training Center, Pierre. Board of Water and Natural Resources.
3. **July 12 & 13** - Matthew Training Center, Pierre. Water Management Board.
4. **July 13 - 1:00 p.m.** - EDWDD Office, Brookings. South Dakota Lakes & Streams Association Board meeting.
5. **July 20 - 10:30 a.m.** - EDWDD Office, Brookings. July EDWDD Board of Directors meeting.

Standing Committee Meetings - The Board selected the following meeting times and dates:

Personnel Committee - 8:15 a.m., July 20th at the EDWDD office; and

Finance Committee - 9:00 a.m., July 20th at the EDWDD office.

The Manager noted that with the Committee meetings at 8:15 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on July 20th, the starting time for the regular Board of Directors meeting scheduled for that date would be 10:30 a.m., rather than 9:00 a.m.

EDWDD Observation Well Survey

The Manager said that as the results of various ground water investigations by the South Dakota Geological Survey (SDGS) and other entities, observation wells have been installed in the many aquifers throughout the District. In Brookings County alone there are records in the SDGS files of over 200 wells, some dating back to the 1950's. While some continue to be monitored (mostly by SDGS and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources Water Rights Program), most are no longer in use. He noted that the wells represent a significant investment and a tremendous resource for future investigations.

This summer, District employees are conducting an inventory of known observation wells. They will attempt to locate all wells noted in SDGS files. The condition of the well (status of casing, caps, annular space fill), presence of well protectors and/or fence posts, and water levels will be noted. Work has begun in Brookings County and will continue as time and resources permit. To date, 74 sites have been checked, with all but three wells still present. Results will be forwarded to SDGS at the end of the season, and a cooperative effort made to address any problems found.

Project Updates

Big Sioux River Watershed Assessment Projects - Deb Springman, Watershed Project Coordinator, reviewed recent activities with the Central Big Sioux River Watershed Assessment (CBSRWA), North-Central Big Sioux River/East Oakwood Lake Watershed Assessment (NCBSR/EOLWA) and School Lake Watershed Assessment (SLWA) projects. Revised total maximum daily load reports are nearly completed for the CBSRWA. These reports have been on hold awaiting final waste load allocation numbers from the State. Revisions to the Draft Final Report for the NCBSR/EOLWA are nearing completion. The report has been split into separate segments dealing with river and lake issues. Ms. Springman is awaiting State comments on the Draft Final Report for the SLWA.

Central Big Sioux River Watershed Implementation Project - The Manager reviewed material prepared by Project Coordinator Angela Guidry. Memorandums of understanding (MOUs) have been completed with each of the seven conservation districts (CDs) in the project area. The MOUs define the roles of the District and the CDs in supporting the project. Ms. Guidry is finishing up language for the agreements between the District and landowners for the design and construction of animal waste management systems. Once the final wording is clear, District's Attorney Al Glover will review the document.

The results of the recent survey of public opinion on water quality issues on the Big Sioux River were discussed. The survey, conducted in late April, indicates a general understanding that there are water quality problems, and that the river is worth protecting. Of particular note is that a majority of people are willing to pay higher taxes to protect water quality. Nearly 75% support greater use of regulations if voluntary measures are unsuccessful. Most people understood the need to protect the resource; however, most have limited understanding of current efforts, and have no strong opinions on what needed to be done. This indicates a need for greater education of the general public.

Lake Poinsett Water Level Work Group - Deb Springman and the Manager reviewed efforts by a work group established by the Lake Poinsett Water Project District to look into the low water level in the lake. The work group is charged with identifying possible actions to address the problem. The work group has met twice, on May 15 and June 12. There is considerable interest in diverting water from the Big Sioux River, although the water quality impact of this action is questionable. To deal with this, the work group is looking at establishing water quality thresholds before supporting introduction of river water to the lake.

Adjournment

There being no further District business, Chairman Dempsey declared the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Doug Feten, Secretary

**East Dakota Water Development District
Custom Summary Report
May 2006**

	May 06
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4100 - Tax Rev	
4140 - Current Tax Revenue	132,360.34
4150 - Prior Tax Revenue	509.65
4160 - Miscell. Tax Revenue	107.85
	132,977.84
Total 4100 - Tax Rev	132,977.84
4300 - Revenue - Other	181.55
7010 - Interest Income	1,826.73
	134,986.12
Total Income	134,986.12
Gross Profit	134,986.12
Expense	
5500 - Big Sioux River Implementation	
5515 - CBSRWIP Water Quality Analysis	2,030.44
5520 - CBSRWIP Printing / Reproduction	2,345.00
5525 - CBSRWIP Travel	247.77
5535 - CBSRWIP Supplies and Materials	7.95
5550 - CBSRWIP Equipment	10.80
	4,641.76
Total 5500 - Big Sioux River Implementation	4,641.76
6050 - Vehicle Expense	
6052 - Lease Expense	292.91
6053 - Fuel/Lubricants	27.95
	320.86
Total 6050 - Vehicle Expense	320.86
6070 - BOD Travel & Ent	
6072 - BOD Travel	446.72
	446.72
Total 6070 - BOD Travel & Ent	446.72
6080 - Capital Outlay Items	
6082 - Equipment and Furniture	119.99
	119.99
Total 6080 - Capital Outlay Items	119.99
6220 - Dues and Subscriptions	206.51
6240 - Equipment Rental	
6241 - Copier Lease/Rental	180.94
	180.94
Total 6240 - Equipment Rental	180.94
6530 - Miscellaneous	182.28
6540 - Maintenance	
6541 - Office Maintenance	275.00
	275.00
Total 6540 - Maintenance	275.00
6550 - Office Supplies	357.48
6560 - Payroll Expenses	
6163 - Payroll Taxes	1,831.07
6561 - Retirement	183.84
6562 - Health Insurance	1,793.82
6564 - Retirement Admin Co. 2	268.04
6560 - Payroll Expenses - Other	7,924.64
	12,001.41
Total 6560 - Payroll Expenses	12,001.41
6565 - Payroll Expenses for Board	825.00
6566 - Payroll Expenses Technical	
6570 - Retirement Technical Asst. - Co	833.34
6571 - Technical Asst. Employ. 2 Co.	268.04
6566 - Payroll Expenses Technical - Other	15,185.44
	16,086.82
Total 6566 - Payroll Expenses Technical	16,086.82
6620 - Printing and Reproduction	361.74
6640 - Professional Fees	
6650 - Accounting	807.50
6640 - Professional Fees - Other	35.00
	842.50
Total 6640 - Professional Fees	842.50

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6690 - Rent	
6691 - Office Rent	1,500.00
Total 6690 - Rent	1,500.00
6880 - Telephone	
6881 - Cell Phone	117.58
6882 - Office Phone	390.67
Total 6880 - Telephone	508.25
6900 - Travel & Ent	877.19
6940 - Utilities	
6970 - Trash Removal	73.67
Total 6940 - Utilities	73.67
Total Expense	39,808.12
Net Ordinary Income	95,178.00
Other Income/Expense	
Other Expense	
8050 - Project Expenditures	
8070 - VBWDD grant 03	437.00
Total 8050 - Project Expenditures	437.00
Total Other Expense	437.00
Net Other Income	-437.00
Net Income	94,741.00