SANDHILL RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

February 3, 1950

The Board of directors of the Sand Hill River Drainage and Conservancy District met at Crookston, Minnesota, on February 3, 1950, in the Court House.

The president, Ole G. Olson, called the meeting to order. All directors were present and also County Commissions Peter Ofstedahl, County Engineer Steernerson, County Highway Engineer M. Nygaard, County Auditor H.J. Welte, W.E. Rowe, attorney at law, and F.H. Stadsvold, County Attorney.

The president then called for the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. The minutes were read by N.J. Mjelde, secretary. There being no omissions or corrections the president approved the minutes as read.

Mr. Leonard, the engineer from St. Paul, met with the board to discuss right-of-ways and bridges. Mr. Leonard stated that no farm buildings would have to be moved because they planned to take dirt from the opposite side of the ditch where the buildings were located.

The discussion between Mr. Leonard and Mr. W.E. Rowe was to the effect that the board go ahead with the work of petitioning the court for right-of-way even if the work be delayed for a year or more. Mr. Leonard said that Wild Rice was first, Mustinka, second, and Sand Hill, third, on the Minnesota side. Leonard said there had been some changes from the original. Leonard explained that the Engineers contemplated taking Kittleson Creek into the Sand Hill Ditch in Section 21 Liberty. The planned three or four drops east of Beltrami to check that part so the west part could handle the flow. Mr. Leonard then asked for an opinion about the cut-off of Kittleson Creek at Nolte's to eliminate the work on the old Sand Hill channel north of Beltrami. The talk continued on the drops. Some danger of flooding just above drops was mentioned. Also, that some drops could be used for bridges by using additional cement.

Mr. Rowe asked Mr. Leonard for a detailed map showing the necessary right-of-way for the ditch, and requested Mr. Leonard to confirm this matter by writing to the secretary.

Motion made by Henry Nolte and seconded by Martin Braaten to adjourn. Motion carried and the president declared the meeting duly adjourned.

N.J. Mjelde, Secretary