

# ***BUFFALO-RED RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT***

BARNESVILLE, MINNESOTA 56514

123 FRONT STREET SOUTH – PO BOX 341

PHONE 218-354-7710

---

---

## **MINUTES FOR MANAGERS' MEETING March 8, 2010**

The Board of Managers, Buffalo-Red River Watershed District (BRRWD), held their regular meeting on Monday, March 8, 2010, at 7:00 PM in the Barnesville office. BRRWD Managers present were Roger G. Ellefson, Gerald L. VanAmburg, Breanna L. Paradeis Kobiela, and Curtis M. Nelson. Others attending included: Bruce E. Albright, BRRWD Administrator, Erik S. Jones, Engineer, and Julie Jerger, Administrative Assistant, Houston Engineering, Inc. (H.E.); Gust G. Johanson, G&G Farms; Tracy Hazelton, H&S Contracting, Inc.; and Mike Staber, American Enterprises.

Chairman Ellefson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He announced that the proceedings were being taped to aid in preparation of the minutes.

**Project No. 29, Buffalo River Log Jams.** At 7:00 PM, Ellefson announced that bidding will close for the removal of several logjams, identified during an aerial survey in August 2009 (24 sites) on two reaches of the Buffalo River. Reach A is north of Interstate-94 (I-94), and Reach B is south of I-94. The Engineer's estimate prepared last fall for the work was \$95,000 for both reaches. Albright explained the BRRWD would have preferred to bid this work and have it completed during the winter, but funding from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) through their Emergency Watershed Program (EWP) didn't become available until recently. The project costs will be split 75% EWP and 25% BRRWD. The NRCS capped their contribution at 75% of the estimated project costs or \$71,250. The BRRWD will pay for any cost overruns. The contractors based their bids on a per site basis. The group discussed how to get as much of the work done as possible before the spring runoff. Jones would like the work to focus on the South Branch of the Buffalo River. The sites may have to be reevaluated after spring runoff and if necessary, the BRRWD can grant the contractors a time extension to complete their work.

CONTRACTORS	REACHES & Alternates	TOTAL BASE BID
William Nichol Excavation Fargo, ND	A	\$64,900.00
	B	\$75,000.00
American Enterprises	A	\$63,500.00
	B	\$86,300.00
H&S Contracting, Inc. Moorhead, MN	A	\$65,950.00
	B	\$72,249.90
Gust Johanson G&G Farms Moorhead, MN	Reach B:	
	Site 8	\$4,000.00
	Site 9	\$2,000.00

The Board discussed the bids. Albright suggested that we have the contractors start on the north end and work upstream. When they have reached the \$95,000 limit, we should have the contractors stop, and then wait to see if more EWP funding is available after the spring runoff. Jones will work with the contractors to identify priority sites, and the contractors will work together to finish as much of the work as possible prior to any spring flooding. Johanson agreed to do the Site 9 work for the same price (\$1,000) as the other bidders, so that he could do the logjam removal on his own property. The Board agreed to accept

Johanson's total bid of \$5,000 for Sites 8 and 9, Reach B. **Motion** by VanAmburg to award the project according to the bid results per reach to American Enterprises and H&S Contracting, Inc., and to G&G Farms for Sites 8 and 9. The work is authorized up to a total of \$95,000 for both reaches. **Seconded** by Nelson. **Approved.**

**Secretary's Report.** The Board reviewed draft minutes for the 2/08/10 BRRWD regular meeting. Nelson noted two corrections. **Motion** by Nelson to approve the minutes, subject to correction. **Seconded** by Hanson. **Approved.**

**Treasurer's Report.** The Board reviewed the monthly financial statements, including the project account balance sheet, administrative disbursements, summary of income, and the accounts receivable report. Albright reported that the BRRWD has received \$1,993,009.62 this month. Most of this income is reimbursement for Oakport expenditures. We currently have \$2,674,841.68 on hand. The Board discussed the accounts receivable. The office has submitted a final pay request (\$36,244.64) to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for the Kragnes project. **Motion** by VanAmburg to accept the Treasurer's Report. **Seconded** by Paradeis Kobiela. **Approved.**

**Other business brought before the Board included:**

**Permit No. 06-116, Frank Schindler/Richard Peppel.** Jones presented a proposal for a project concept to conduct a comprehensive study to address drainage problems in Sections 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36, Barnesville Township, Clay County, which has a total drainage area of approximately 21 square miles (sq. mi.) and is located upstream of Whisky Creek. The Revised Watershed Management Plan (RWMP) has earmarked about 8,000-9,000 acre-feet of storage for the Whisky Creek drainage area. A potential study for this area would investigate the practical storage areas, storage capacities, and quantify the potential to divert water from the DNR protected tributary in this area to the South Branch of the Buffalo River. The study would also provide estimates of the potential bufferstrip acreage and what it would take to rework the waterway by both re-meandering some parts of the channel and straightening other stretches in the middle reaches of the tributary, where it crisscrosses through the road several times. Other items in a potential study could include possible wetland restorations and a survey of the channel to acquire some baseline information. Jones estimated that the study could cost approximately \$30,000-\$35,000. Albright suggested that the Board present the proposal to the Mediation Project Team (PT) for their review and consensus regarding this approach to area problems. Ellefson and Nelson felt that any project for this area could have significant downstream opposition. The Board discussed possible concerns. Albright pointed out that a potential project in this area would help address problems on Whisky Creek and the South Branch of the Buffalo River. Jones felt that there is a potential for retention/detention in this area where storage is needed to divert flows from the downstream reaches of Whisky Creek. The group discussed the potential storage sites.

**Permit No. 09-131, Detroit Lakes Wetland Management District (WMD)/United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).** Applicant proposes to restore a wetland on Becker County Ditch No. 5, upstream of the Amer Froyland (Todd Branden) Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) dam. The project is located in Sections 21, 22, 27, and 28, Audubon Township. Minnesota Statutes Annotated (M.S.A.) 103.227, Impounding Surface Waters on a County Ditch, will be applicable to this project. The process will include a petition, Engineer's recommendations, and a hearing with the affected County Ditch No. 5 landowners. We are currently waiting for the USFWS to submit a petition for their project. Once the process is completed, the BRRWD will be able to discuss a permit for the proposed wetland restoration. **Tabled.**

**Permit No. 09-132, Bruce Yaggie.** Applicant proposes to install approximately 302 acres of patterned tiling in the S½, Section 20, Deerhorn Township, Wilkin County. Yaggie plans to install the tile from east

to west. On the west headland, he plans to install a main line that will gravity flow to the northwest corner of the property, and from that, the water will eventually drain north and east in the road ditch to Wilkin County Ditch No. 5A, to which the property is assessed. The Board would like to field review the proposed tile outlet. Albright discussed the project with the downstream landowner, Jay Nord, who indicated that he had no problems with the proposal. Some cleaning along the road ditch may be required. **Tabled** pending Manager field review.

**Permit No. 10-03, Gerald Zimmerman.** Applicant proposes to pattern tile the NW1/4, Section 31, Morken Township, Clay County. He plans to appropriate water from Clay County Ditch No. 39 to fill his tiling project during a drought or growing season. The group discussed possible neighboring landowners concerns about water appropriation. Albright commented that if the Board approves this permit, we could be setting a precedent regarding water appropriation. **Tabled** pending Manager field review.

**Permit No. 10-04, Moorhead Public Service.** Applicant proposes to install a new three-phase electric distribution line along the south side of Clay County Ditch No. 41-Lateral No. 1 right-of-way (r-o-w), beginning approximately 320' east of Trunk Highway (T.H.) No. 75 and continuing for approximately 1,280' east to an existing electric line. The installation will be comprised of one 4" and one 1.5" PVC conduits under the ditch approximately 320' east of T.H. No. 75. The project will replace and upgrade the existing cable and will provide service to the property on the south side of the ditch system. The Board discussed the proposed project. **Motion** by VanAmburg to approve Permit No. 10-04, subject to the BRRWD's standard utilities disclaimer. **Seconded** by Nelson. **Approved.**

**Permit No. 10-05, Gordon Kassenborg.** Applicant proposes to install drain tile in the SW1/4, Section 6, Moland Township, and the SE1/4, Section 1, Oakport Township, Clay County, consisting of three 8" mains and 4" laterals every 67' that will eventually outlet to the Buffalo River. The project will help control subsoil moisture to optimize crop quality and yield. Kassenborg's property is adjacent to Gerald Zimmerman's (Permit No. 10-03) property, and they plan to work together on their tiling projects. **Tabled** pending Manager field review.

**Richard Peppel Drainage Concern.** The Board held an informational meeting on 3/01/10 in the BRRWD office with Peppel, the City of Barnesville, the Clay County Highway Department, the Otter Tail Valley Railroad, and affected landowners to discuss Peppel's concerns about a natural waterway crossing County State Aid Highway (CSAH) No. 52 south of Barnesville. The City is using this waterway as outlet for their Heartland Addition. The Managers discussed the meeting. Managers Ellefson, Nelson, and Hanson also attended the meeting.

**Michael Hustad Highwater Concern.** Hustad contacted the office last summer and, again last week, regarding highwater concerns on his property in the northwest corner of Section 6, Norwegian Grove Township, Otter Tail County. The problem is also near the southeast corner of Section 31, Tansem Township, Clay County. When Clay County raised their road, it trapped the water on his side of County Road (C.R.) No. 127 (180<sup>th</sup> AVE). On 6/08/09, Wade Opsahl, Technician, H.E., conducted an investigation of the site, took photographs, and prepared a report for the Board's review. Water is up to the edge of C.R. No. 127 between Sections 6 and 31. Hustad claims that the County continues to add gravel to the road to keep it from overtopping. Opsahl did observe evidence that water has gone over the road and fresh gravel was added to the road. The County has caution signs on this stretch of road, and the water on the north side of the road is several feet lower than on the south side. Opsahl noted that if the water was able to flow north, it might not be high enough to drain over the existing ridge to the northwest, and could just pond in the low areas on the north side of the road. As there is no defined channel to the northwest, water overtopping the road would go overland and fill up a series of small depressions that are all currently cropped. He added that there didn't appear to be a culvert in the road at this location. Hustad is concerned that the high water is restricting access for his renter to enter the hay field southeast of the water. He thinks

that when the County added gravel to the road, they inadvertently created a dam that holds water on his property. The Board discussed this issue and decided they needed to conduct a field review. **Tabled**, pending Manager field review.

**Project No. 67, Helgeson, Randkler, Businger, Seim, & Pete Lakes Outlet.** The BRRWD will discuss this project with Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) tomorrow at their annual meeting in Detroit Lakes. Landowner Wayne Bakken called today to find out if we were going to hold informational meeting to discuss this concern. The Board will try to schedule a meeting later this spring, after the spring runoff.

**Project No. 66, Tansem/Ranum Lakes Outlet.** The BRRWD will discuss this project with MNDOT at their annual meeting tomorrow in Detroit Lakes. The Board discussed the downstream landowner opposition. It appears that the only one to benefit from a project would be Brad and Lanessa Hersch, who have options other than an outlet, including a buyout (pending available funding), or relocation of their house.

**Project No. 65, County Line Outlet.** This project will be a discussion topic at the MNDOT annual meeting tomorrow in Detroit Lakes. Jones prepared a detailed project summary of the ditch along I-94, which includes an elevation profile. Jones thinks it would take minimal excavation of the I-94 road ditch to use it to drain water eventually to Wilkin County Ditch No. 41-Branch 5. Albright and Manager Nelson plan to attend the MNDOT meeting.

**Project No. 64, LaBelle/Boyer Lakes Outlet.** Jones presented the Engineer's Report. **Motion** by Hanson to accept the Engineer's Report and to distribute it for comments. The Board also authorized Jones to start the permitting process. **Seconded** by VanAmburg. **Approved.**

Ellefson questioned if there could be any opposition to the proposed project. Jones thought that MNDOT and the Townships would support the project, and most of the landowners are in agreement with the proposal. There might be some concerns from permitting agencies. Jones addressed the r-o-w acquisition requirements in his Report. Jones thought that part of the hearing process would be to add the project benefit area of the Becker County Ditch No. 9. County Ditch No. 9 also requires a redetermination of benefits proceeding. Albright suggested this could all be addressed in one hearing. Ellefson felt that the Board should conduct a redetermination of benefits for County Ditch No. 9 before the project is completed. Jones explained that Appraisers will have to determine benefits for the outlet project, and Viewers will prepare a report regarding the redetermination of benefits for County Ditch No. 9. VanAmburg pointed out that the ditch system will not be responsible for the outlet project costs. The redetermination proceeding for County Ditch No. 9 will include the acquisition and installation of bufferstrips. Jones still needs to do an analysis to determine the amount of bufferstrips needed. Albright noted that the outlet project could pay a one-time outlet fee to County Ditch No. 9 instead of becoming part of the ditch system benefit area.

Albright briefly discussed outletting the project through Sheldon Johnson's field/pasture, which makes more sense than going through the highest part of the hill along T.H. No. 10. Albright will schedule a time to meet with Johnson regarding this issue. LiDAR for this area will be available in May, and Jones will be able to use to this information to help identify the best outlet route.

**Project No. 56, Manston Slough Restoration.** The Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (LOHC) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant (CPLG) agreement is ready for signature. **Motion** by Nelson to sign LOHC Grant Agreement. **Seconded** by Paradeis Kobiela. **Approved.**

**Project No. 54, Whisky Creek Tributaries.** Manager Nelson reported that Virgil Holt is in the hospital, so a meeting with Brian Durenky regarding his project to clean the ditch on the east side of C.R. No. 25 north to the DNR protected waterway just south of Holt's farmyard is on hold.

**Project No. 49, Oakport Flood Mitigation.** The Construction Committee will meet on Friday, March 12, 2010, at 9:00 AM. Oakport Township and Clay County are working with the Army Corps of Engineers (COE) on temporary diking in preparation for the spring flood.

Tim Crompton submitted an offer to purchase the Steve Buck house for \$12,000. The closing on the Buck house is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon. The Board has agreed to consider Crompton's bid after we purchase Buck's house. Albright noted that Crompton will have to protect it if he doesn't get it moved before the flood. The purchase price will include a \$3,000 deposit, which we will refund when Crompton gets the house moved. **Motion** by Hanson to accept Crompton's \$12,000 bid. **Seconded** by Paradeis Kobiela. **Approved.**

Master Construction submitted a bid of \$25,000 for basement demolition, sewer and water disconnect, cap sewer, and backfill the basement with clay borrow material for the sewer and water lines for 6413 Broadway ST NW. Currently, both the sewer and water are open and could be affected by floodwaters. **Motion** by VanAmburg to accept Master Construction's bid. **Seconded** by Hanson. **Approved.** Ellefson asked if the Board should solicit bids for this type of work in the future or hire it done on an hourly rate. The Board discussed the demolition costs. Jones explained that this work needs to be completed before the impending flood occurs.

Albright noted that he received notice this weekend that our flood insurance for the buyout properties was not in place. According to the letters we received from the insurance company, funding for the federal flood insurance program was allowed to expire, and when/if the program is reinstated, we'll be notified. The Board discussed this issue. Nelson thought that the insurance program had been reinstated just last week. Albright will check on this issue.

**Project No. 39, Georgetown Levee.** Rick St Germain, H.E., has scheduled a meeting on 3/23/10 with Georgetown Mayor Tracie Goble and the City Council to discuss potential home buyouts with Albright and the Managers. Hanson thought he would be able to attend.

Justin Jackson's appraisal has been completed, and he has decided to accept the \$26,000 appraised value. **Motion** by VanAmburg to purchase the Jackson property. **Seconded** by Paradeis Kobiela. **Approved.** The Board discussed including the Jackson house/garage in the Oakport auction this spring. According to DNR criteria, the structure would have to be moved out of the floodplain and couldn't be relocated in Georgetown.

**MNDOT Petitions.** Hearings will be held on Monday, April 5, 2010, at 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM, in the Moorhead City Council Chambers to review petitions filed by MNDOT to work on Clay County Ditch Nos. 50 (T.H. No. 10) and 9 (T.H. No. 75). H.E. is working on project recommendations. The office will mail notices to affected landowners this week.

**Mediation PT.** The next PT meeting will be held March 25, 2010, at the MSUM Science Center near Glyndon.

**RWMP.** Meetings have been scheduled for 3/18/10 in Barnesville and 3/30/10 in Hawley for public review of the draft RWMP. Notices have been published in local newspapers. Albright noted that we have received comments on the draft plan from the COE regarding their concurrence points. Jones received comments from the City of Dilworth regarding concern about the City's water source. He noted that Lisa

Jetvig, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Hawley, also contacted him regarding the City's concerns about the proposed watershed management districts (WMDs). Jones provided documentation regarding the process to her. Albright presented the draft RWMP to the Red River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Work Group (RRBFDRWG) meeting in Detroit Lakes on 3/02/10. He noted that the WorkGroup approved the draft RWMP. Hearing notices will be sent to the newspapers this week. Agency comments are due by 3/27/10.

**Clay County Ditch No. 49.** The third and final hearing for the redetermination of benefits is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16, 2010, at 7:00 PM in the Basement Meeting Room, Moorhead City Hall. Notices have been sent.

**Wilkin County Ditch No. 40.** Albright has been in contact with Dave Yaggie regarding his irrigation system retrofit. He has been soliciting bids/quotes for his project. Yaggie thinks he may fall short of funding for his project with just the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and DNR payments by about \$30,000. He forwarded the bids he received to the office today. Albright will review the quotes and contact Yaggie. The Board discussed the proposals/bids.

**Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Civic Engagement Process.** The BRRWD met today with representatives from Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) regarding the Civic Engagement Process. They talked with the University of Wisconsin via a conference call regarding the survey development. Albright explained that there will be three separate surveys aimed at three different populations: urban, agricultural producers, and non-agricultural rural landowners. Molly MacGregor plans to have the surveys ready to distribute by April. Actual survey distribution could start around Jun 1, 2010.

MacGregor has scheduled space in the Natural Resource Building on the Clay County Fair Grounds for the BRRWD to participate in the Government Day during the Fair. The Study Circle meetings are coming up on March 11 and 25, 2010, at the Wells Fargo Bank, Barnesville. The two informational meetings tentatively scheduled for April 6 and 8 to discuss the TMDL study for the Buffalo River have been cancelled. MPCA feels they need more time to have information ready for the meetings, which will be rescheduled for sometime in June. Albright will contact Hildebrand Hall and the City of Hawley to let them know we will be rescheduling those meetings. The Board briefly discussed other possible meeting locations in Barnesville.

**Hay Creek/Stinking Lake Clean Water Legacy (CWL).** The Becker SWCD/NRCS provided a summary of the project. Albright noted that the project could use additional funding. The Board discussed some of the sites where more work could be done. Hanson questioned how much money the SWCD has left from the annual BRRWD contribution. It could be that they might be able to use some of that funding for this project.

**COE F-M Metro Area Study.** VanAmburg reported that the main topic at the last Metro Task Force meeting was downstream impact concerns. The Board discussed the meeting that Congressman Collin Peterson held on 2/27/10. Peterson feels that the COE may be setting some artificial deadlines regarding the selection of the Locally Preferred Plan (LPP). Congressman Peterson called the ranking COE officer, who indicated that both diversion plan studies (Minnesota/North Dakota) could be completed by 12/31/10. At this point, Peterson explained, funding deadlines are meaningless, as there will be no funding available for any projects until after December. Peterson thought that the North Dakota diversion should at least be studied to avoid opposition if the Minnesota diversion is finally selected. VanAmburg felt that the Task Force should move to continue to study both projects at the same time. If both projects are continued, the COE could fall back on the Minnesota diversion if the North Dakota diversion isn't feasible. A North Dakota group promoting the North Dakota diversion alternative gave a presentation at a recent Task Force meeting.

Jones presented a summary of his report regarding the downstream flooding impacts of the proposed Minnesota 35,000 cubic feet per (cfs) diversion. The report included downstream flooding impacts on land, rural residences, and the City of Georgetown. It also discussed impacts on roads, the diversion footprint impacts, legal drainage system impacts and implications, and local drainage considerations. The Board reviewed impact area maps and had an extended discussion regarding this issue. The Report is on file in the BRRWD office for review. H.E. will prepare copies of the report for distribution. VanAmburg noted that he received a letter from concerned Dilworth landowners regarding the effects of a possible Minnesota diversion project on the Buffalo aquifer and future Dilworth expansion.

**River Watch Financial Support.** Wayne Goeken, River Watch Coordinator, Red River Watershed Management Board (RRWMB), sent a request for a BRRWD contribution to the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual River Watch Forum on 3/17/10 at the University of Minnesota-Crookston Campus. **Motion** by Nelson to contribute \$200 to the event. **Seconded** by VanAmburg . **Approved.**

**Project No. 37, Clay County Ditch No. 41-Lat No. 1.** At their 2/22/10 meeting, the Board tabled a Minnkota Power Cooperation permit application for an easement to replace the existing poles in Section 1, Moorhead Township. The application stated that the new poles would be located 5' inside of the ditch r-o-w boundary. They offered to pay the BRRWD \$17,062.50 for the utility easement. Recently, Kelly Anderson, Minnkota Power, contacted Albright with a correction to their permit application. Two structure anchors will now be located on the north side of the ditch on the ditch r-o-w. Minnkota sent a revised easement payment agreement for the Board's review, which increases their payment to \$17,250.00. Albright and Manager VanAmburg will conduct a field review of the site. **Tabled,** pending Manager field review.

**2010 Hamden Slough NWR Water Management Plan.** The USFWS has submitted the Hamden Slough 2010 operation plan for the Board's review. Albright will provide a copy to Jones for his review.

**Olson Thank-You Card.** The Board received a thank you note from retired BRRWD Manager E. Robert Olson for the retirement party held for him on 2/12/10.

**Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts (MAWD) Legislative Breakfast.** MAWD has scheduled their Legislative Breakfast in St. Paul for March 10-11, 2010. Albright visited with Tera Guetter, Pelican River Watershed District (PRWD), regarding issues they would like to cover during the meetings with local Legislators. To date, Representatives Eken and Marquart, and Senator Langseth have not responded to our invitation. Representative Morrie Lanning plans to set up a meeting with the BRRWD later in the day on 3/10/10. The Board discussed travel plans and the proposed bonding bill.

The following bills were presented for approval:

Accounts Payable	Description	Account	Amount
Barnesville Phone Co.	2/25/10 Billings (2)	Admin	\$ 166.97
Breanna Paradeis Kobiela	#10-05, 1/01/10-2/28/10	Varies	\$ 640.06
Curtis M. Nelson	#10-03, 1/01/10-2/28/10	Varies	\$ 604.57
Dale & Judy Stoll	Easement	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 29,100.00
DL Newspapers	#CL04023532, Hearing Notice	RWMP	\$ 345.40
Gerald L. VanAmburg	#10-04, 1/01/10-2/28/10	Varies	\$ 855.39
H.E.	February billing summary	Varies-see attached	\$ 82,834.25
Haugen's Landscaping	#356, open roads/snow removal	Pj. 46, Turtle Lake	\$ 600.00
ICS Agency, Inc.	#38762, flood insurance fee	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 400.00
ICS Agency, Inc.	#38784, buyout insurance	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 21,731.86
ICS Agency, Inc.	#38789, add State of MN	Pj. 56, Manston Slough	\$ 54.00

John E. Hanson	#10-02, 1/01/10-2/28/10	Varies	\$ 948.36
Kent B. & Julie R. Krabbenhoft	Easement	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 26,481.00
Petty Cash	Postage, supplies, etc.	Admin	\$ 100.00
Premium Waters, Inc.	#366590-02-10	Admin	\$ 19.82
Quill	#37771717, 3777085, supplies	Admin	\$ 83.70
RM Hoefs & Associates, Inc.	Justin Jackson appraisal	Pj. 39, Georgetown	\$ 731.20
Roger G. Ellefson	#10-01, 1/01/10-2/28/10	Varies	\$ 523.34
RRWMB	15th Annual River Watch Forum	M.S.A. 103D.905, Subd. 3	\$ 200.00
The Hawley Herald, Inc.	#957, hearing notice	RWMP	\$ 426.24
TRN Abstract & Title F-M	#6173828, Abstract	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 155.00
TRN Abstract & Title F-M	#6174410, Shaner abstract	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 150.00
TRN Abstract & Title F-M	#6174492, Justin Jackson abstract	Pj. 39, Georgetown	\$ 155.00
TRN Abstract & Title F-M	#6174885, 6174897, Albertson	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 310.00
Wayne M. & Ruthie R. Zitzow	Easement	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 19,263.00
WREC	1/19/10-2/19/10 service (2)	Pj. 46, Turtle Lake	\$ 394.92
Xcel Energy	2/26/2010 Service (10)	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 1,744.71
			<b>\$ 189,018.79</b>

**Motion** by Nelson to approve payment of the bills. **Seconded** by VanAmburg. **Approved**.

**Next Meeting**. The Board of Managers, BRRWD, will hold their next regular meeting on Monday, March 22, 2010, in the Barnesville office at 8:00 PM.

**Adjournment**. Chairman Ellefson adjourned the meeting at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Hanson, Secretary