

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, ND
June 9, 2015

The Richland County Water Resource Board (RCWRB) met June 9, 2015 at 9:45 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 June 2, 2015 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Rostad to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2015 special meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Matters

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

Proj #39

The Managers and Engineer Bassingthwaite discussed the June 4, 2015 meeting about cleaning the channel and culvert work. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Rostad to approve Interstate Engineering's recommendation of April 27, 2015 with the exception of combining the field inlets in the W1/2W1/2 Section 20, Fairmount South. Work assigned to JBX at Proj #39 expense. The motion carried unanimously. (RCWRD #11-275)

Engineer Bassingthwaite left the meeting.

Mail

1. BNY Mellon- \$4,895,093.18 pledged securities
2. Flood Diversion Board of Authority- Notice of June 11, 2015 meeting
3. Dakota Metro Flood Board- Notice of June 11, 2015 meeting.

Proj #10

Mgr. Haugen reported that water is being held up in Proj #10 due to cattails in the channel along Hwy 27 at the north end of the NW1/4 Section 8, Freeman Township. Appl #15-051 was completed and a motion was made by Mgr. Haugen and seconded by Mgr. Rostad to assign the cleaning to JAV Construction. Work at Proj #10 expense. The motion carried unanimously.

Proj #72

Technician Johnson reported erosion around the north wall of the drop structure on Proj #72, located in the SE1/4 Section 8, Abercrombie West. He recommended repairs be made as soon as possible. Appl #15-052 was completed and a motion was made by Mgr. Haugen and seconded by Mgr. Rostad authorizing JAV Construction to proceed with repairing the drop structure in the SE1/4 Section 8, Abercrombie West. Work at Proj #72 expense. The motion carried unanimously.

Proj #14

Technician Johnson received a report of a sink hole in the SW1/4 Section 30, Viking Township. It appears the band on an arch pipe has separated and caused the sink hole. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Haugen authorizing JAV Construction to repair the culvert and sink hole in the SW1/4 Section 30, Viking Township. Work at Proj #14 expense. The motion carried unanimously. (RCWRD #15-046)

NE1/4 Section 30, Waldo Township

Donnelyn Krump met with the Board to express her concerns about the gate on the culvert in the NE1/4 Section 30, Waldo Township. She feels the gate should come off so water from her family's land can go east. Earlier in the day, Ms. Krump spoke with

Richland County Asst Engineer Lowell Bladow about removing the gate. She said Mr. Bladow agreed the gate should be removed. Mgr. Burvee explained to Ms. Krump that their water should go north and east and the gate should not be removed. The north-south ditch adjacent to the Krump property needs to be cleaned so the water can go north. Ms. Krump said the water will not go east at the northeast corner of their property because of the trees in the east ditch in the NWCR Section 29. She has tried to find out whose property the trees are on, but has not been able to get any answers. Ms. Krump was given an application form to complete and submit to the District for cleaning the road ditch.

Ms. Krump also spoke with the Board about erosion on her family's land at the north end of the SE1/4 Section 19, Waldo Township. (An objection was handled relative to this issue in 2012). Mgr. Burvee explained to Ms. Krump that work was done to fill in the eroded area at the time the objection was filed. He suggested Krumps grass the waterway to keep it from eroding.

Retention

The Managers discussed the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP). As previously reported by Engineer Bassingthwaite, in order to pursue RCPP funding, the Board is required to adopt a resolution to actively pursue a Watershed Protection Planning Study. As this time a motion was made by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to adopt the following resolution:

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT RESOLUTION REGARDING NATIONAL WATERSHED PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Richland County Water Resource District (the "District") is a North Dakota water resource district and political subdivision under N.D. Cent. Code Chapter 61-16.1.

WHEREAS, the District is a member of the Red River Joint Water Resource District (the "RRJWRD"); the RRJWRD is a joint water resource district comprised of fourteen North Dakota water resource districts in the Red River Basin, created as a separate political subdivision in accordance with N.D. Cent. Code § 61-16.1-11.

WHEREAS, the RRJWRD is a member of the Red River Retention Authority (the "RRRA"), a joint powers entity comprised of the RRJWRD and its Minnesota counterpart in the Red River Basin, the Red River Watershed Management Board.

WHEREAS, the RRRA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service ("NRCS") recently entered into a MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING dated May 21, 2015 (the "MOU"), regarding the entities' collaboration and partnership to encourage participation in the Regional Conservation Partnership Program ("RCPP"), an NRCS program intended to encourage installation and maintenance of conservation plan activities and systems to address priority natural resource concerns.

WHEREAS, the RRRA is an "eligible partner entity" under RCPP and is qualified to provide support to the individual water resource district members of the RRJWRD; under the MOU, the District and all other members of the RRJWRD are "eligible program participants" under RCPP.

WHEREAS, the District wishes to pursue RCPP assistance regarding a Watershed Protection Planning Study, in accordance with the requirements of NRCS' National Watershed Program, and to ultimately pursue development of a project.

WHEREAS, the District has reviewed the NRCS National Watershed Program Manual (the "NWPM") and is prepared to comply with the requirements of project sponsors under the NWPM.

WHEREAS, more specifically, the District possesses eminent domain authority; the District is prepared to obtain the requisite licenses for a study and project; the District possesses the ability to create special assessment districts to fund and finance the local share of project development, operation, and maintenance; the District is prepared to engage the public to encourage public participated in the watershed project planning process; the District is equipped to administer all contracting regarding project construction; the District is prepared to enact and

implement operating plans, regulations, and requirements regarding watershed management features; and the District possesses authority to ensure proper project installation, operation, and maintenance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this RESOLUTION is the District's official RESOLUTION as required under the NWPM to pursue a Watershed Protection Planning Study, in full compliance with the NWPM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District will comply with its other obligations under the NWPM.

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Don Moffet, Chairman

ATTEST:

Monica Zentgraf
Secretary-Treasurer

Dated: June 9, 2015

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chr. Moffet adjourned the meeting at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Zentgraf
Secretary

Don Moffet
Chairman of the Board