

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, ND
August 11, 2015

The Richland County Water Resource Board (RCWRB) met August 10, 2015 at 8:00 AM at the Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, North Dakota.

THOSE PRESENT: Managers Arv Burvee, James Haugen, Don Moffet, Robert Rostad, Engineering Technician Justin Johnson, and Secretary-Treasurer Monica Zentgraf.

Minutes

It was moved by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Haugen to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2015 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Matters

It was moved by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to accept the July 2015 financial reports as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mail

1. Richland County Commission- Minutes of the July 2015 meetings.
2. Bank of New York Mellon- \$4,587,072.42 pledged securities.

2016 Budget

The 2016 budget was reviewed by the Managers. Action was tabled until later in the meeting.

Senator Larry Luick joined the meeting during budget discussion.

Mgr. Friskop and Engineer Bassingthwaite joined the meeting.

Fargo-Moorhead Flood Diversion Project

Senator Luick spoke briefly with the Board about the flood diversion project. He recently met with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and proposed alternatives for the Fargo-Moorhead Flood Diversion Project. Senator Luick requested to meet with the Board to talk about the alternatives he proposed to the DNR. A meeting will be scheduled in the near future.

Steve Vigesaa joined the meeting.

Interstate Engineering

RS #1- Engineer Bassingthwaite reported on the status of the RS #1 extension and reconstruction (Phase1). The contractors are working; however, Tightline Drainage only has half the equipment on site than what they reported they would have.

Retention

Engineer Bassingthwaite updated the Board on the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCP). He has been working on the partnership agreement and hopes to have it completed within the next few weeks.

Proj #12

Discussion was held relative to Ivan Hegseth's request to have the arch culvert lowered in the SECR Section 6, Garborg Township. A motion was made by Mgr. Friskop and seconded by Mgr. Rostad to maintain the existing elevation of the arch culvert. Upon roll call vote, Mgrs. Burvee, Moffet, and Friskop voted in favor of said motion; Mgrs. Rostad and Haugen against said motion. The motion carried. (Hegseth #12-100)

Senator Luick and Mr. Vigesaa left the meeting.

Proj #72

Technician Johnson reported that he spoke with Deb Syvertson, of Red River Telephone, about the fiber optic cable in the SE1/4 Section 7, Abercrombie West. She

indicated the cable is 12 inches below the washed out area on the drain slope. Mrs. Syvertson does not feel the line needs to be moved, but wants to be contacted one week in advance of repairs being made, so she can recheck the site to see if anything has changed. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Rostad authorizing JAV Construction to repair the washout and seed the field side slope in the SE1/4 Section 7, Abercrombie West. Dan Hendrickson to supply dirt and straw bales. The motion carried unanimously. Technician Johnson will contact Mr. Hendrickson. (Loff #13-089)

Engineer Bassingthwaite left the meeting.

2016 Budget

A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Friskop to approve the 2016 budget as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

WSI Ergonomic Grant

Consensus of the Managers was to submit the Phase II ergonomic grant application to WSI for a desk and other office equipment.

Proj #63

Gordon Olson contacted Technician Johnson about flap gates on Proj #63 in the E1/2 Section 9, Nansen Township. Technician Johnson reported two gates need to be replaced in the NE1/4 and a new culvert and flap gate is needed in the SECR SE1/4. An inlet culvert is also needed in the SE1/4 Section 21, Nansen Township. (RCWRD #13-044) Appl #15-109 was completed for Section 9 and a motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Friskop to assign all work, as reported, to JAV Construction. The motion carried unanimously.

Proj #67-8(67)

Technician Johnson reported that Frank Hlavnicka is willing to install the berm in the S1/2 Section 23, West End Township. Mr. Hlavnick would hire Marshall Braaten to haul dirt to the site, but he would do the work himself. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Friskop approving installation of a berm in the S1/2 Section 23, West End Township. Berm must be 6 inches below the shoulder of the road; Technician Johnson to oversee the work. Work at no cost to the drain. The motion carried unanimously. (Hlavnicka #15-104)

SWCR Section 5, Antelope Township

A motion was made by Mgr. Friskop and seconded by Mgr. Rostad authorizing JAV Construction to remove the beaver dam located in the SWCR Section 5, Antelope Township. Work at Waterways expense. The motion carried unanimously.

Cattail Spraying

A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Haugen authorizing Larson Helicopters to spray the drains for cattails with the exception of Drs. #1, 2, 5(27), 10, 41, 48 and 95. Gary Friskop to spray Dr #41. The motion carried unanimously.

2015 Drain Levies

The Managers reviewed the financial status of all drain maintenance accounts. Discussion was held relative to fund balances and work pending and anticipated. A motion was made by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to levy the following drain maintenance assessments for the purpose of paying for work done in 2015 and anticipated maintenance expenses in 2016 and beyond. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Drain #</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>	<u>Drain #</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
Dr. #1	\$1.00 Weighted	Dr. #2	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #3	\$2.00 Weighted	Dr. #4	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #5	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #6	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #7	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #10	\$2.00 Weighted
Dr. #12	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #14	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #15	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #17	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #18	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #19	\$3.00 Weighted

<u>Drain #</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>	<u>Drain #</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
Dr. #26	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #31	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #34	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #35	\$3.00 Weighted
Dr. #39	\$4.00 Across Board	Dr. #41	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #48	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #55	\$3.00 Weighted
Dr. #58	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #62	\$3.00 Weighted
Dr. #63	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #65	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #66	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #67-8	\$4.00 Weighted
Dr. #72	\$4.00 Weighted	Dr. #95	\$4.00 Across Board
Dr. #97	\$3.00 Across Board	CR #1	\$0.75 Weighted
RS #1	\$4.00 Weighted		

Tri-County Water Resource District

Discussion was held relative to a new Tri-County Joint Water Resource District agreement and consent to Ohnstad Twichell's legal representation of the three individual Boards as well as the Tri-County Board. A conference call was held with Attorney Fredricks for the purpose of offering alternative language for points of concern within the Joint Board agreement. Attorney Fredricks felt the alternative language was a viable option. It will be discussed by the Tri-County Executive Committee at their next meeting. Upon conclusion of the conference call, a motion was made by Mgr. Haugen and seconded by Mgr. Burvee authorizing Chr. Moffet to sign the document granting the Richland County Water Resource District's consent for Ohnstad Twichell, PC to provide legal representation to the individual Ransom, Richland, and Sargent Water Resource Boards and the Tri-County Joint Water Resource Board. The motion carried unanimously.

Flood Diversion Board of Authority

Discussion was held in regard to the Richland County Water Resource District having a presence at Flood Diversion Board of Authority meetings. Mgr. Friskop has been serving as the District's representative, but has had numerous conflicts. Consensus of the Managers was for Technician Johnson to attend the meetings.

Applications

Appl #15-110, Jay & Cara Myers, W1/2 Sec 1, Homestead Twp A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Friskop to approve the installation of drain tile. Work at no cost to the RCWRD. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to approve drain tile Appls #15-111 through #15-114 and to refer the outlets to the respective Township Boards of Supervisors. Work at no cost to the drains or RCWRD. The motion carried unanimously.

Appl #15-111	Northwest Land, LP	NE1/4 Sec 29, Center East
Appl #15-112	Kelly Miller	SW1/4 Sec 22, Abercrombie West
Appl #15-113	Gregg Johnson, etal	SE1/4 Sec 17, Colfax East
Appl #15-114	Nancy Johnson, etal	NW1/4 Sec 17, Colfax East

Appl #15-115, Mark Meyer: SW1/4 Sec 30, Moran Twp A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Haugen to refer the application to the Moran Township Board of Supervisors. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Friskop to refer Appls #15-116 through #15-118 to the Richland County Highway Department. The motion carried unanimously.

Appl #15-116	T. Fenske & J. Leinen	SE1/4 Sec 16, Brandenburg Twp
Appl #15-117	J. Leinen & R. Stoltenow	S1/2 Sec 15, Brandenburg Twp
Appl #15-118	Herb Prochnow	SE1/4 Sec 7, Devillo Twp

Appl #15-119, Scott Heley: N1/2 Sec 24, Dexter Twp A motion was made by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Friskop to refer the application to the ND Department of Transportation. The motion carried unanimously.

Technician's Report

Technician Johnson reported on projects being worked on by the contractors.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chr. Moffet adjourned the meeting at 12:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Zentgraf
Secretary

Don Moffet
Chairman of the Board