

MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE
STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Held in the offices of the Commission, State Capitol, October 6, 1943.

A regular meeting of the State Water Conservation Commission was held in the offices of the Commission on the 13th floor of the Capitol, October 6, 1943. The meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m., with Governor Moses, Chairman, presiding. Commissioner Simons and Thompson, and Secretary Walsh present. Commissioners Orlady and Dahl absent.

Commissioner Simons moved the adoption of the minutes of the August 2, 1943, and September 2, 1943, meetings. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Carried.

Commissioner Thompson moved the adoption of the financial statements for the months of August and September, 1943. Commissioner Simons seconded the motion. Carried.

A discussion relative to the purchase of manure for the Bismarck Irrigated Victory Gardens, Project No. 326, was held.

Milton Higgins, Attorney, Mandan, came into the meeting about 9:30 a.m.

Commissioner Simons moved that the Bismarck Association of Commerce be authorized to spend up to \$400.00 of the money in its possession, collected as rental from the Bismarck Irrigated Victory Gardens, for the purchase and application of manure on the gardens; the work to be done under the direction of the Secretary of the Water Commission and the Soil Conservation Service. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners present voting aye. Carried.

Mr. Higgins reviewed the Harke land situation. Commissioner Simons moved that the following resolution for the condemnation proceedings on this land be adopted. (Copies attached hereto). Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Higgins left the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

The Secretary reported on his dealings with Mr. C. S. McCulloch for the acquisition of certain land for Project No. 326, Bismarck Irrigated Victory Gardens.

It was suggested that the employment of Fred J. Fredrickson of the North Dakota Resources Board, by the Water Commission, be taken up when all of the Commissioners are present at a meeting.

The matter of North Dakotas' representation before Congress in behalf of the Pembina, Park and Sheyenne Rivers Projects, was discussed. Governor Moses stated that Dean H. L. Walster of Fargo should act as official representative from this state, his expenses to be paid by the Tri-State Waters Commission. He further suggested that a letter be written by the Secretary to Mr. Bard of the Tri-State Waters Commission, telling him that in the opinion of this Commission, it is a matter for the Tri-State Waters Commission to determine whether or not its interest in these projects require a representative from North Dakota to go to Washington, D. C. If so, then Dean Walster, will be requested to go and Governor Moses will issue a travel authorization to him for this travel.

Commissioner Simons moved that Commissioner Thompson be requested to represent the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission at the Mississippi Valley Association Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, October 17, 18 and 19. In the event of his inability to attend, Governor Moses is authorized to appoint another representative. Expenses for this trip are to be paid by the Water Commission. Governor Moses seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with a unanimous vote of "Aye". Carried.

Commissioner Thompson moved that Commissioner Orlady be requested to represent the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission at the National Reclamation Association convention, Denver, Colorado, October 25-28. In the event of his inability to attend, Governor Moses is authorized to appoint another representative. Expenses for this trip are to be paid by the Water Commission. Commissioner Simons seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with a unanimous vote of "aye." Carried.

Commissioner Thompson moved that the Secretary be authorized to spend \$100.00 for materials for the repair of the Timber Creek Dam, McKenzie County, Project No. 338. Commissioner Simons seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners present voting aye. Carried.

Commissioner Simons moved that the expenditure of \$65.00 for the report of the Sub-Committee of the National Reclamation Association, prepared by Clifford Stone, Judge, Denver, be made by the Secretary. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners present voting aye. Carried.

Commissioner Simons moved that the Secretary be authorized to pay the 1942-43 membership fee of \$100.00 to the National Reclamation Association. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners present voting aye. Carried.

Commissioner Simons moved that the Water Commission continue the employment of Einar Berge on the same basis as in the past until there is a full meeting of the Water Commission. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners present voting aye. Carried.

Commissioner Thompson moved that the Commission accept the recommendation of the Secretary to increase the salary of E. J. Booth, Engineer, to \$225.00 per month. Commissioner Simons seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners present voting aye. Carried.

Governor Moses reported that he is to confer with the Wachter Brothers sometime after October 15, 1943, relative to the Bismarck Project No. 215.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. to the call of the Chair.

Acting Secretary

J. J. Walsh

ATTEST

J. J. Simons
Chairman

NORTH DAKOTA WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF OCT. 30, 1943
1943-1945 Approp.

No.	Appropriation for	Balance Available 7-1-43	Jul-Sept. Expenses 1943	Oct. Expense 1943	Balance in Fund	Apporitioned Monthly
1	Commissioners Per Diem.	3,000.00	387.00	35.00	2,578.00	166.66
2	Administration.	20,775.00				
	Refunds and Collections added	1,451.72	4,353.06	506.58	17,367.08	1,154.16
3	Maintenance Existing Dams	7,500.00	1,840.98	648.18	5,010.84	
4	Tri-State Waters portion of Adm. & Conf. expenses	5,625.00	678.43	197.50	4,749.07	312.50
5	International and Interstate Stream Compaats; Commissioner and conference expenses.	9,375.00	907.94	103.50	8,363.56	520.83
6	Topographic and conservation Branches in Cooperation with U.S. on 50-50 basis.	15,000.00	nil	nil	15,000.00	833.33
7	Hydrographic Surveys.	6,000.00	811.42	181.66	5,006.92	333.33
8	State Engineer's Salary	3,300.00	549.99	183.33	2,566.68	183.33
9	Secure Amendment to Ft. Peck Dam law to release Waters for Missouri and Souris Diversion.	2,500.00	nil	nil	2,500.00	104.16
10	Promote Maintenance of Drainage and to Construct channels.	50,000.00	2,995.00	nil	47,005.00	
11-a	Post War Projects 50-50 with U.S. Departments.. .	164,534.59	250.99	214.61	164,068.99	
11-b	Other Post-war Project Planning.	100,000.00	4,291.39	1,576.39	94,132.22	
12	Construction Bond Guarantee Fund	72,420.00	nil	nil	72,420.00	
		461,481.31	17,066.20	3,646.75	440,768.36	

NORTH DAKOTA WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
BALANCE OF PRIOR FUNDS RECOVERED BY OPINION
OF ATTORNEY GENERAL - AS OF OCT. 30, 43

NO. YR.	Appropriation	Balance 7-1-43	July-Sept. Expenses	Oct. Expense	Balance 10-30-43
1 -'39	Commissioners Per Diem.	1,757.00	nil	nil	1,757.00
4 -'39	Lewis and Clark Experimental Farm	251.83	nil	192.07	119.76
5 -'39	Sponsor's Share Dam Repair	2,142.76			
	Plus warrants canceled and deposited.	100.05	154.73	nil	2,088.08
6 -'39	Engineering and Soil Survey.	180.00	nil	nil	180.00
7 - '39	Missouri River Diversion Designs and Reports.	300.00	nil	nil	300.00
8 -'39	Goose River Diversion.	125.00	nil	nil	125.00
9 -'39	James River and Lake Traverse Diversion	751.20	nil	nil	751.20
10--'39	Missouri River Diversion.	2,000.00	nil	nil	2,000.00
11 -'39	Evaluation Economic Benefits.	700.00	nil	165.00	535.00
12 -'39	Reports & Conferences, Congressional Agencies	272.07	nil	nil	272.07
13 -'39	Tri-State Waters Commission cooperation	854.37	157.50	nil	696.87
14 -'39	Independent Investigations and Reports.	526.12	nil	nil	526.12
1 -'41	Commissioners Per Diem.	500.00	105.00	nil	395.00
4 -'41	Maintenance Existing Dams	1,241.18	1,086.45	nil	154.73
12 -'41	Tri-State Waters - Adm. Conferences.	153.80	nil	nil	153.80
15 -'41	Topographic Surveys.	357.63	357.80	nil	.13
16 -'41	Cooperation Obtaining Waters	91.63	91.63	nil	nil
18 -'41	State Engineers Salary.	183.37	183.37	nil	nil
19 -'41	Hydrographic Surveys.	69.80	48.80	nil	21.00
Other funds - Bank of North Dakota deposits:					
	Contribution Fund - Hebron Dam repair.	2,850.00	2,799.00	nil	51.00
	Fire Indemnity - Lewis and Clark Irrig. Dist	592.16	nil	592.16	nil
		15,999.97	4,983.98	889.23	10,126.76

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