

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, ND
December 17, 2019

The Richland County Water Resource Board ("RCWRB") met December 17, 2019 at 9:00 AM at the Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, North Dakota.

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

THOSE ABSENT: Arv Burvee

Minutes

The November 26, 2019 minutes were presented. A motion was made by Mgr. Haugen and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to approve the November 26, 2019 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Matters

- November 2019 Financial Reports- A motion was made by Mgr. Moffet and seconded by Mgr. Rostad to accept the November 2019 financial reports as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- Bremer Bank Letter of Credit- 110% of the District's securities totaled \$6,995,486.36 on November 30, 2019. The Letter of Credit in the amount of \$8,000,000.00 adequately covers the District's funds.

Mail

- 1) US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)- Notice of the USACE awarding a \$59,448,550 contract to Ames Construction to complete the Wild Rice River structure portion of the Fargo-Moorhead Flood Risk Management Project.
- 2) Red River Retention Authority- Minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting. Specifically reviewed were the minutes pertaining to the Regional Conservation Partnership Program ("RCPP"). Secretary-Treasurer Zentgraf reported on the financial status of the District's North Branch Antelope Creek Watershed Study RCPP project. Only \$4,000 remain on the contract with Interstate Engineering. (RCWRD #16-017)

Houston Engineering

Gregg Thielman and Gabe Bladow met with the Board at this time. The following matters were discussed:

- North Dakota State Water Commission ("ND SWC")- Mr. Thielman and Mr. Bladow provided an update of the Commission's December 6, 2019 meeting, most specifically regarding the economic analysis requirement if pursuing cost share assistance.

- Proj #31 Reconstruction- Mr. Bladow provided a report on the status of the preliminary design for the reconstruction of Proj #31, located in the SE1/4 Section 21 and E1/2 Section 28, Devillo Township. Discussion included the requirement for an economic analysis, ditch bank height in the SE1/4 Section 28, and right-of-way negotiations. Since Mgr. Burvee was not at the meeting today, Mr. Bladow will contact him to provide an update and gather his input regarding the height of the ditch bank and the manner in which to proceed with right-of-way negotiations. Mr. Bladow will continue work on the plans and calculate the amount of right-of-way needed. (RCWRD #18-022)

Mr. Thielman and Mr. Bladow left the meeting.

Technician's Report

Mr. Johnson reported that JBX intends to move forward with tree grinding this week.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chr. Friskop adjourned the meeting at 11:40 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Zentgraf
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Secretary

Gary Friskop
Gary Friskop
Chairman of the Board