

**These are DRAFT minutes, subject to amendment before final approval by
the Pembina County Water Resource District**

April 10, 2025

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PEMBINA COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS
WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT OFFICE, CAVALIER ND

Those present were Managers William Gunderson, Ted Juhl, Randall Emanuelson, and LuAnn Kemp, secretary. Managers Donald Kemp and Richard Kendall absent. A motion was made by Randall Emanuelson, seconded by William Gunderson, by vote unanimously carried to approve the minutes of April 1, 2025 as amended.

The board discussed the current condition of the channel downstream of Renwick Dam. Further erosion has occurred slightly upstream from the previous channel. A motion was made by William Gunderson, seconded by Randall Emanuelson, by vote unanimously carried to approve the ND DWR Cost-Share Application for Renwick Dam Feasibility.

A motion was made by Randall Emanuelson, seconded by William Gunderson, by vote unanimously carried to approve the Red River Joint Cost-Share for the Renwick Dam Feasibility.

A motion as made by Randall Emanuelson, seconded by William Gunderson, by vote unanimously carried to cash in the 3-month CD on the maturity date.

Manager Gunderson reported there was private work done in the Drain 34 lateral to remove blow-dirt and snow from the channel. Gunderson also reported that Drain 81 and Drain 82 looked good.

The petition for Drain 5 bond was discussed. Landowners are working with Gagner Financial for a bond.

Drain 64 – Mike Ferrie, Houston Engineering, reported via email that the current footprint of Enbridge is on the edge of the DOT ROW. Discussion followed on the frontage road request.

The meeting moved to Langdon for a joint meeting with Cavalier County Water Resource District on joint drains and dams.

- Drain Walhalla 3
 - the culvert project was reviewed and is not complete at this time; discussion followed on time line for ordering the culvert and extra expense to ensure timely delivery of the culvert for fall installation. A motion was made by William Gunderson, seconded by Randall Emanuelson, by vote unanimously carried to penalize Kendall Construction \$5000 for failing to complete the project by the deadline due to the contractor delaying the culvert delivery by two weeks.
 - There is brush needing to be removed – a soft bid will be developed for the work
 - Discussion of possible need for cleanout in Section 35 and 36-Walhalla township
 - A motion was made by William Gunderson, seconded by Randall Emanuelson, by vote unanimously carried to assess Drain W3 \$4/acre for 2025. The other drain assessments were agreed upon in 2024 – Drain W2 - \$1.00, Drain 51/51b - \$2.00.
- Drain Walhalla 2 lateral
 - NO cleanout work is needed at this time on the channel
 - The outlet needs cleaning where it crosses the border – A motion was made by Randall Emanuelson, seconded by William Gundeson, by vote unanimously to direct hire Clark Construction to clean debris from the outlet of Walhalla 2 with Manager Hardy to coordinate.

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- Drain Walhalla 2
 - There is an area on 108th Street NE where the drain overflows the road – may need to remove snow from the area in the future, Manager Hardy will monitor for the need of snow removal in the spring
 - Brush removal is needed in several areas and will be soft bid with Drain W3
 - Report last fall that Johnson Farms had dumped debris in the channel, this was removed as requested
- Drain 51/51b
 - ½ mile west of Highway 32 there is a tile drain causing erosion, Pembina WRD will review the permit and request repairs by the landowner.
- Spraying – boards agreed to spray the joint drains by helicopter – offices will coordinate the request
- Tongue River dams
 - Emergency Action plans are being finalized. Cavalier County WRD is interested in participating in the tabletop exercise.
 - Olga Dam Access – discussion on options for the access route and township responsibility to maintain access
 - TR Watershed planning process is still ongoing

Attest: _____

LuAnn Kemp, Secretary

Ted Juhl Vice-Chairman