

MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE
STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Held in the Water Commission Office, State Capitol, August 2, 1943.

A regular meeting of the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission was held in the office of the Commission, State Capitol, on August 2, 1943. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Simens at 9:15 a.m. in the absence of Governor Meses, Chairman, with Commissioners Thompson, Orlady and Dahl present.

Commissioner Thompson moved that the minutes of the July 19, 1943, meeting be approved and adopted. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Carried.

It was decided at this meeting that a quorum composed of Governor Meses and Commissioners Simens and Orlady could make final disposition of the Red River Valley Drainage matter, if it were impossible for Commissioners Thompson and Dahl to attend a regular meeting of the State Water Conservation Commission.

Commissioner Orlady moved that the financial report for the month of July, 1943, be approved and adopted. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Carried.

Commissioner Dahl moved that the State Examiner's report dated September 1, 1942 - May 31, 1943, be referred to Commissioner Orlady, Chairman of the Audit and Finance Committee, for perusal. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Carried.

Commissioner Dahl moved that the salary increases for the Commission personnel, as recommended by the Secretary, be approved. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners voting aye. Governor Meses absent. Carried.

Commissioner Orlady moved that that part of the July 8, 1943, minutes regarding salary increases in the Commission personnel be amended, to read as follows: "All salary adjustments for the office personnel will be made by the Commission upon the recommendation of the Secretary." Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Carried.

Commissioner Thompson moved the adoption of the following resolution with regard to the repair of the Antelope Creek Dam, Mercer County, our project No. 246:

BE IT RESOLVED that in view of the emergency which exists for the repair of the dam on Antelope Creek near Hazen, North Dakota, and the probable chance of loss of life and large property damages in the event the dam should go out, the Water Commission waives the restrictions and limitations on dam repair which have been set at \$300.00 for each dam, and in this case, appropriate the sum of \$500.00, plus engineering services.

Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners voting aye. Governor Meses absent. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. A. L. Greenlee, Jr. Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey, and tell him that the U.S. Army Engineers' office in Omaha believes it advisable to defer ground water surveys until there is more definite information available as to the diversion route.

The matter of stream pollution at the Ft. Lincoln Internment Camp was referred to Commissioner Simens and the Secretary for disposal. Commissioner Simens suggested that the Water Commission cooperate with the State Health Department in its disposition of this matter.

Commissioner Thompson moved that the Secretary represent the Water Commission at the Tri-State Waters Commission meeting in Meerhead, Minnesota, August 6, 1943. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Carried.

Commissioner Dahl moved that the Water Commission, in order to ascertain the value of the land to be obtained from Mr. C. S. McCullech, Bismarck, for the Bismarck Irrigated Victory Gardens, adopt a policy whereby the Commission shall appoint an appraiser, Mr. McCullech appoint an appraiser and these two appraisers appoint a third party:

Further, that the Commission appoint Mr. George Brastrup, Bismarck, as the Commission's appraiser. Commissioner Orlady seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken with all Commissioners voting aye. Governor Moses absent. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. to the call of the Chair and the members proceeded to the Senate Chamber to attend the Missouri River Development Conference sponsored by the Missouri River States Committee.

Respectfully submitted,



Acting Secretary

ATTEST:



Chairman