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the Pembina County Water Resource District**

February 25, 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 (electronic), Donald Kemp, Richard Kendall, Randall Emanuelson, and LuAnn Kemp, secretary. Attorney Fleming also present. A motion was made by Richard Kendall, seconded by William Gunderson, by vote unanimously carried to approve the minutes of February 18, 2025.

The board discussed the insurance claim pending on Drain 12 and process regarding the combination of private vs drain claims. Estimate will be completed as soon as trees begin to bud out this spring.

Kayo Vivatson met with the board regarding drainage south of Hamilton. Discussion was held on the Drain 16 project and the unassessed area west of Drain 16 assessment area. Vivatson would like to see the railroad berm culverts opened with the suggestion of traps for the spring melt.

Randy Gjestvang – ND DWR – met with the board to review the PRESENS gauge operations. The gauges are expected to go live on March 1. Gjestvang reviewed the on-line platforms to monitor the gauges remotely. Gjestvang also discussed the status of the watershed planning project being completed on the Tongue River Dams. Discussion followed on priority of dams for requesting any federal funding.

Gjestvang also reported on a study being completed by the US Corp of Engineers along the Canadian border to develop possible drainage channel options. Two fiscal years of funding have been appropriated at this time.

Manager Emanuelson discussed the Drain 13 Scharmer culvert project. Discussion held on soft bid versus direct hire and amount of survey/engineering that might be required.

The board reviewed the memo from Houston Engineering regarding the Drain 67A Berm. The project list for 2025 was also reviewed.

Attest:

LuAnn Kemp, Secretary

Donald Kemp, Chairman