

STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting
Held in Riverdale, North Dakota
June 11, 1953

A special meeting of the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission was held at Riverdale, North Dakota on June 11, 1953. Those present at the meeting were the following:

MEMBERS OF STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

- Curtis Olson, Vice-Chairman, Member from Valley City
- Einar Dahl, Member from Watford City
- Oscar Lunseth, Member from Grand Forks
- Math Dahl, Member from Bismarck and Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor
- Earle F. Tucker, Member from Bismarck
- J. J. Walsh, Secretary and Chief Engineer, State Engineer

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Olson at 11:30 o'clock A. M. with above commissioners and Secretary Walsh present.

The meeting of the Commission was called for the purpose of considering the request of the City Council of Casselton, North Dakota and of the Board of County Commissioners of Cass County to establish a water conservation and flood control district consisting of the territory in the Swan Creek drainage basin in Cass County.

The Commissioners discussed the creation of such a district and were informed that a public hearing was held in Casselton on June 8, 1953 on the petition at which Vice-Chairman Curtis Olson, Secretary J. J. Walsh, Atty. I. A. Acker, of the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission and approximately 25 people from the area for which the district is proposed were present. The only opposition to the creation of the district was voiced by representatives of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads.

Upon recommendation of Vice-Chairman Olson, Secretary Walsh and Attorney I.A. Acker the commission took the following action:

R E S O L U T I O N

Commissioner Oscar Lunseth presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption, and motion was seconded by Commissioner Einar Dahl:

WHEREAS, a petition dated the 14th day of May, 1953 by the City Council of the City of Casselton, North Dakota and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Cass County, North Dakota on the 20th day of May, 1953 to establish a water conservation and flood control district embracing all the territory within the boundaries described and set forth in said petition, has been presented to and filed with the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission, and

WHEREAS, said petition, requesting the establishment of a water conservation and flood control district comprising the area in the basin of Swan Creek in Cass County, North Dakota is accompanied by certified copy of the resolution passed by the City Council of the City of Casselton, North Dakota and the Board of County Commissioners, Cass County, North Dakota which Resolution sets forth that floods have repeatedly occurred on Swan Creek in the City of Casselton and the vicinity of Casselton, Cass County, North

Dakota and this condition has existed for a number of year's past and that such flooding has caused considerable damage to property and crops in the area through which the Swan Creek flows and is a constant threat to the citizens of the City of Casselton and those in the vicinity of Casselton, and the United States Government through the Corps of Engineers has prepared a plan to remedy the flood condition on Swan Creek and have allocated funds in excess of \$150,000.00 to construct the facilities provided for in said plan and that it is necessary that a local governmental agency be set up with whom the United States Government can deal and negotiate, and

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of June, 1953, a public hearing on said proposed water conservation and flood control district was held in the High School Gymnasium at the City of Casselton, North Dakota at which representatives of the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission, the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern Railroad and about 25 citizens in the proposed district were present and at which meeting the creation of said district was endorsed by all in attendance except the representatives of the railroads, and

WHEREAS, information and data on file in the office of the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission and the State Engineer disclose that the allegation set forth in said petition and Resolution filed with the Commission by the City Council of Casselton, North Dakota and the Board of County Commissioners of Cass County have been conclusively established,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that said petition and Resolution of the City Council of the City of Casselton, North Dakota and the Board of Commissioners, Cass County, North Dakota are in all things sufficient and that said petition be and the same is hereby approved, and that the Commission, the Chairman and the Secretary of the Commission are hereby directed to make and issue for and behalf of the Commission its Order establishing a water conservation and flood control district comprising the area and territory set forth and described in said petition to be known as the Swan Creek Water Conservation and Flood Control District of Cass County, North Dakota.

Dated at Riverdale, North Dakota, this 11 day of June, 1953.

Upon roll call all Commissioners voted in favor of adopting the Resolution and the Vice-Chairman declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 o'clock noon.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary

ATTEST:


Chairman

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
 MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF MAY, 1953
 1951-1953 APPROPRIATIONS

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Fund No.	Appropriations	Available July, 1951	Expended to April 30, 1953	Expended May, 1953	Balance May 30, 1953
1	Commissioner-Per Diem & Expenses	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,701.75	\$ 526.31	\$ 771.94
2	Administrations	35,000.00	32,306.42	1,336.99	5,828.97
	Collections and Refunds	4,472.38			
3	Maintenance of Dams	1120,000.00	138,032.75	11,318.77	32,876.16
	Collections and Refunds	62,227.68			
4	International & Interstate-Commissions' & Conference Expense.	14,000.00	6,690.24	647.83	6,661.93
5	Topographic & Conservation, Cooperations with U. S. Geological Survey.	35,000.00	25,557.09	5,820.08	3,622.83
6	Hydrographic Surveys, Cooperation with U. S. Geological Survey	25,000.00	17,452.56	4,961.19	2,586.25
7	Salary-State Engineer	6,000.00	5,500.00	250.00	250.00
8	Construction & Reconstruction Drains or Irrigation	90,000.00	19,303.29	4,844.50	65,852.21
9	Engineering & Geological Surveys & Demonstrations.	35,000.00	34,665.81	266.86	3,567.33
	Add: Transfer from #10.	3,500.00			
10	Cooperation with U. S. Departments & for organizing Conservation & Irrigation Districts.	65,000.00	44,762.85	643.50	16,093.65
	Less: Transfer to #9	-3,500.00			
11	Small Projects other Invest. Surveys & Etc.	150,000.00	67,683.86	7,749.50	74,566.64
12	Construction Bond Guaranty Fund	70,541.00			70,541.00
		<u>\$ 718,241.06</u>	<u>\$ 396,656.62</u>	<u>\$ 38,365.53</u>	<u>\$ 283,218.91</u>

NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF MAY 31, 1953
1949-1951 APPROPRIATIONS

Fund No.	Appropriations	Available July 1949	Expended to May 31, 1953	Balance May 31, 1953
1	Commissioner's Per Diem and Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,995.89	\$ 4.10
2	Administration	30,000.00	35,818.16	11.54
	Collections and Refunds	5,829.70		
3	Maintenance of Existing Dams	100,000.00	153,393.52	176.10
	Collections and Refunds	53,569.62		
4	International and Interstate Commissioner's and Conference Expenses	12,000.00	9,901.05	2,098.95
5	Topographic and Conservation, Cooperation with the USGS plus transfers.	33,085.60	33,085.60	NIL
6	Hydrographic Surveys, Coop. with USGS.	20,000.00	20,090.87	NIL
	Refund.	90.87		
7	Salary - State Engineer.	5,400.00	5,400.00	NIL
8	Construction and Reconstruction-Drains or Irrigation	150,000.00	141,637.70	8,362.30
9	Engineering & Geological Survey & Demonstrations	33,006.12	33,006.12	NIL
10	Cooperation with U. S. Depts, Small Projects & for operating Conservation & Irrig. Dist. Plus refunds less transfer of \$13,000.00	122,007.30	62,995.10	59,082.20
11	Other Investigations, Surveys and Etc.	90,000.00	89,914.61	122.15
	Refund	36.76		
		\$ <u>659,095.97</u>	\$ <u>589,238.62</u>	\$ <u>69,857.35</u>

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
 BALANCE OF PRIOR FUNDS RECOVERED BY OPINION OF
 ATTORNEY GENERAL AND UNDER SECTION 54-2709
 AS OF MAY 31, 1953

Fund No.	Year	Appropriations for	Balance Available	Expended to May 31, 1953	Balance May 31, 1953
1	1939	Commissioner's Per Diem.	\$ 1,727.00	\$ 1,684.24	\$ 42.76
5	1939	Sponsor's Share of Dam Repairs	2,088.08	2,058.52	29.56
1	1941	Commissioner's Per Diem.	395.00	159.76	235.24
4	1941	Maintenance of Existing Dams, plus \$51.00 refund	53.86	NIL	53.86
12	1941	Tri-State Water Administration and Conference	8.61	NIL	8.61
15	1941	Topographic Survey13	NIL	.13
			<u>\$ 4,272.68</u>	<u>\$ 3,902.52</u>	<u>\$ 370.16</u>

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
DEPOSITS IN THE BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA
MAY 31, 1953

Sources of Deposits	Transit No.	Amount Deposited	Expended to May 31, 1953	Balance May 31, 1953
Collection on Yellowstone Pumping Irrigation District \$3,500.00 warrant. Tax Collections for partial payment of interest and principal to March, 1953.	501-118	\$ 1,885.28		\$ 1,885.28
Contributions for Groundwater Surveys:				
Fessenden \$ 1,000.00	Grafton	500.00		
Mountain 100.00	Hunter	750.00		
Nadlock 750.00	Tioga	1,000.00		
Lakota 1,000.00	Mohall	1,000.00		
Bella 750.00	Richardton	750.00		
Devils Lake 7,500.00	Bowbells	1,000.00		
Aneta 1,000.00	Nichigan	580.50		
Litchville 1,000.00	Wimbledon	1,000.00		
Wyndmere 1,000.00	Fairmount	1,000.00		
Portland 700.00	Hope	1,000.00		
Kindred 1,000.00	Sharon	250.00		
Nylo 250.00	Stanley	1,500.00		
Weche 300.00	Upham	750.00		
Transfer .10	Minnewaukan	1,000.00	501-128	\$ 20,048.58
St. John 750.00				10,132.02
Streeter 1,000.00				
Booklet Account	501-127	2,864.57	1,488.32	1,376.25
Lewis & Clark Irrig. Dist. Drainage Fund	501-121	2,806.92	2,786.40	20.52
TOTAL OF ALL BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA DEPOSITS AS OF MAY 31, 1953				<u>\$ 13,414.07</u>

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MAY, 1953

Name		Salary for May	Withhold- ing Tax	N. D. Oasis	Hosp. Ins.	Bond	Net Pay	Remarks
Walsh, J. J.	Secy-State Engineer	\$ 550.00	\$ 76.70	\$ 8.25	\$ 8.83	\$	\$ 456.22	Increased Jan. 1952
Acker, Iver A.	Spec. Ass't Atty. Gen.	400.00	48.70	6.00	8.83		336.47	Increased Jan. 1952
Anderson, Albin	Field Engineer	325.00	42.60	4.88	3.90		273.62	Increased Jan. 1952
Berge, Einar	Technical Ass't	150.00		2.25	8.83		138.92	Increased Apr. 1952
Cooper, Vernon	Ass't Sec'y	500.00	57.60	7.50	8.83		426.07	Increased May, 1953
Dodd, Harold	Ass't Const. Engineer	325.00	42.60	4.88	8.83	6.25	262.44	Increased Jan. 1952
Duppong, Esther	Stenographer	165.00	22.10	2.48	3.90		136.52	Increased Apr. 1953
Fredrickson, Fred	Planning Coordinator	200.00		3.00			197.00	
Hagert, E. S.	Chief Invest. Eng.	400.00	59.80	6.00			334.20	Increased Jan. 1952
Kudinow, Wasilij	Draftsman	285.00	34.60	4.28			246.12	Increased Sept. 1952
Nichols, Don	Chief Const. Engineer	425.00	41.60	6.37	8.83		368.20	Resigned May 31, '52
Nordstrom, Franz	Equipment Foreman	325.00	20.40	4.88			299.72	Increased Apr. 1952
Putz, Roy	Rodman	150.00	18.90	2.25	3.90		124.95	Increased Jan. 1952
Sheldon, Marvin	Const. Engr.	375.00	41.10	5.63	8.83		319.44	Increased Apr. 1953
Turner, J. L.	Laborer	200.00	7.10	3.00			189.90	Started June 1, 1952
Vettel Joyce	Ch. Stenographer	235.00	35.70	3.53	3.90	18.75	173.12	Increased Mar. 1953
O'Rourke, Harold	Rodman	160.00	21.30	2.40			136.30	Started Mar. 23, 1953
Delzer, Allen	Rodman	150.00	18.90	2.25			128.85	Started Mar. 23, 1953
Radspinner, Arthur	Engineer	300.00		4.50			295.50	Started Apr. 1, 1953
Nordstrom, Gilbert	Rodman	111.29	14.00	1.67			95.62	Quit May 23, 1953
Nissen, Wilomeen	Clerk-Typist	75.00	9.45	1.13			64.42	Worked 1/2 days May '53
Tyson, Roy	Constr. Eng.	400.00	59.80	6.00			334.20	Started Apr. 13, 1953
Johnson, Lloyd	Constr. Foreman	304.85	31.60	4.57			268.68	Started May 5, 1953
Lindsay, John	Rodman	111.29	14.00	1.67			95.62	Worked May 1-23 '53
Albrecht, Arnold	Rodman	135.48	10.97	2.03			122.48	Started May 4, 1953
Weigel, John	Pump Attendant	75.50	1.50	1.13			72.87	Started May 25, 1953

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