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MINUTES FOR MANAGERS' MEETING September 14, 2015

The Board of Managers, Buffalo-Red River Watershed District (BRRWD), held their regular meeting on Monday, September 14, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the Barnesville office. BRRWD Managers present were Gerald L. Van Amburg, John E. Hanson, Breanna L. Kobiela, Mark T. Anderson, Catherine L. Affield, and Peter V. Fjestad. BRRWD Staff attending included: Bruce E. Albright, Administrator, Erik S. Jones, Engineer, and Kathy Fenger, Administrative Assistant, Houston Engineering, Inc. (HEI). Others attending included: Attorney Zenas Baer, Attorney Roger Minch, and landowners: Robert Minch, Lois Minch, and Greg Grommesh.

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

Secretary's Report. The Board reviewed draft minutes for the 08/24/15 BRRWD meeting and the 07/21/15 Clay County Ditch (C.D.) No. 11 hearing. Affield noted a few minor corrections for the C.D. No. 11 minutes. **Motion** by Anderson to approve the minutes, subject to correction. **Seconded** by Affield. **Approved.**

New Office Staff. Albright introduced Kathleen Fenger, who is our new BRRWD administrative assistant. Fenger started with the BRRWD on 09/08/15.

Treasurer's Report. The Board reviewed the BRRWD's monthly financial statements, including the project account balance sheet, administrative disbursements, summary of income, and the accounts receivable report. Cash on hand is \$2,171,094.95. Administrative disbursements for the year are \$243,461.83. Current accounts receivable total \$2,207,311.37. Our total income to date is \$3,896,304.44. Income since the 08/10/15 meeting totals \$197,352.63, primarily from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for Project No. 39, Georgetown Levee (\$22,035.89) and Project No. 56, Manston Slough (\$124,738.82). We received payments from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the 2011 Flood (\$12,884.63) and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) for the Upper Red River Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Study (\$12,810.25). The Red River Watershed Management Board (RRWMB) forwarded \$9,500 for the Red River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Work Group (RRBFDRWG) assistance with our Revised Watershed Management Plan (RWMP) update, and the Minch Family Limited Partnership increased their petitioners' bond for Project No. 77, Clay C.D. No. 51-Lateral No. 3 (\$15,000).

Fjestad asked if an item on the Accounts Receivable Summary regarding Blayne Tonsfeldt's ringdike billing had been resolved. Albright reported that Tonsfeldt has indicated that if he still owes the BRRWD money now that the culvert exchange issue has been resolved, we should send him a bill, and he will make payment. Albright noted that the office will take care of the billing.

Van Amburg asked about the status of the Upper South Branch of the Buffalo River project funding from Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR). Albright reported that work is progressing, but was delayed because of our work on the Carolyn Swenson channel restoration study, which was abandoned after Swenson decided she was no longer interested in a project. BWSR has indicated they will consider allowing a one-year extension for the grant until December 2016. The grant will provide 50% of the project expenses when the work is completed (\$228,500).

Motion by Anderson to approve the Treasurer's Report. **Seconded** by Fjestad. **Approved.**

Project No. 77, Clay C.D. No. 51-Lateral No. 3. In accordance with Minnesota Drainage Law, the BRRWD held the final hearing for Project No. 77 on Thursday, August 27, 2015, in the Moorhead City Hall Council Chambers with all seven Managers in attendance. The hearing was adjourned, and no further testimony can be received regarding the project. Albright explained that the next step in the process in accordance with M.S.A. 103E.341 is for the Board to decide if the project should move forward. Albright drafted an Order for the Board's review. **Motion** by Anderson to approve the Order to construct Project No. 77, C.D. No. 51-Lateral No. 3 and authorize Chair Van Amburg and Secretary Hanson to sign the document. **Seconded** by Fjestad. The vote was unanimous. **Approved.**

Later in the meeting, the Board briefly discussed the Order. The 30-day appeal period begins tonight.

Grommesh Diking Concern. Albright gave a brief history of the drainage issues in Section 28, Barnesville Township, Clay County. HEI completed a survey of the 0.5 mile stretch of ditch along the west side of Greg Grommesh's property in the NW¼, Section 28, Barnesville Township, Clay County, to determine existing culvert elevations and a potential ditch repair gradeline to ensure that Grommesh has the correct elevation for a new field approach culvert along 140th ST S. Albright forwarded the survey results to landowners Paul Quinnild and Greg Grommesh, and has had conversations with both landowners regarding the results. The survey showed that water can't drain south to Clay C.D. No. 54 on the south side of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) No. 2 because Grommesh's 18" dia. field approach culvert is too high. However, because NuStar Energy Company pipeline is too shallow in this location, Grommesh probably won't be able to achieve the correct gradeline and required culvert sizing (42" dia.) to drain water south to C.D. No. 54. BRRWD Attorney Tami Norgard, Vogel Law Firm, investigated pipeline elevation regulations. State and Federal laws differ regarding pipeline depth standards.

Using the overhead monitors, Albright explained the survey results. Greg Grommesh has a drainage proposal that includes removing one field approach culvert along 140th ST S, adding two new approaches along 140th ST S with 42" dia. pipes, and adding a second culvert to a field approach crossing off CSAH No. 2. Grommesh will need to discuss his proposal with Barnesville Township and the Clay County Highway Department. Grommesh will also eventually need to file a BRRWD permit application to do the work. Albright will also discuss this proposal with Paul Quinnild.

Business brought before the Board included:

Permit No. 15-099, William Gifford. Applicant proposes to add an approach and 24" dia. culvert on the west side of the Buffalo River off 15th AVE N to access a new pole shed on his property in the NE¼, Section 2, Glyndon Township, Clay County.

Permit No. 15-100, Mark T. Anderson. Applicant proposes to install an approach and new 30" dia. x 48' long corrugated metal pipe (CMP) placed on grade off 130th AVE S on the line between the NE¼ and the NW¼, Section 12, Holy Cross Township, Clay County. The approach will be shared with the adjacent landowner, John Ready.

Permit No. 15-101, Mark Askegaard. Applicant proposes to install pattern tiling in the NW¼, Section 5, Wolverton Township, Wilkin County, outletting via a lift station to the Trunk Highway (T.H.) No. 75 ditch. The drainage will cross downstream properties before reaching the Red River. Albright noted that Askegaard submitted signed permission forms from his downstream neighbors.

Permit No. 15-102, Polar Communications. Applicant proposes to install new fiber optic cable in Section 3, 4, and 10, Roberts Township, Wilkin County. At this time, the installation does not affect any legal drainage systems under BRRWD jurisdiction. However, permit approval will be subject to our

standard utility disclaimer stating that if their facilities ever impact one of our projects/ditches, they will have to move the cables at their expense.

Permit No. 15-103, Lake Region Electric Cooperative. Applicant proposes to install an underground electrical distribution line under Wilkin C.D. No. 41 in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 12, Atherton Township, to service a tile lift station for Ryan and Michael Hough.

Permit No. 15-104, Brian Wang. Applicant proposes to install pattern tiling in the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 9, Moland Township, Clay County, draining via two gravity flow outlets directly into Clay C.D. No. 3 to which the property is assessed.

Permit No. 15-105, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)/BWSR. Applicant proposes to install multiple Wetlands Restoration Project (WRP) sites in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 21, Akron Township, Wilkin County, including shallow scrapes, an embankment with a spillway, and filling in a surface ditch with the spoil. There will also be a small gravel pit reclamation of less than 2 acres. Albright suggested that Manager Larson should conduct a final review this application.

Permit No. 15-106, Ed Ernst. Applicant proposes to clean road ditches, create a berm along 140th ST S in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 29, Barnesville Township, Clay County, and lower an existing inlet culvert on the quarterline into Clay C.D. No. 54. Ernst also wants a new 18" dia. CMP with a flapgate installed 0.5 miles to the west into C.D. No. 54, as a ditch system expense.

Permit No. 15-107, Wayne Zimmerman. Applicant proposes to install an inlet culvert with a flapgate in his field ditch in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 6, Morken Township, Clay County.

Permit No. 15-108, Mike Yaggie. Applicant proposes to pattern tile the S $\frac{1}{2}$, Section 32, Akron Township, Wilkin County, outletting via a lift station in the southwest corner of the field to Wilkin C.D. No. 3 to which it is assessed. The Board briefly discussed a project that was petitioned for in 2013, which was not built. The landowners did the work themselves, but did not incorporate the rock drop structures Jones had recommended for the project, causing washouts this spring. This tiling project should address some of the area erosion problems.

Permit No. 15-109, City of Moorhead. Applicant proposes to install sewer, water, storm sewer, and streets for the Horizon Shores 9th Addition subdivision. This project is being developed in accordance with the City of Moorhead's Master Plan.

Permit No. 15-110/15-111, Roger Minch/Philip Rogers. Applicants propose to construct WRP sites in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 5, Humboldt Township Clay County, with shallow wetland scraping, ditch filling, and earthen ditch plugs per NRCS design.

Permit No. 15-112, Randy Bjornson. Applicant proposes to install a 12" dia. drain tile in a drainage ditch in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 14, Skree Township, Clay County, extending from the culvert under the driveway for approximately 750' west to a wetland area that is part of the Bjornson Wetland Retention project. The group discussed the tile sizing. Jones will investigate and make a recommendation regarding the tile size based on the watershed hydraulics.

Permit No. 15-113, Brad Brinkman/Kathleen Chaffee. Applicant proposes to install a driveway with a 24" dia. culvert to access their property from County Road (C.R.) No. 72 in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 31, Riverton Township, Clay County. Wade Opsahl, Technician, HEI, met with the applicants on site. The Clay County Highway Department will furnish the culvert.

Motion by Hanson to approve Permit Nos. 15-099 through 15-113, subject to the applicable standard disclaimers and road authorities' permission to work within their road right-of-way (r-o-w), including the noted Manager Larson field review for Permit No. 15-105 and Jones' recommendations for Permit No. 15-112. **Seconded** by Fjestad. **Approved.** Manager Anderson abstained from voting on Permit No. 15-100.

Scott McCaslin Tiling Outlet Concerns. Albright reported that Duane Hanson contacted him regarding the removal of the tile block on their property in the NE¹/₄, Section 23, Hamden Township, Becker County. Vogel Law Firm has prepared a complaint regarding the Board decision to seek a court order for the Hansons to remove the tile block. The Board agreed to delay the court order until Albright can meet with the Hansons.

Project No. 75, Wilkin C.D. No. 31-Lateral. Albright contacted Sharon Josephson regarding her easement, who reported she has one more relative left to sign the easement. Albright would like to have the easement issue resolved as soon as possible.

The Wilkin County Highway Department has about two weeks of work left before they are ready to start on this project.

Project No. 73, Country Heritage Ditch. Albright reported that Haugen's Landscaping has completed the repairs and reseeded the ditch. Opsahl was on site and took elevation measurements to be sure the ditch will drain properly.

Project No. 61, Clay C.D. No. 11. HEI opened bids for the Board's review for the slide repair east of T.H. No. 75 and the outlet structure replacement west of T.H. No. 75. The ditch system repair hearing was held on 07/21/15 and the Board approved the Findings and Order for the project at their 07/27/15 meeting. Jones noted that there were 13 bidders. The low bidder was Riley Brothers Construction, Inc., Morris, MN, for \$216,859.00. The Engineer's estimate was \$218,592.00. **Motion** by Anderson to award the construction contract to Riley Brothers Construction, Inc. **Seconded** by Affield. **Approved.** The completion date is December 31, 2015. The outlet work will be completed after beet harvest. Anderson asked to be notified when the work near Rustic Oaks is scheduled to begin so he can notify the owner. Jones briefly discussed a new State Responsible Contractor bid requirement for a self-certification statement for any contract over \$50,000 that a few of the bidders neglected to include. Bids from those contractors were thrown out, but did not affect the low bid.

Project No. 56, Manston Slough Restoration. Albright reported that the Stuehrenberg easement has been signed and recorded at the Wilkin County Courthouse, which completes the easement acquisitions for the Manston project. He plans to submit a final pay request to the DNR to close out the project grant before the 09/30/15 deadline.

Project No. 54, Whiskey Creek Tributaries. Finish Grade Construction, Inc., is working on the repairs for Scott and Betty Anderson's property in the N¹/₂NW¹/₄, Section 14, Barnesville Township, Clay County, which the Board approved at their 07/27/15 meeting.

Project No. 49, Oakport Flood Mitigation. Albright reported that Chair Van Amburg signed the DNR grant agreement contract last week, per the Board's previous authorization, and the contract was returned to the DNR on Friday. The official start date for the Phase 4 Grant is 09/15/15. Ulteig Engineers, Inc. (UEI) has been notified to start the preparation of Plans and Specifications for the bidding process. Albright will start working on easement re-acquisition because the Phase 4 temporary construction easements have expired due to the delay in State funding, which held up project completion. He plans to check on the Clay County website to see if ownership has changed for any of the parcels, and then contact the landowners with a request for them to sign an easement amendment to extend the temporary construction easement. UEI plans to open bids on 10/13/15, and the Board will be able to review the results at their meeting that

night. Albright noted that he will forward the lease payment analysis to the Fischer family when he contacts them to extend their temporary construction easement.

The Clay County Highway Department is considering a mill and overlay project for Wall ST NW. Albright explained that some repairs to Wall ST are also included in Phase 4, and the County suggested that we could add their work to our quantities and have our contractor do both sections on Wall ST. The County work would be added to our contract and when it is completed, the BRRWD could bill the County for their portion of the costs.

Project No. 42, Clay C.D. No. 67. At their 08/24/15 meeting, the Board awarded the construction contract to Olson Construction of Lake Park, Inc. The pre-construction meeting is planned for 09/21/15. The Board signed the contract paperwork.

Project No. 39, Georgetown Levee. Albright reported that the Greywind house has been demolished, and the cleanup list is nearly completed. Opsahl will meet with the City Council prior to releasing the contractor to be sure all items have been addressed.

US Bank, the mortgage holder on the old Greywind property, has hired ARC Appraisals to determine a value for Greywind's new house. Albright explained that the best scenario would be that Greywind could keep his original US Bank mortgage with the new house added onto it, the Court would award Greywind the \$20,000 the BRRWD deposited for the value for his house during the condemnation proceedings, which he can then turn back over to the BRRWD so that we don't have to enter into a Contract for Deed with him.

Project No. 38, Farmstead Ring Dikes. The 2015 Legislature allocated \$400,000 for farmstead ringdikes in the Red River Valley to be administered by the RRWMB. Opsahl is working on a list of potential ringdike candidates who are still interested in the program, which will be forwarded to Ron Harnack, RRWMB, who has asked us for an estimate of the number/costs for possible 2015 ringdike projects. The Board reviewed six candidates and discussed prioritization/scoring options.

Project No. 30, Clay/Wilkin J.D. No. 1. William Nichol Excavating, Inc. will finish the last 0.5 miles of the J.D. No. 1 repairs in Clay County once the standing crop is off later this fall.

Project No. 1, Wilkin C.D. No. 22. The hearing for the incremental implementation of vegetated buffer strips and side inlet controls is scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the Barnesville Watershed office for Wilkin C.D. Nos. 5A, 26, and 22 (Laterals Nos. 1 and 2). Notices have been mailed. Albright noted a few landowners visited the office with questions regarding the new 2015 Legislation regarding bufferstrip requirements. Additional work includes the installation of grade stabilization at the outlet of each drainage system in accordance with the DNR permit issued for the restoration of Wolverton Creek. Albright noted that the new State bufferstrip law actually relegates the responsibility for the bufferstrip installation to the landowner, not the drainage authorities. The Board felt we should assist the landowners within our jurisdiction to implement the new law by providing a uniform plan to establish bufferstrips on our legal ditch systems. About 50% of the grade stabilization structures and right-of-way (r-o-w) acquisition costs for the project will be covered by a BWSR grant (approximately \$150,000).

Ditch/Project Booklet. HEI is working on a booklet regarding the BRRWD's ditch systems/projects for the Board's information and reference. At this point, the draft booklet is in PDF format and will include County maps showing ditch locations, benefit area maps, and buffer establishment information.

Mediation Project Team (PT). The PT met on 09/10/15, and the next meeting will be held on 12/10/15 in the Barnesville office at 1:30 PM when the PT will go to their winter daytime meeting schedule. The Fall Tour is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2015. Later in the meeting, Van Amburg noted that he is in contact with Cathee Pullman, State Conservationist, NRCS, and has invited her to attend the

BRRWD's Fall Tour. He also invited her to attend one of our PT meetings to discuss possible retention funding.

South Branch of the Buffalo River. Albright reported that an expanded retention area (5,000 acre-feet) plus setback levees on the channel from T.H. No. 9 to the Clay/Wilkin County line will still yield the desired 10%-15% flow reductions for the 100-year event at the Clay County line. Once a project cost estimate is prepared, the BRRWD will need to meet with the affected landowners and start the funding search.

Barnesville Township Area Study. Jones is working with NuStar Energy Company and the Magellan Pipeline Company to determine the depth of their pipelines and to potentially lower their pipelines to accommodate improved area drainage and a possible retention area. Attorney Norgard has forwarded information regarding State/Federal pipeline regulations. The Board discussed Jones' work with the pipeline companies and HEI survey results regarding the depth of the pipelines.

Stony Creek Comprehensive Project. Jones continues to work with Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) on the design for a possible structure through Interstate-94 (I-94).

Jones also has been working with the Minnesota DNR Dam Safety office to determine the dam design classification. HEI plans to submit the preliminary dam breach analysis to the Dam Safety office this week.

Albright noted that BWSR has a new grant opportunity (\$675,000) through the Multipurpose Drainage Management Competitive program to provide funding for projects that fit into the new drainage law legislation. This funding opportunity will be available for projects that incorporate multipurpose features, such as treatment storage/wetlands, two-stage ditches, etc., which would provide a combination of benefits, including retention, flood control, and water quality. Jones attended a workshop in Ada, MN, on 09/10/15 regarding this program. He suggested that the BRRWD submit a grant application for the Stony Creek (Clay C.D. No. 31) project. The Request For Proposals (RFP) period opened on 08/31/15 and will run through 10/30/15. The Board thought that we should pursue this funding option.

RWMP/Watershed District Enlargement (WDE). BWSR plans to send out public notices regarding the boundary changes with the Bois de Sioux Watershed District and the BRRWD. Assuming there are no comments, BWSR will issue a Board Order to adopt the new boundary. Albright and Jones continue to work on proofing the draft RWMP.

Army Corps of Engineers (COE) F-M Diversion. The DNR's Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) has been prepared, and the public comment period will run from 09/14/15 to 10/28/15. A public informational meeting to review the EIS will be held Wednesday, October 14, 2015, from 5:00-10:00 PM at the Courtyard by Marriott, Moorhead, MN. The DNR will make a formal presentation of the DEIS at 7:00 PM that evening.

Upper Red River TMDL. The draft reports are finished for the Upper Red TMDL and Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategies (WRAPS). Both documents have been forwarded to the MPCA for their review and comment. A public informational meeting regarding both reports has been tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, November 4, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the BRRWD Barnesville office.

Elkton Township Wetland Restoration. HEI has forwarded the requested project information to Auto Owners Insurance Company regarding Chuck Anderson crop loss claim. To date, there has been no

response from them. There are some issues regarding the easement revisions that our Attorney Corey Elmer, Vogel Law Firm, is working on with BWSR.

Wolverton Creek/Comstock Coulee. Chair Van Amburg and Administrator Albright presented the Wolverton Creek Habitat Restoration Project to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (LSOHC) on 09/02/15 in St Paul. Van Amburg felt the interview went well. Jones prepared the display board and factsheet for the interview. If approved, the LSOHC grant could provide up to \$4.963 million for the project.

Lower Otter Tail River Restoration. Albright noted that he has been in contact with the COE regarding potential Section 1135 Habitat Restoration Program funding. The COE will be invited to the next Restoration Steering Committee meeting in December. The COE is also interested in using this restoration project and/or the Wolverton Creek/Comstock Coulee Restoration project as mitigation for their FM Diversion project.

River Keepers. River Keepers extended an invitation for the Board to attend their award-winning Red River Water Festival on either September 23 or 24, 2015, at the Hjemkomst Center, Moorhead. The BRRWD recently agreed to increase our annual River Keepers contribution to \$55,000. Albright distributed a River Keepers activity report for the Board's review.

Nordick Demonstration. A Field Demonstration will be held on Friday, September 18, 2015, from 12:00-3:00 PM at the Nordick Drainage Demonstration Project, Rothsay, MN, regarding the Drainage Water Management program. The event starts at noon with lunch. The BRRWD agreed previously to contribute up to \$26,000 toward this project.

RRWMB Update. Albright distributed a handout regarding RRWMB activities from Ron Harnack, RRWMB Coordinator. The Board plans to schedule meetings this winter with landowners and County Commissioners to discuss potential future RRWMB membership.

Clay C.D. No. 10 Repairs. Terracon, Inc., provided a report regarding slumping problems for C.D. No. 10. HEI will prepare repair recommendations for the Board's review.

Blue Eagle Lake. Albright distributed an update regarding the Blue Eagle Lake Sediment Pond Restoration project.

Lobbyist Report. BRRWD Lobbyist Joel Carlson forwarded an update for the Board's review.

BRRWD Rules Update. The Board discussed scheduling time to discuss an update of our Rules and other issues sometime this winter.

Hovland Irrigation Permit. The DNR sent notification of a pending irrigation permit for Lyle Hovland to seal an old irrigation well and drill a new well on his property in Prairie View Township, Wilkin County. The Board had no comment on the proposed project.

Clean Water Fund (CWF) 2016 Grant Applications. At their 08/10/15 meeting, the Board agreed to participate in a study to target and measure altered hydrology and approved an \$11,000 match. A CWF application for \$184,000 was submitted to fund this study, which will try to calculate the amount of sediment loading that is occurring within stream channels. Other applications Jones submitted were for outlet repairs on Clay C.D. No. 23 (\$82,000), and outlet repairs on Clay C.D. No. 39 and field inlets on Clay C.D. No. 59 (\$176,000).

North Country National Scenic Trail. Albright noted that he continues to work with the promoters of the National Scenic Trail regarding their efforts to find a viable route from Maplewood Park to Fort Abercrombie.

The following bills were presented for approval:

Accounts Payable	Description	Account	Amount
AmeriPride	#160309338, 8/31/15 billing, office rugs	Admin	\$ 53.44
ARC Appraisals	Greywind condemnation	Pj. 39, Georgetown	\$ 750.00
Barnesville Phone Co.	08/25/15 billings	Admin	\$ 289.02
Barnesville Record-Review	Budget Hearing notice (2)	Admin	\$ 468.00
Bruce E. Albright	Lodging/meals-LSOHC presentation	Wolverton Creek	\$ 414.14
Bruce E. Albright	08/27/15 Fryn' Pan-Viewers' supper	Pj. 77, Clay 51-Lat. 3	\$ 42.93
Bruce E. Albright	Wilkin Co. Recoding Fee-Stuehrenberg	Pj. 56, Manston	\$ 46.00
Carmen Pattengale	August cleaning (2)	Admin	\$ 130.00
Chris Hoppe Lawn Care	August mowing (4)	Admin	\$ 427.50
City of Barnesville	06/29/15-07/29/15 utilities	Admin	\$ 368.65
Clay County Union	Budget Hearing notice (2)	Admin	\$ 744.24
Dacotah Paper Co.	#72996, office paper	Admin	\$ 132.33
Daily News	Budget Hearing notice (2)	Admin	\$ 269.28
Duane & Bonnie Stuehrenberg	Easement	Pj. 56, Manston	\$ 36,178.00
Finish Grade Const., Inc	Grade stabilization, Spoil leveling	Wilkin C.D. No. 41	\$ 13,638.00
Finish Grade Const., Inc.	#035862, Motschenbacher repairs	Pj. 31, Deerhorn	\$ 4,955.00
Fuchs Sanitation	July/August garbage billing	Admin	\$ 42.12
Gerald L. Van Amburg	#15-35, 07/01/15-08/31/15	Varies	\$ 1,338.20
H.E.	August billing summary	Varies-see attached	\$ 154,739.26
Haugens' Landscaping, Inc.	#1256, ditch grading	Pj. 73, Country Heritage	\$ 1,550.00
HES, Inc	#666969, Greywind insulation removal	Pj.39, Georgetown	\$ 6,515.00
Indiana Insurance Co.	Act. #700005106706, bond	Insurance	\$ 453.00
John E. Hanson	#1532, 07/01/15-08/31/15	Varies	\$ 1,353.25
Kathy Fenger	Admin-Reimb for office supplies	Admin	\$ 135.10
MN Dept. of Health	#00000295951, WQ testing	M.S.A. 103D.905, Subd. 3	\$ 512.00
New Century Press	Hearing/Bid Ads	Varies	\$ 335.80
Peter V. Fjestad	#1531, 07/01/15-08/31/15	Varies	\$ 866.59
Petty Cash	Postage, supplies, etc.	Admin	\$ 100.00
Premium Waters, Inc.	#366590-08-15, office water	Admin	\$ 34.37
Purchase Power	Meter postage	Admin	\$ 201.00
Quill	#7412200, Printer Cartridge/Supplies	Admin	\$ 146.16
Quill	#7495936, Office Supplies	Admin	\$ 26.16
Reiner Contracting, Inc.	Final Pay Request No. 5	Hawley Buffalo River	\$ 40,252.33
Rick Battles	Viewer-Final Hearing	Pj. 77, Clay 51-Lat. 3	\$ 597.50
RMB Environmental Labs	#277311, WQ analysis	M.S.A. 103D.905, Subd. 3	\$ 553.00
RMB Environmental Labs	#276872, WQ analysis	M.S.A. 103D.905, Subd. 3	\$ 395.00
RMB Environmental Labs	#277318, WQ analysis	M.S.A. 103D.905, Subd. 3	\$ 158.00
RMB Environmental Labs	#277100, WQ analysis	M.S.A. 103D.905, Subd. 3	\$ 26.00
RMB Environmental Labs	#2771010, WQ analysis	M.S.A. 103D.905, Subd. 3	\$ 395.00
Rodney Knutson	Viewer-Final Hearing	Pj. 77, Clay 51-Lat. 3	\$ 277.50
Ron Ringquist	Viewer-Final Hearing	Pj. 77, Clay 51-Lat. 3	\$ 1,290.39
RRVCPA	07/31/15-09/01/15 Service (3)	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 246.86
Stuart Bjorgan	2015 mowing	Clay 55, 10, 41, Stony Crk	\$ 4,480.00
Terracon, Inc.	#T682305, slope failure analysis	Pj. 40, Clay 41-Outlet	\$ 5,256.00
The Hawley Herald, Inc	Budget Hearing notice (2)	Admin	\$ 960.96
Tom Arnhalt	2014 crop damage	Pj. 56, Manston	\$ 550.00
TrueNorth Steel	#FP0000007300, Nichol Repair	Pj. #2, Wilkin C.D. #13	\$ 1,854.77

Vogel Law Firm	#159772, July billing	Admin	\$ 803.00
Vogel Law Firm	#159773, July billing	COE Diversion	\$ 391.00
Vogel Law Firm	#160434, August billing	Elkton Wetland Restoration	\$ 276.00
Vogel Law Firm	#160433, August billing - Greywind	Pj. 39, Georgetown	\$ 4,656.00
Wilkin Co. Hwy. Dept.	July Ditch Billings	Varies	\$ 50,899.72
WREC	07/17/15-08/18/15 service (2)	Pj. 46, Turtle Lake	\$ 62.65
Xcel Energy	07/27/15-08/25/15 service (2)	Pj. 49, Oakport	\$ 83.60
Xcel Energy	07/26/15-08/24/15 service	Admin	\$ 67.32
			\$ 341,787.14

Motion by Fjestad to approve payment of the bills. **Seconded** by Affield. **Approved.**

Next Meeting. The BRRWD will hold their next regular meeting on Monday, September 28, 2015, at 7:00 PM in our Barnesville office.

Adjournment. **Motion** by Anderson to adjourn the meeting. **Seconded** by Hanson. **Approved.** Chairman Van Amburg adjourned the meeting at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Hanson, Secretary