

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
JANUARY 2, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, Clifford Trangsrud and John Leften. Also attending were Attorney Pat Meron, Exc. Sec'y Cap Nelson and Manfred Holm and Selvin Erickson of the advisory board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Degerness reported on a meeting without newly elected representative Myron Nysether. He stated the meeting was held at the R.E.A. building and the following were present; Rep. Nysether, Manfred Holm, Bob Foley, Clifford Trangsrud, Harold Grothem, Binky Erickson, Milt Arnesen, Cap Nelson and Howard Degerness. The purpose of the meeting was to review the information obtained by Rep. Nysether at the meeting he attended in St. Paul with Commissioner Alexander. Rep. Nysether stated that the Commissioner was very co-operative and would set up a meeting with representatives of the Watershed District and others who might wish to attend to discuss the status of the Roseau River Flood Control Project. Mr. Degerness stated that it was the general consensus of opinion at the meeting the local group be kept to a minimum as they wanted representative from the Corp of engineers and also the legislators from our district namely Hanson and Nysether. Rep. Nysether was asked to contact Commissioner Alexander and set the date for a meeting in St. Paul in the Commissioners office. This date has now been confirmed and will take place on Thursday January 18, 1979 at the Commissioners office at 9 A.M. Chairman Degerness called the Corp of Engineers office and was informed that Col. Gay would not be able to attend, but Bill Slocum and Roger Fast would be there. Mr. Slocum stated they are still working on the engineering of the control structures and he was of the opinion that they would not have the impact report ready by the time of the meeting. Never-the-less he felt that they would be in a position to discuss the project at the meeting and come up with something constructive. Mr. Degerness was also informed that a firm in Chicago has been retained to study the fish life in the Roseau River system. This firm wanted to rent two snowcats for transportation at the time they are here. They have contacted Mr. Degerness and he will handle it. Bill Slocum will contact Howard Degerness for further information on Monday the 8th of January.

A motion by John Leften and seconded by Cliff Trangsrud that the last half of the Lower Red River Water Management Board assessment be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion by Clifford Trangsrud and seconded by John Leften that the secretary be instructed to send a copy of all regular board meetings to Erling Wyberg at St. Paul starting with the meeting of December 5, 1978. Motion carried unanimously.

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The secretary reported on Workmans Compensation Insurance cost and stated that the minimum charge would be \$59.00. The board felt it would be wise to purchase a policy in the event they would employ some one only for a day or two. The application was made through the Roseau Agency. Motion was made by Trangsrud and seconded by Njaa. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman then brought up the question of sending representatives to the St. Paul meeting with the Commissioner. After considerable discussion the following was resolved; Legal council would not be present at the meeting. This was based on the opinion of Attorney Pat Moran. He felt that this meeting should be kept on a strictly informal level and not get into strict rules of procedure. Those attending the meeting would be the two legislators Hanson and Nysether, the Corp of Engineers Bill Slocum and Roger Fast, City of Roseau Binky Erickson and Milt Arneson, Watershed Board Howard Degerness and Cliff Trangsrud. The above was placed as a motion by Jim Njaa and seconded by John Lofton. It carried unanimously.

Motion by John Lofton and seconded by Cliff Trangsrud that the secretary be instructed to transfer funds from the checking account to the savings account after the bills have been paid so that the balance in the checking account would not be over \$1000.00. Motion carried.

A letter from Kittson County relative to the bonded indebtedness of their governmental unit read and the secretary was instructed to complete the report.

A letter from the upper Mississippi River Basin Commission at Fargo, N.DAK. was read by Chairman Degerness. This letter was in regard to Water Resources in the Souris-Red-Rainy River Basin. Their staff is making a study and inventory of all water resources projects and programs in the Souris-Red-Rainy River Region. This is to include Federal, State and local projects, both ongoing and proposed. The information requested at this time was a listing of all the water resources projects and programs in our area. Examples of the type of projects and programs they request information on are; Groundwater study, Legal Drains, Ditches, Clearing and Snagging of Rivers, Lowhead Dams and diking facilities. They enclosed forms on which this information should be filled in on. The time limit was set as January 15, 1979 which does not give us much time. Chairman Degerness appointed John Lofton and Cap Nelson to take care of the matter.

On the invoice from Roseau County in the amount of \$747.93 more information was needed and the secretary was instructed to contact Ray Sauve the engineer.

Executive Secretary Cap. Nelson asked the board for permission to contact the firm of Hayes Public accounts to approve his audit for the coming year. In view of the fact he is doing the accounting he felt it would be more appropriate to call in an outside firm. Motion by Trangsrud seconded by Njaa the above carried.

Chairman Degerness instructed the executive secretary to prepare an annual report for approval.

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The following cash receipts were received;

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| Beltrami County Nov. Settlement 1978       | \$ .55   |
| Marshall County Final payt. for 1978       | 27.31    |
| Roseau County Nov. Settlement 1978         | 14986.41 |
| Roseau County Tax Levy Ditch # 16 for 1978 | 966.56   |
| Roseau County " " " # 8 for 1978           | 311.89   |

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Trangsrud seconded by Njaa were approved.

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| Howard Degerness   | Per Diem         | \$ 25.00 |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " " & Travel     | 31.00    |
| John Leften        | " " & " & Lodge. | 114.21   |
| James Njaa         | " " & %          | 31.00    |
| E.H. Nelson        | Accounting fees  | 426.00   |

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON  
JAN, 6, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Howard Degerness at 12:00 o'clock noon in the office of the watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, John Lofton and Elby Ebgstrom as well as executive secretary Cap. Nelson

The first business on the agenda was to waive the special meeting notice.

The undersigned Roseau River Watershed Board of managers do hereby waive the notice of special meeting of such board of managers to be held on January 6th, 1979 in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall/

Signed Howard Degerness  
Howard Degerness ( Chairman )

Signed Elby Ebgstrom  
Elby Ebgstrom ( Vice Chairman )

Signed Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud ( Secretary )

Signed John Lofton  
John Lofton

Signed Jim Njaa  
Jim Njaa ( Manager )

A motion by John Lofton seconded by Jim Njaa that the treasurer be instructed to draw a check in the amount of \$20,000.00 payable to the treasurer of Roseau County for repayment of loan which was negotiated November 1976. Motion carried unanimously.

A letter from Donald H. Ogaard president of the Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts Inc. was read by Chairman Degerness. Mr. Ogaard is of the opinion that considerable legislation will be done involving the Watershed approach toward solving our water related environmental problems and we should inform as many people as possible of the capabilities defined in Chapter 112 Laws. He enclosed a supply of brochure which are to be distributed to all public officials in the area we serve, City, County and Township. The executive secretary was instructed to handle this.

A recap of the meeting held by the Lower Red River Water Management Board was presented by delegate Clifford Trangsrud. Of interest was the purchase of a \$200,000.00 surety bond for Roger Ward as treasurer Lower Red River Water Management Board. Also of note was a resolution that the Roseau River Watershed District Board of Managers be asked to audit the treasurers books for 1978. The board agreed to make this audit for them and instructed the executive secretary to contact Roger Ward and make arrangements for same.

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The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Trangsrud seconded Elby Engstrom were approved.

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| Howard Degerness                | Per Diem              | \$ 25.00 |
| Clifford Trangsrud              | " " & Mileage         | 31.00    |
| James Njaa                      | " " & "               | 31.00    |
| John Lofton                     | " " & "               | 28.30    |
| Elby Engstrom                   | " " & "               | 40.00    |
| Roseau County                   | Culverts Ditch 8 & 16 | 747.93   |
| Lower Red River Water Mg. Board | Tax levy              | 6191.76  |

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
FEBRUARY 6, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, James Njaa, Clifford Trangsrud and John Lofton. Also present were Pat Moren council and executive secretary Cap. Nelson

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on January 2 and the special meeting held on January 6th were read and approved.

The next order of business was the election of officers for the coming year. Upon motion by John Lofton the following were nominated; For Chairman Howard Degerness; for Vice Chairman James Njaa; for secretary Clifford Trangsrud. This motion was seconded by James Njaa. A motion by Clifford Trangsrud and seconded by Howard Degerness nominated John Lofton for the position of treasurer. Further motions were called for more nominees. There being no further nominations a motion by Howard Degerness and seconded by James Njaa that nominations cease and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees. The motion carried unanimously

Upon motion by John Lofton and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud the Citizens State Bank of Roseau was designated as the depository for the funds in the treasury of the Roseau River Watershed District.

Chairman Howard Degerness gave a report on the meeting held in St. Paul with the DNR Commissioner Alexander. He stated that Representative Nysether assisted our delegation in a most efficient manner and was of great help. The City of Roseau delegation did not bring up the matter of the flood plain in the City as this is a separate matter. The big question at the meeting more or less centered around the issuing of the permit for the Roseau River Project. The DNR stated that they would have the EIS report out in March at the same time as the Corp would have theirs ready. This then would place the target date for the permit in June this year. The delegation felt this would fit in with the timing of the work needs to be done this year. Pete Fisher of the Army Corp of Engineers replaced Roger Fast as he was unable to attend. On a direct question put to the DNR they stated that they could not foresee any items in question to further delay the issuance of the permit after the resolution which are now being resolved. Degerness stated that he had no direct information from the Chicago firm which is making the study on the Roseau River fish life.

The Corp has contacted former Engineer Cliff Anderson requesting the names of the property owner along the river whose land would be affected by the flooding of the Roseau River. A file which was prepared by Harold Grothem contains the names of these people. The executive secretary was instructed to compile a list

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of these names and send to the Army Corp at St. Paul.

A meeting is to be held at Crookston, Minnesota on Monday February 19, 1979 starting at 9 A.M. Information relative to the Lower Red River Water Management Board is to be presented at this meeting. Clifford Trangsrud was appointed to attend the meeting.

The audit for 1978 was presented by Cap Nelson and upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud and seconded by Jim Njaa the audit was approved.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by John Lofton seconded by Clifford Trangsrud were approved.

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| Hayes & Fulton     | Certify Audit       | \$ 75.00 |
| N.W Bell           | Phone               | 19.47    |
| Mn. Asso. of W/S   | Dues                | 275.00   |
| Howard Degerness   | Per Diem            | 25.00    |
| Jim Njaa           | " " & Travel        | 31.00    |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " " "               | 56.00    |
| John Lofton        | " " "               | 28.30    |
| Roseau Agency      | Workmans Comp. Ins. | 59.00    |

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
MARCH 6, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, James Njaa, Clifford Trangsrud and John Lofton. Also Pat Moren attorney and E.H. Nelson exec. sec'y.

Chairman Degerness read a letter from Marv. Hanson regarding correspondence between Joe Alexander and Col Forrest Gay. Mr. Alexander was informing Col. Gay of his disapproval of the presently designed low profile control structures in the Roseau River proper. It appears to be his belief that this will increase adverse project impacts on the Roseau River Fishery and prevent the river from recovery of its fishing values after project construction. It was pointed out by Mr. Nelson that Mr. Alexander's views on the Roseau River as a fishery and the damage which would be sustained by the project is in direct contrast with the findings of the Game & Fish Department which he heads as Commissioner. Chairman Degerness felt that we should make every effort to contact the Commissioners office for an informal exchange of views and opinions with only one or two persons from the Watershed District representing. The possibility of meeting with the Corp, Issac Walton and the Minnesota Federation again on the same basis was to be explored. The feeling was that some of the differences could ironed out in a small group with much better results than at a large hearing.

After considerable discussion the board directed counselor Moren to research the Watershed Boards authority on diking land along the Roseau River. It was felt that the future could develop situations which could be adverse to everyone concerned unless some type of control be placed on this type of construction.

Chairman Degerness read a letter from the Northwest Regional Development Commission regarding a meeting to be held on March 7, 1979 at Thief River Falls, Mn. It was noted that the date was too late for anyone to attend and the matter was set aside.

A bulletin from the DNR relative a proposed meeting was read by Chairman Degerness. The meetings are to be held for the presentation of the proposed rules for the establishment of "LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS". These districts could be created by Counties, Cities and towns and is now authorized in the Minnesota Statutes, providing they comply with the Guide Lines, Criteria and standards contained in the DNR rules. The purpose is to give a local unit of Government the solution of Lake problems. After creating a district the statute provides the granting of powers for various lake management. The secretary wrote a letter to the

DNR requesting a copy of the rules and any other onformation they might have as it was impossible to have a representative at the meeting.

The minutes of the Water Quality Management Committee meeting on February 7, 1979 was read. It was noted that Mayor Arneson of Roseau and Stan Roadfeldt attended the meeting as members of this committee. The board felt this program was well represented by Mayor Arneson and Roadfeldt.

Motion by John Lofton and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud that the secretary send the necessary information on the Liability insurance policy which expires on 4-6-79. This information is necessary in order to write a new policy. Motion carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Jim Njaa second by Clifford Trangsrud motion cairred unanimously.

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| Howard Degerness    | Per Diem                  | \$ | 25.00  |
| James Njaa          | " " & Mileage             |    | 31.00  |
| Clifford Trangsrud  | " " "                     |    | 31.00  |
| John Lofton         | " " "                     |    | 28.30  |
| E.H. Nelson         | Audit & Accounting Fees   |    | 468.00 |
| N.W. Bell,          | Phone                     |    | 18.56  |
| Roseau Printing Co. | Sta. Supplies             |    | 30.55  |
| Chet Yon            | Transportation to Hearing |    | 150.00 |
| N.L. Erickson       | " " "                     |    | 147.00 |

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud second by John Lofton which carried unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS HELD ON  
APRIL 3. 1979.

The meeting was called to order by V. Chairman James Njaa at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were James Njaa, John Lofton and Clifford Trangsrud. Also present were the following; Exec. Sec'y E.H. Nelson and the advisory board was represented by Manfred Holm, Selvin Erickson and Harold Grothem. Local interested persons attending were Warren Ulven, Ardell Magnusson and Phil Johnson.

The minutes of the last meeting was read by the Exec Sec'y and upon motion by John Lofton and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud that the minutes be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

\* A discussion was held regarding the elevation of CSAH No. 7 road which is also known as the June Berry road in the N.W. portion of the county. The Canadian government has made certain requests that a portion of this road be maintained at an elevation which would allow the water at the 100 year level to pass to the south. As the Roseau County board was meeting the next day to study the plan on CSAH No. 7, it was felt our board should have representation at the meeting and present the following resolution which was adopted.

"Whereas, The Roseau River Watershed District is the sponsor of the Roseau River Flood Control Project under the direction of the Corp of Army Engineers, and

Whereas, The inhabitants living within the flood plain of the Roseau River Basin will derive great benefits from the proposed Roseau River Flood Control Project,

NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Managers of the Roseau River Watershed District:

\*That a request be made to the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Roseau County in regard to the construction plans for County Road No. 7 located in the N.W portion of Roseau County, and also known as the June Berry Road. In reaching an agreement with the Canadians officials, certain road elevations were referred to by the Canadian Government in order to keep the construction compatible with the natural flow of waters at the 100 year flood level. It is our wish that these elevations be maintained.

Upon motion by John Lofton and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud, motion carried unanimously.

Dated This 3rd day of April 1979. \*

A motion that the V. Chairman appoint <sup>two</sup> ~~two~~ members from

the Watershed Board and one from the advisory board to meet with the Roseau County Board and present the above resolution. The chair appointed John Lofton and Clifford Trangsrud from the Watershed Board and Harold Grothem from the advisory committee.

It was noted that the treasurer had received the March settlement from Roseau County in the amount of \$ 2379.72.

A copy of an application for a permit from DNR for the purpose of appropriating water from the stream known as Mud Creek and also as Sprague Creek was presented by John Wahlberg. Water to be used for irrigation on 80 acres of Blue Grass. Water to be supplied by a portable pump with a capacity of 800 gallons per minute. The schedule of irrigation was listed as follows; March & April None, May 2 inches, June 2 inches, July & Aug., None, Sept. 2 inches, Oct. 1/2 inches. Total annual use 10 inches per acre/year. Est. 23.5 million gallons/year. A statement on Environmental Impact and project justification was also attached. A "Local Unit of Government Comment Form" was with the copy for the use of the Watershed board in making their evaluation of the application for permit. The matter was discussed with members of the advisory committee and it appeared that there were no unfavorable comments. The matter was tabled as there were only three board members present. It will be taken up at the next regular meeting.

A notice of an application for a permit by Adolph Marhula of Lake of Woods County was read. It was in reference to removing 4000 Cubic Ft. of silt and sand from a channel in a backwater along the Rainy River. No. action taken.

Some time<sup>ago</sup> the Citizens State bank had requested that we obtain an "Identification Employers No." This was taken care and we now have an official No.

At the last meeting Attorney Pat Moren was asked to research the powers of the board of managers relative to the diking of land along the Roseau River. It would appear that there is the possibility that such an ordinance could be passed requiring permits before any construction of this type. This was discussed with members of the advisory board and the general consensus of opinion was that the matter should be studied further.

Exec. Sec'y Nelson read a letter from Col. Gay wherein he explained the alternate plan for reducing adverse project-related impact on the River fishery. This would be to leave the present natural channel intact at the new cutoffs and make provisions for the new cutoffs to pass only flood flows. At present the low profile structures in the center of the river as requested by the FWS are not acceptable to DNR and it appears the corp feels the same way about as DNR. He also stated they anticipated completing the Environmental Impact Statement in June 1979. They are also assisting the DNR in preparation of the state EIS. He also stated that his tour of duty as district engineer in St. Paul ends in June. He sends his best regards to all members of the board and regrets that he could not see the start of construction. He stated that his successor, Col William W. Badger will most likely meet with our

board shortly after he assumes his duties.

An interesting letter from Erling Weibergs office relative to spring floods was read. In his letter he lists emergency telephone numbers for the state as well as the Corp. Listings are now on file in our office under the Water Resources

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Clifford Trangrud seconded by John Lofton, motion carried unanimously.

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| N.W. Bell Telephone Co., Phone | \$ 20.13 |
| Roseau Agency Bonds Board      | 33.15    |
| James Njaa Per Diem & Mi.      | 31.00    |
| John Lofton " " "              | 28.30    |
| Clifford Trangrud " " "        | 31.00    |

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned upon motion by John Lofton seconded by Clifford Trangrud which carried unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

By Clifford Trangrud  
Clifford Trangrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS HELD ON  
MAY 8, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7.45 P.M. in the office of the watershed District at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, John Lofton, Clifford Trangsrud and Elby Engstrom. Also present were Pat M<sub>o</sub>ren Attorney and Cap. Nelson executive secretary. Members of the advisory board present were Selvin Erickson, Gust Kveen and Manfred Holm. Members of the Roseau County board of commissioners attending were, Marlin Erickson, John Gaukerud, George Larson and Wayne Juhl. A delegation from the ditch 8 area were as follows; Kenny Broton, LeRoy Seidel, Lawrence Meyer, Gene Solberg, Albert Monsrud and Lawrence Walch. Also attending were Warren Ulvin and Wayne Trangsrud and Orris Rasmussen acting county Engineer.

Appearing in behalf of the Army Corp of Engineers were Pete Fisher, William Slocum and Allen Kean. Representing the Minnesota DNR were Larry Seymour, Michall Robinson and Gerald L. Paul.

After introduction of the representatives from St. Paul Chairman Degerness called on Mr. Seumour from the DNR to explain the position of the DNR regarding the issuing of a permit for the Roseau River Flood Control project. Mr Seymour stated the fact that the Roseau Lake bottom is a meandering lake they became involved in the project about last October 1978. He stated it is our position that we are not about to torpedo the Roseau River project. It is their desire to co-operate and co-ordinate the project. They take a dim view of the low head dams and are asking that they be removed from the design. They are working with the Army Corp drafting new plans to overcome these objections. He also stated that under Minnesota Law # M.S. 105.42, DNR was not permitted to issue permits unless the Roseau County Board of Commissioners passed a Flood Plain Ordinance. Any person living in the Flood Plain area would not be able to acquire loans for building or otherwise from such institutions as the local banks, FHA, VA, and any lending institution that is connected with the Federal Government. He stated it would be necessary for the County board to pass such an ordinance by June or July of this year in order that the project could continue to move forward. On a direct question by Jojm Douglas he stated that when this was done the only thing holding up the issuance of the permit would be resolving the differences between DNR and the Army Corp.

\* The next topic on the agenda was the elevation on County Road # 7 located in the west end of the County. In inspedtin the road to-day Peter Fisher stated the elevation of the road bed to-day appears to be possibly a feet lower than it was in 1967. Orris Rasmussen concurred with this opinion. In the ICC report the Canadian ebginers requested that road level on # 7 be maintained at the predetermined height in order that some excess flood water could overflow to the south and enter the Two River Watershed Area. Mr. Fisher stated that it is very possible that the road could be raised to the original elevation without affecting the

\* project. Both Mr. Fisher and Mr Rasmussen feel that the road has settled in the past years. The corp is going to check this out within the next four weeks. The final conclusion was of course left to the county board. Mr. Juhl asked Peter Fisher for certain stream flows along the route and the following information was given:

- A - All CFS are based on the 10 year flood level. At Ross the flow is 3480 CFS. After channel improvement it would be 3900 CFS or 420 CFS more.
- B - At mile 105 which is about in the middle of the big swamp the flow is 2520 CFS. After improvement it would be 3070 or 550 CFS more.
- C - The water is being stored in the big swamp at the rate of 600 CFS. After improvements the rate would drop to 530 CFS or 70 CFS slower.
- D - The overflow on # 7 road is 360 CFS. After improvements the flow would be 300 CFS or 60 CFS less.
- E - At caribou the flow is 2700 CFS. After improvements it would be 3250 CFS or 550 CFS faster.

\* In discussing the Canadian position as the feeling regarding the amounts of water contributed ~~the~~ by the Roseau River and the amount contributed by Canada Mr. Fisher pointed out the results of a study which was conducted by the Canadian engineers. After using three different methods of arriving at their conclusion they were of the opinion that the additional ditching done in Roseau County the past years has not been a contributing factor for any additional water over the norm.

Chairman Degerness thanked the Corp and DNR members for their presentation and expressed the hope that the project would soon become a reality.

The next order of business was the delegation on Ditch 8. They presented their case as follows; It was their opinion that the water flowing from the south in Lateral # 3 which is located between sections 7 & 8 in Stafford Twp. 161N, R/ 40W, spills over to the west thru cuts in west bank of Lateral 3 and finds its way into the Two Rivers Watershed District via of Ditch #95. This water is supposed to go north and stay within the confines of Lateral # 3 and then enter ditch # 8 system run in easterly direction. The matter was resolved by asking Orris Rasmussen to study the conditions and give an engineers opinion as to a remedy at the next board meeting.

Chairman Degerness read a letter from the Minnesota Department of Economics Security requesting to share the office again this year. Pat Moren stated that the matter had been taken care of as the city allotted another office in the building to them.

A letter from Walter L. Heme Lt. Col. Army Corp of En-

gineers was read by the Chairman. This was in regard to the termination of Col Gays tour of Duty in Minnesota. He will leave in early June. They are hosting a luncheon at the St. Paul Athletic Club on June 1 at 11:30 A.M. At that time they will present symbolic mementos, letters of thanks and public recognition. They are preparing an album of letters to present to Col Gay at the luncheon. The board instructed the executive secretary to construct such a letter and forward it to the person in charge.

A letter from R.E. Farmer connected with the DNR in regard to a meeting held at Bemidji on March 27 & 28 was received. As time was running out and the hour was late the Chairman instructed the secretary to make copies of the letter and mail to each board member for their perusal .

Treasurer John Lofton stated he had received \$69.85 from Kittson County for the March settlement. He also stated he received \$1.88 from Beltrami for the March tax settlement.

Upon motion by Elby Engstrom and seconded by Clifford Trangsrud the secretary was instructed to complete the form to the DNR regarding the application by John Wahlber to pump water for irrigation of 40 acres of parks blue grass. The report was to be favorable to the application. Motion carried unanimously.

The following bill were presented for approval and upon motion by Elby Engstrom seconded by Jim Njaa they were approved.

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| Howard Degerness   | Per Diem             | \$ 25.00 |
| James Njaa         | " "                  | 31.00    |
| John Lofton        | " "                  | 28.30    |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " "                  | 31.00    |
| Elby Engstrom      | " "                  | 40.00    |
| N.W. Bell          | Phone                | 18.24    |
| Roseau Agency      | Insurance Gen. Liab. | 419.01   |

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned upon motion by John Lofton seconded by Cliff Trangsrud which carried unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS HELD ON  
JUNE 5, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7.40 P.M. in the office of the Watershed District at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, John Lofton, Clifford Trangsrud and Elby Engstrom. Also present were Pat Moren attorney, and Cap. Nelson Executive Secretary. Members of the advisory board present were Harold Grothem and Manfred Holm. A delegation from the ditch 8 system consisted of Donald Rose, Charley Viken, Lawrence Klema, Lloyd Hammer and his son, Leroy Seidel. Mr. Walsh. Mr. Meyer and LuVerne Hagen.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Degerness gave a brief rundown on Lateral 3 of the ditch 8 system as he and Trangsrud had inspected the area in question. All traps were found in good condition and operating. One trap which was questionable had been installed in a township road, and the matter should be taken up with the town officers. Oris Rasmussen acting county engineer was asked for comments on the problem. He stated that the original plans on the ditch 8 system could not be found, but he did have the profile on a repair job done in 1952. At that time 2047 yards was excavated on the lower half mile of lateral # 3 between sections 7 & 8 Township 161 N, Range 40 W. The profile indicates a low swampy area to the northwest in section 7. It was found that the area involved with the water problem is in the Two Rivers Watershed District. In view of this fact the board suggested to the delegation that they petition for a new or improved ditch system in their area. This would have to be done through the Two Rivers Watershed District. It was the general consensus of opinion this would correct a large share of the problems for most of the people involved.

Upon motion by John Lofton and seconded by Jim Njaa. attorney Moren was instructed to draw up a set of Rules & Regulations for study by the board at their next regular meeting.

A letter from the Northwest Regional Development Commission was read by Chairman Degerness. This letter was in reference to a workshop scheduled for July 19 or 20 at Thief River Falls. Mn. The matter of land Management is to be the topic at the meeting. A motion by John Lofton and seconded by Cliff Trangsrud that either or both Jim Njaa and Elby Engstrom attend this meeting if they could find the time. Motion carried unanimously.

\* Chairman Degerness read a letter from the General Regulatory Branch of the Army Corp of Engineers addressed to the Roseau County Commissioners. They outlined the procedure in applying for a permit for the realignment of county road 7 if it were to be moved. This was an informational letter and no action needed.

In another letter from the N.W.R. Commission they requested that a certain Questionnaire which they enclosed be completed giving the information necessary to complete the form. Chairman Degerness appointed John Lofton to assist the executive secretary in completing the form.

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John Lofton presented two copies of the Preliminary Engineering Report on the Nereson Project for filing in our records which was done.

Chairman Degerness stated he had visited with the new manager of the Roseau River Wildlife area in regard to the proposed improvements of State ditch # 51 in lieu of channel improvements in the river proper from that point on . The cost would be about one and one half million dollars. Bridges needed on this portion alone would cost approximately \$600,000.00 which would have to be paid for locally. Degerness called Pete Fisher regarding state aid road 7 but they have not completed their study.

A letter David F. Zentner to Mr. Larry Schultz, president of the Minnesota IWL regarding his inspection of the Roseau River. The letter contained the usual comments such as the destruction of the Roseau River Fishery and the drainage of wetlands.

Another letter from Patrick A. Parenteau counsel for the National Wildlife Federation, to Col Forrest T. Gay lll dated May 8, 1979 was read. Mr. Parenteau outlined six conditions which he felt should be done before the objections to the project could be withdrawn. The letter is too lengthy for the inclusion in the minutes but is on file in the office of the watershed district.

The question of having the viewers complete their work was brought up by Chairman Degerness. After considerable discussion it was felt that more assurance of the project becoming a reality was needed before going to the expense of completing this portion. Never-the-less the feeling was that this matter should be given attention in the very near future.

The secretary was instructed to write Weibergs office for copies of maps showing the boudaries of both the Roseau River Watershed District and also the Two Rivers Watershed.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Elby Engstrom , seconded by Jem Njaa they were approved.

|                    |                          |          |
|--------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| N.W. Bell          | Phone                    | \$ 23.53 |
| Roseau Agency Ins. | Public official Liab.    | 1181.41  |
| " " "              | Workmans Comp            | 18.00    |
| Howard Degerness   | Conference with DNR      | 144.45   |
| " "                | P.D. & Mileage           | 37.58    |
| " "                | P.D. & "                 | 142.92   |
| James Njaa         | " "                      | 31.00    |
| John Lofton        | " "                      | 28.30    |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " "                      | 31.00    |
| Elby Engstrom      | " "                      | 40.00    |
| E.H. Nelson        | Ex. Sec'y. Mar. Apr. May | 279.00   |

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned upon motion by Cliff Trangsrud seconded by John Lofton which carried unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

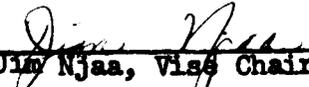
MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS HELD ON  
JUNE 21, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed District at the City Hall.

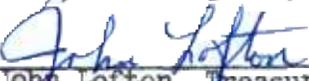
Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, John Lofton, Clifford Trangsrud and Elby Engstrom. Also present were attorney Pat Moren and Executive secretary Cap. Nelson. Members of the advisory board were Gust Kveen. Representative Myron Nysether and Bill Slocum from the Army Corp were also present.

The undersigned Roseau River Watershed Board of Managers do hereby waive the notice of special meeting of such board of Managers to be held on June 21, 1979 in the office of the watershed at the City Hall in Roseau, Mn.

Signed   
Howard Degerness, Chairman.

Signed   
Jim Njaa, Vice Chairman.

Signed   
Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

Signed   
John Lofton, Treasurer.

Signed   
Elby Engstrom, Manager.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved by resolution after the following correction. "In the second paragraph of the minutes of the June 5, 1979 meeting it was stated that Chairman Degerness and Clifford Trangsrud had inspected lateral # 3 of the ditch 8 system. This was in error and is to be corrected as follows; Chairman Degerness and Trangsrud inspected the WD-3 project which was completed a few years ago. They found the system working and all traps in good condition. It was at this time they discovered a trap had been installed in a township ditch which was questionable and the matter was to be referred to the township board. Chairman Degerness then inspected lateral # 3 of the ditch 8 system. Trangsrud was not present during this tour. Upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud seconded by Elby Engstrom the motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Pat Moren spoke on the amendment to the Rules and Regulations of the Roseau River Watershed District which he presented to the board for their perusal. He suggested that the members study the contents of the new proposal and make recommendation at the August meeting.

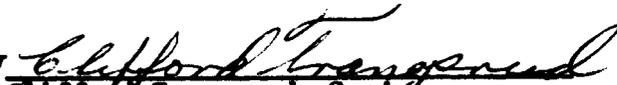
Chairman Degerness stated the primary purpose of the special

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meeting was to study the letter from the D N R to Col Gay setting forth the features they felt should be incorporated into the Corps project on the Rosear River. They listed nine different items which they felt were vital to the success of the program in order to protect the wildlife feature. Chairman Degerness called on Bill Slocum from the Army Corpto explain in detail all nine of the requirements. After considerable study of each item individually it was felt that most of the items spelled out could be lived with, although there would have to be some modifications on one or two. The secretary was instructed to contact Harold Grothem and ask for his assistance in determining an estimate of the number of acres of Wildlife Managements area lands lost to channelization. It was felt that a meeting with the D N R, Army Corp Engineers and the Board of Managers would be necessary to resolve some of the questions presented. Representative Myron Nysether was asked to contact the D N R and set up a meeting before the 15th of June at Roseau if possible. In closing Mr. Slocum stated the Corp was doing everything possible to satisfy the two government branches, namely the D N R and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Servive.

There being no further business upon motion by Jom Njaa seconded by John Lofton the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By   
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS HELD ON  
JULY 3, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall/

Board members present were Howard Degerness, James Njaa, Clifford Trangsrud, John Lofton and Elby Engstrom. Attorney Pat Moren also was present.

On the absence of Exec. Sec'y. Cap Nelson Secretary Trangsrud wrote up the minutes of the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved upon motion by Jim Njaa and seconded by John Lofton.

The board members signed the waiver of the special meeting held on June 21st 1979.

The board briefly reviewed the proposed set of Rules and Regulation as prepared by Pat Moren for the Roseau River Watershed District. A copy was sent to Erling Weiberg of the Water Resources board for their comments.

The board discussed the tentative meeting with the department of Natural Resource and the Army Corp of Engineers to be held in July of this year. The purpose of the meeting was to reconcile the proposal made by DNR for changes in plan which the Corp has proposed.

Upon motion by Jim Njaa seconded by Elby Engstrom Chairman Degerness signed the quarterly report of Wage and employment for the Department of Economic Security.

The following bill were presented for approval and upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud seconded by Elby Engstrom were approved.

|                    |                    |           |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Howard Degerness   | Per Diem & Mileage | \$ 115.80 |
| Jim Njaa           | " " "              | 62.00     |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " " "              | 99.90     |
| John Lofton        | " " "              | 95.70     |
| Elby Engstrom      | " " "              | 80.00     |
| N.W. Bell          | " " "              | 20.18     |

There being no further business upon motion by John Lofton seconded by Jim Njaa the meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
AUGUST 7, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Howard Degerness Chairman at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness Chairman, Jim Njaa, Elby Engstrom and Clifford Trangsrud. Also present was attorney Pat Moren. In the absence of the executive secretary the minutes were recorded by secretary Trangsrud.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved upon motion by Elby Engstrom seconded by Jim Njaa and carried unanimously.

The board agreed that in view of the fact that a quorum was not present, the review and study of the proposed amended Rules and Regulations be tabled for the time being.

\*The board received a copy of the application for permit to construct CSAH # 7 which had been submitted by the Roseau County Highway Department. No comment was deemed necessary at this time. The copy was received from the Corp of Army Engineers.

The treasurer noted that we had received a check in the amount of \$31.80 from the Roseau Agency as a refund on the cancellation of a surety bond for board members, as this bond has been obtained elsewhere. He also noted that we received a check from Beltrami County in the amount of \$15.09 for the June Tax Settlement.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Jim Njaa seconded by Elby Engstrom motion carried unanimously.

|                    |                      |          |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Elmer Sorter       | Per Diem & Mileage   | \$ 32.50 |
| Roseau Printing    | Supplies             | 2.35     |
| Dorwart Motor      | Transportation (Van) | 14.00    |
| Travel Inn         | Use of Meeting Room  | 27.04    |
| N.W. Bell          | Phone                | 22.78    |
| Howard Degerness   | Per Diem             | 125.00   |
| James Njaa         | " " & Mileage        | 93.00    |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " " "                | 118.00   |
| Elby Engstrom      | " " "                | 80.00    |

There being no further business upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud seconded by Elby Engstrom meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
SEPT. 4, 1979.

The meeting was called to order by Howard Degerness Chairman at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, Clifford Trangsrud, John Lofton and Elby Engstrom. Also present were Attorney Pat Moren and Cap, executive secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved upon motion by Elby Engstrom seconded by Jim Njaa, the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Degerness read a letter from Erling Weiberg of the Water Resources Board relative to a meeting held on July 30, 31 and August 1st 1979 by the Resources Board in Northwestern Minnesota with various organizations, state senators and others. The discussion was the proposal for water resources management in Minnesota through a statewide system of Watershed Districts. The flood damage along the Red River of the North was also discussed. There will be a Fall Tour out of Detroit Lakes, Mn. on Sept 7 & 8- 1979. The board appointed Chairman Degerness to attend this meeting with Clifford Trangsrud alternate.

Chairman Degerness then read a letter, or rather a copy, regarding the area lost to the dredging of the Roseau. They stated Bob Farms, area Wildlife manager was acting as their representative in the matter. The executive secretary was instructed to contact Mr. Farms and request that he attend the next regular meeting.

Chairman Degerness discussed a letter he was writing Senator Rudy Boschwitz and Dave Durenberger regarding the past history of the Roseau River Project. This was approved .

Ditch 8 system was discussed regarding spoil bank at a certain location. The board approved an expenditure of approximately \$200.00 for repair.

Upon motion by Elby Engstrom seconded by John Lofton treasurer that the executive secretary calculate the money needed for the next five months for normal operation and then invest the surplus from the savings account to a Money Market 6 months C.D. at the Citizens State Bank of Roseau, Mn. for a higher rate of interest. This was to co-ordinated with John Lofton. Motion carried unanimously.

It was noted by treasurer John Lofton the watershed received a check in the amount of \$24.17 as March & June settlement from Marshall County

The Amended Proposed Rules & Regulations was the next topic on the agenda. Considerable time was spent on this item in order that a comprehensive view be gained as to the effect it would have on our future, and would the benefits gained

be compatible with the obligations assumed in its administration. It was felt that the benefits far outweighed the time and cost of administration as considerable problems could arise in the future if certain Rules & Regulations were not enforced. It was the opinion of the board that the passage of the Ammended Rules & Regulations would be compatible with section 208 of the Water Quality Management Board. Upon motion by Jim Njaa seconded Clifford Trangsrud the Amended Rules & Regulations were adopted by unanimous vote of the board, all members being present and voting.

The following bill were presented for approval and upon motion by Elby Engstrom seconded by John Lofton they were approved unanimously.

|                    |                    |                 |
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| Howard Degerness   | Per Diem           | \$ 25.00        |
| James Njaa         | " " & Mileage      | 31.00           |
| John Lofton        | " " "              | 119.80          |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " " "              | 31.00           |
| Elby Engstrom      | " " "              | 40.00           |
| E.H. Nelson        | Exec. Sec'y . fees | 306.00          |
| Total              |                    | <hr/> \$ 552.80 |

There being no further business upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud seconded by Elby Engstrom meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Sec'y.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
OCTOBER 2, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard Degerness at 7:30 p.m. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Jim Njaa, Elby Engstrom, Clifford Trangsrud and John Lifton. Pat Moren attorney and executive secretary Cap Nelson were also present.

The following also attended the meeting: Robert Geringer, Salol, farmer; Bob Overend, Hallock and Art Weiss, both with the SCS office, John Gaukerud, County Commissioner and Manfred Holm member of the advisory board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved by unanimous vote upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Jim Njaa.

Chairman Degerness read a letter from Daniel Thul, Hydrologist with D.N.R. out of Bemidji, Mn., 56601. Mr. Thul explained the newly created LCMR with funding of \$1,000,000.00 (one million) for flood water retention assistance. He outlined his duties as co-ordinator for distribution of the funds. The board instructed the executive secretary to write Mr. Thul asking that he attend the next Board meeting. Also to again contact Bob Farms asking that he attend also.

A letter from the District Hydraulics Engineer, George Welk requested a copy of the amended rules and regulations. This was taken care of from Pat Moren's office.

A letter from Hedia Rieke, Supervisor, Water Appropriations Unit outlined upcoming meetings to be held at various locations in the State. The executive secretary was instructed to write for further information on the Rules and Public meetings.

Art Weiss and Robert Overend then spoke on the need for permits when the job was done under the SCS supervision. It was the opinion of the board that the projects under their supervision (SCS) were in good hands. It was a matter of determining whether the project is maintenance or new construction. Upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Cliff Trangsrud the SCS office supervisor be given the authority to determine if the project was new construction or maintenance. The Board generally felt that new construction should be required to obtain a permit. The motion carried unanimously.

An application from Robert Geringer, Salol, Mn., for farm ditch improvement was approved with the stipulation he was to send in ASC picture of the project. Motion by John Lofton, seconded by Elby Engstrom, Motion carried unanimously.

Earl Feucht of Brimfield, Ill., 61517, Phone 309-446-3240, made application for ditching of new land. A motion by Jim Njaa died for lack of a second. It was felt this application warranted further study

An application by Jack Marvin for ditching was approved upon motion by Elby Engstrom, seconded by Cliff Trangsrud. Carried unanimously.

Upon motion by Cliff Trangsrud, seconded by Elby Engstrom the allowable mileage rate was raised to 19¢ per mile effective as of today. Carried unanimously.

An application for on farm ditching from Wayne Trangsrud was approved upon motion by Elby Engstrom seconded by Jim Njaa. Motion carried with four yea votes and one abstaining.

An application for on farm ditching from Clifford Trangsrud was approved upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Jim Njaa. Motion carried with four yea votes and one abstaining.

An application by John Lofton for on farm ditching was approved upon motion by Elby Engstrom, seconded by Cliff Trangsrud. Motion carried with four yea votes and one abstaining.

The application of Earl Feucht of Brimfield, Ill., was then reviewed and upon motion by Jim Njaa, seconded by John Lofton, was approved by unanimous vote.

Upon motion by Cliff Trangsrud, seconded by Elby Engstrom, the following resolution was passed by unanimous vote

**"BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE ROSEAU WATERSHED DISTRICT:**

**WHEREAS, the Roseau River Watershed District is a member of the Lower Red River Watershed Management Board and pursuant to a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Managers executed a Joint Powers Agreement, and**

**WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the Lower Red River Watershed Management Board under date of August 1, 1979 said Management Board pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 162, 1976 Session Laws and in accordance with the provisions of the Joint Powers Agreement, did direct this Watershed District to levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed two mills on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district in the counties provided in said Chapter 162, 1976 Session Laws, and**

WHEREAS, the Board of Managers of the Roseau River Watershed District are desirous of cooperating and fulfilling this obligation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Managers of the Roseau River Watershed District:

I.

That the Roseau River Watershed District does hereby levy and ad valorem tax of two mills on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within this district and with the counties set forth in Chapter 162, 1976 Session Laws.

II.

That said levy shall be for the year 1979 and shall be collectible with the taxes recovered in the year 1980.

III.

That the County Auditor of the County of Roseau, Kittson, Beltrami, Marshall and Lake of the Woods, shall make said levy in accordance with the provisions of the Minnesota Watershed Act, Chapter 112, Chapter 162 (1976) the Joint Powers Agreement and Legislative direction.

IV.

That all of the proceeds of said mill levy shall be forwarded by the County Auditor of the County of Roseau, Kittson, Beltrami, Marshall and Lake of the Woods to the treasurer of the Roseau River Watershed District.

V.

That the treasurer of the Roseau River Watershed District make payment: one mill of the proceeds of this levy to the Lower Red River Watershed Management Board and forward payment to Roger Ward, St. Vincent, Mn., 56755 Treas.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 1979.

Upon motion by Elby Engstrom, seconded by John Lofton the following resolution was passed unanimously:

"BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT:

Pursuant to M.S.A. Section 112.61 Subdivision 3 the Roseau River Watershed District does hereby levy an ad valorem tax of one mill on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district in the Counties of Roseau, Kittson, Beltrami, Marshall and Lake of the Woods, as set forth in the above mentioned Chapter. Such funds to be used for general administration expenses and for the construction and maintenance of project of common benefit to the district."

Upon motion by Elby Engstrom, seconded by John Lofton, no levy was made for Ditch 8 maintenance. Carried unanimously.

Upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Jim Njaa, no levy was made for ditch 16 maintenance. Carried Unanimously.

It was noted in a letter from Kittson County that Elby Engstrom had been appointed to the Roseau River Watershed Board of Managers for another 3 year term expiring 9-18-82.

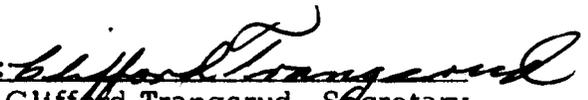
Upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Jim Njaa, the executive secretary was instructed to purchase a safety deposit box at the Citizens State Bank in the name of the Roseau River Watershed District. The secretary was instructed to place the Money Market C. D. which had been purchased in the amount of \$15,000.00 for safe keeping. The authorized signatures to gain access to the box would be the Board President or Treasurer.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Cliff Trangsrud, motion carried unanimously

|                  |                             |        |
|------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Warren Sheaf     | Pub. of Rules & Regulations | 10.12  |
| N. W. Bell       |                             | 23.00  |
| Howard Degerness | Per Diem & Travel           | 114.30 |
| Howard Degerness | " " "                       | 25.00  |
| Jim Njaa         | Per Diem & Travel           | 32.60  |
| John Lofton      | Per Diem & Travel           | 29.18  |
| Elby Engstrom    | Per Diem & Travel           | 44.00  |
| Cliff Trangsrud  | Per Diem & Travel           | 32.60  |

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Jim Njaa. Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

By:   
Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

**MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
NOVEMBER 6, 1979**

The meeting was called to order by Howard Degerness at 7:30 P.M. in the office of the Watershed at the City Hall.

Board Members present were Degerness, Vernon Erickson, Elby Engstrom, John Lofton and Clifford Trangsrud. Also present were Attorney Pat Moren and Cap Nelson, executive secretary and Harold Grothem from the Advisory Board.

Chairman Degerness welcomed Vernon Erickson as a new Board Member, replacing Jim Njaa whose term expired. Mr. Erickson comes to the board with a good background regarding the working of the Watershed District, having served as County Commissioner some years back.

Upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Elby Engstrom the minutes of the last meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

Mr. Daniel C. Thul of the Legislative Committee on Minnesota Resources (LCMR) appeared before the board and outlined his position as manager of this newly created position. He listed six duties and responsibilities of his position as he sees them. He also listed five requirements which a project must meet to be eligible for LCMR funds. It appeared that projects with the greatest water retention and flood control would be given the highest priority. Mr. Thul listed his address as Daniel C. Thul, Red River Co-ordinator, Rt. 1, Box 41A, Bemidji, Mn. 56601, Phone 755-3973.

Chairman Degerness then called on Mr. Viet Ngo, who is Project Engineer with the firm McCombs-Knutson Associates Inc. with their head office located at 12805 Olson Memorial Drive, Minneapolis, Mn. 55441, Phone (612) 559-3700. They employ 79 professional people and can furnish services from engineering and planning to computer programming. He felt that his concern could be of value to the Watershed board in the way of furnishing any of these services, should they be needed. The board stated that at the present they were not in need of such services but should the occasion arise they would contact them.

A letter from Erling Weilberg regarding a meeting between the Local Watershed Board and the Water Resources Board from St. Paul was read by Chairman Degerness. It was agreed that some members of the local board would meet with them at Alexandria during the convention of Watershed Districts. The time was set at 7:30 P.M. on November 29, 1979 at the Arrowood Lodge where the convention will be held. Upon motion by John Lofton seconded by Elby Engstrom, Chairman Degerness and Board member Clifford Trangsrud were appointed delegates to represent the Roseau River Watershed District.

Vernon Erickson, the new Board member, was appointed as alternate. Attorney Moren stated that if possible he would also attend the meeting of Watershed District attorneys which will be held at the same time as the convention. The executive secretary was instructed to arrange rooms for 3 persons at the Arrowood Lodge. Mr. Moren and Lofton would make their own reservations if they were to attend.

The following permits for ditching were received:

Ruben S. Thorbus. After study of the application which was presented by Harold Grothem, a motion by Vernon Erickson, seconded by John Lofton was voted on and carried unanimously. The other permits presented by Gustav Kveen, John Spina and Marvin Pederson upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Clifford Trangsrud were carried unanimously.

A copy of the application for a permit from the State of Minnesota Department of DNR was received along with a form for local input from the Roseau River Watershed District. The Board made the following comments. We are not opposed to the installation of the bridge provided it will have no adverse effect on the Roseau River Flood Control Project, and that it was approved by the Army Corps of Engineers.

It was brought to the attention of the board that a Hugh Kelly was doing some diking in section 21, Twp. 163 N., Range 42W without a permit. Mr. Moren was instructed to compose a letter to Mr. Kelly informing him of the legal status of his project. This was made upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud, seconded by Elby Engstrom and carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Elby Engstrom, seconded by Clifford Trangsrud, motion carried unanimously.

|                        |                          |        |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| Howard Degerness       | Per Diem and Travel      | 25.00  |
| Cliff Trangsrud        | " " "                    | 32.60  |
| Vernon Erickson        | " " "                    | 30.32  |
| John Lofton            | " " "                    | 29.18  |
| Elby Engstrom          | " " "                    | 44.00  |
| Roseau Agency          | Workman Comp.            | 66.00  |
| Roseau Printing        | Publication Rules & Reg. | 769.65 |
| Roseau Printing        | Supplies                 | 15.39  |
| Peggy Magnusson        | typing                   | 7.50   |
| The Pioneer Bemidji    | Publication Rules & Reg. | 14.20  |
| Kittson Co. Enterprise | " " "                    | 13.41  |
| The Baudette Region    | " " "                    | 17.26  |
| Badger Enterprise      | 200 amended Rules & Reg. | 302.43 |
| N. W. Bell             | Phone                    | 25.66  |

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned upon motion of Vernon Erickson, seconded by John Lofton. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

By Clifford Trangsrud  
Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary

**MINUTES OF THE ROSEAU RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING HELD ON  
DECEMBER 14, 1979**

Board members present were Howard Degerness, Vernon Erickson, Elby Engstrom, John Lofton and Cliff Trangrud. Also present were Cap Nelson, Executive Secretary and Manfred Holm and Selvin Erickson from the Advisory Committee.

Upon motion by John Lofton and seconded by Vernon Erickson, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved unanimously.

Bob Farms from the Department of Natural Resources attended the meeting at the request of the Board of Managers. Farms outlined the program relative to the mitigation of the lands lost during construction of the Roseau River Flood Control project. He stated that the State has determined that 115 acres of land would mitigate the construction damage to wildlife lands. The replacement land could be of the same type or waterfowl type. He stated that the land cannot be State trust fund land, but can be either private or county land. In some instances there is a possibility that a certain class of state land could be used. It could be added to their present project in the area or could be utilized as a separate project. This matter should be handled after the Roseau River Project has become a reality more or less.

Upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Elby Engstrom, the Board voted unanimously to accept this proposal from the State.

Chairman Degerness read a letter from Colonel William Badger of the Army Corp of Engineers regarding the completion of the environmental impact statement (EIS). The letter stated that they had completed the hydraulic design necessary for the fishery mitigation which was developed in coordination with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Hydraulic information has been furnished to both agencies. Colonel Badger stated that because the fishery mitigation has taken longer than originally scheduled, it is now apparent we will not complete the EIS supplement in January as planned. We have rescheduled completion of the supplement to March 1980.

The Board decided to write a letter to the Corp stressing the fact they were very unhappy with the turn of events.

The letter from Hugh Kelly regarding construction without a permit was tabled for the time being.

The letter from William D. Parson of the Army Corp of Engineers was Tabled.

The application for a permit from the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the replacement of the structurally deficient bridge at Ross Minnesota over the Roseau River was approved upon motion by Clifford Trangsrud, second by Vernon Erickson. Carried unanimously.

Bob Farms again spoke on water impoundments which would be a benefit to both wildlife and flood conditions. He stated that they have a number of them in the planning stage and gave their location as follows: The Habstritt impoundment located northeast of Roseau located in portions of sections 16, 17, 18, twp. 163 N., Range 39 W. Another in the Marvin Lake area farther east and another known as the Sprague Creek Area in part of sections 10, 14, 15 and 16. Another they are considering is in Palmville township. This is the area known as Palmville Lake in section 20, Twp. 159N. Range 41 W. The Board felt that some of these projects would be of benefit to the area and suggested Mr. Farms give them more information such as maps and any other information that might be available Also what the Board could do to assist these programs. They asked Mr. Farms to meet again in the near future with up to date progress reports.

Upon motion by Vernon Erickson, seconded by Clifford Trangsrud, for a permit by the DNR to rebuild the structure at the Hanson Creek site was approved unanimously and the executive secretary instructed to complete the permit and return.

Chariman Degerness reported on the meeting of the Association at Alexandria. He reported that the exchange of information between the various districts was very beneficial to the operation of the individual district. He presented an update status of the Roseau River Flood Control project to Association members.

The Executive Secretary was instructed to call Erling Weiberg and arrange with him to attend the next board meeting on January 8, 1980.

In a report by the Executive Secretary on the financial condition of the Roseau River Watershed District the following exhibit of the treasurers books was presented.

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| Balance on hand savings account Citizens State Bank                         | \$16,303.37        |
| Money Market C. D. Purchased from Citizens State Bank of Roseau Due 3-12-80 | 15,000.00          |
| Cash on hand in checking account  | <u>141.97</u>      |
| <b>Total Cash on Hand</b>   | <b>\$31,445.34</b> |
| Estimate of November tax settlement   | <u>22,000.00</u>   |
| <b>Total available for 1980 (Estimate)</b>                                  | <b>\$53,445.34</b> |

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The following budget for 1980 was presented by the Executive Secretary for their approval.

|                                       |                    |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| General Administration                | \$10,000.00        |
| Lower Red River Management Board Levy | 15,000.00          |
| Roseau River Flood Control Project    | 7,200.00           |
| Ditch 8 system maintenance            | 300.00             |
| Ditch 16 System maintenance           | <u>300.00</u>      |
| <b>TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET ESTIMATE</b> | <b>\$32,800.00</b> |

Upon motion by Vernon Erickson, seconded by John Lofton the above proposed budget was carried unanimously.

After considerable discussion the Board felt that as most of the meetings and time was spent on affairs pertaining to the Roseau River Flood Control Project, the expenses which normally have been charged to the General Administration expense account should be pro-rated on a ratio of 75% going to the RRFC expense account and the other 25% to the General Administration. A motion by Elby Engstrom, seconded by Clifford Trangsrud instructed the Executive Secretary to so make this entry as an adjusting entry for the end of the year. Motion carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented for approval and upon motion by Elby Engstrom, seconded by Vernon Erickson, motion carried unanimously.

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| N. W. Bell         | Phone               | 19.88  |
| City of Roseau     | Copy Machine Rental | 57.20  |
| Peggy Magnusson    | typing              | 3.75   |
| Howard Degerness   | Per Diem & travel   | 288.31 |
| Clifford Trangsrud | " " "               | 164.04 |
| Vernon Erickson    | " " "               | 30.32  |
| John Lofton        | " " "               | 179.60 |
| Elby Engstrom      | " " "               | 44.00  |

Treasurer John Lofton noted he had received a check in the amount of \$4,564.84 from the State of Minnesota as Homestead Credit. Also a Warrant in the amount of \$201.41 from the Kittson County Auditor as the November tax settlement. This was turned over to the Executive Secretary for recording and deposit.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m. upon motion by John Lofton, seconded by Clifford Trangsrud. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
BY Clifford Trangsrud, Secretary