

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, ND
March 14, 2017

The Richland County Water Resource Board (RCWRB) met March 14, 2017 at 9:00 AM at the Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, North Dakota.

THOSE PRESENT: Managers Arv Burvee, Gary Friskop, Don Moffet, Engineering Technician Justin Johnson, and Secretary-Treasurer Monica Zentgraf.

THOSE ABSENT: Managers James Haugen and Robert Rostad.

Minutes

The February 28, 2017 minutes were presented. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports

A motion was made by Mgr. Moffet and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to accept the February 2017 financial reports as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mail

- 1.) Bank of New York Mellon- Pledged securities totaled \$5,766,464.02 on February 28, 2017.
- 2.) North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund Newsletter.
- 3.) North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund- Notice of annual meeting and proxy form. Consensus of the Board was to complete the proxy form.
- 4.) Office of the North Dakota State Engineer- Notice of application on petition for appropriation of water from ground water sources for Minn-Dak Farmers Cooperative. Point(s) of diversion are located in the NE1/4 Section 20, Center East.

Legislative Update

Discussion was held relative to the numerous water bills moving through the Legislature. Committee hearings will be held this week on four of the bills. Manager Burvee and the Office Staff will attend the hearings.

Engineer Mike Bassingthwaite joined the meeting.

2010 FEMA Report

The Secretary presented the final 2010 FEMA report to the Board. She reported final payment was received and all projects have been closed out. Total FEMA money received for the 2010 disaster was \$305,544.79; net drain expenses were \$125,990.55.

Technician's Report

Mr. Johnson reported that American Enterprises has removed the debris from the Wild Rice River, in the SECR SW1/4 Section 34, Walcott East. (RCWRD #17-003)

Proj #14 Reconstruction

Bid opening was held at this time for the reconstruction of Proj #14, in Sections 26, 27, 28, and 29, Viking Township. Several contractors were present. The following bids were received:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Berg Enterprises	\$350,948.70
Comstock Construction, Inc	\$417,480.00
D. L. Barkie Construction, Inc	\$478,943.30
Dennis Drewes, Inc	\$497,504.50
Gladen Construction, Inc	\$469,953.35
JAV Construction, Inc	\$280,305.00
Knife River Materials	\$469,559.85
M & M Constructors, LLC	\$495,971.71

Riley Bros. Construction, Inc	\$338,360.90
R. J. Zavoral & Sons, Inc	\$587,569.00
Sellin Brothers, Inc	\$816,962.91
Skyview Construction	\$723,720.22

A motion was made by Mgr. Moffet and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to refer the bids to Interstate Engineering for verification and tabulation. The motion carried unanimously.

The North Dakota State Water Commission (ND SWC) cost share agreement for Proj #14 was presented to the Board. Total cost share assistance is \$315,000. A motion was made by Mgr. Moffet and seconded by Mgr. Burvee authorizing Chr. Friskop to sign the agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

The next item of business relative to the Proj #14 reconstruction was establishing the purchase price for the rights-of-way. Manager Haugen was placed on speaker phone at this time. Comparable sales figures, from the Richland County Tax Assessor's Office, were reviewed. After much consideration, a motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to set the purchase price for the permanent rights-of-way at \$4,500/acre and temporary construction easements at \$150/acre for two years. Upon roll call vote, Managers Haugen, Moffet, Friskop, and Burvee voted in favor of said motion; no Managers voted against said motion. Manager Rostad was absent and not voting. The motion carried. (RCWRD #11-001)

Engineer Bassingthwaite left the meeting.

Applications

Applications #17-006 and #17-007 were reviewed by the Board. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to approve the applications at no cost to the RCWRD. The motion carried unanimously.

Appl #17-006	Mark Boyer	SW1/4 Sec 24, Danton Twp
Appl #17-007	Mark Boyer	NW1/4 Sec 25, Danton Twp

Appl #17-008, Mark Boyer: NE1/4 Sec 30, Danton Twp A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to approve the field ditch cleaning contingent upon the signature of RCM Family LLLP for work in the west field ditch. Signature to be filed with RCWRD before work commences. Work at no cost to the RCWRD. The motion carried.

Appls #17-009 and #17-010 were reviewed by the Managers and referred to the Richland County Highway Department, as the work is within the County's right-of-way and under the jurisdiction of the Richland County Highway Department.

Appl #17-009	Ben Haberman	SW1/4 Sec 18, Antelope Twp
Appl #17-010	Richard Riemann	NW1/4 Sec 17, Elma Twp

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chr. Friskop adjourned the meeting at 11:10 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Zentgraf
 Secretary

Gary Friskop
 Chairman of the Board