

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, ND
July 23, 2019

The Richland County Water Resource Board ("RCWRB") met July 23, 2019 at 8:00 AM at the Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, North Dakota.

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

THOSE ABSENT: None

Minutes

The July 16, 2019 minutes were presented. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to approve the July 16, 2019 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Matters

- Pay Estimates-
 - Proj #7 Reconstruction- Pay Estimate #2 to JAV Construction in the amount of \$131,129.91
 - RS #1 Reconstruction- Pay Estimate #6 to JAV Construction in the amount of \$12,350.00

A motion was made by Mgr. Haugen and seconded by Mgr. Rostad to approve the pay estimates as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

● Vouchers- Vouchers for the month of July 2019 were presented for the Board's review and approval. A motion was made by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to approve Vouchers #18120 through #18144 and the electronic funds transfer for the IRS payment. The motion carried unanimously.

Mail:

- 1.) Houston Engineering- Task Order for engineering services for the Proj #31 reconstruction. Upon review, a motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Rostad to approve the Proj #31 Task Order as presented. The motion carried unanimously. (RCWRD #18-022)

Proj #66A

It was reported that the owner of the SE1/4 Section 22, Mooreton Township, planted corn on the backslope of Proj #66A. Additionally, the crop was sprayed and the vegetation on the backslope was killed. The Managers are concerned about erosion due to the lack of vegetation. Additionally, concern was expressed that the slope is too steep to seed; the best resolution may be to leave the corn stubble. Chr. Friskop will inspect the ditch and provide a report at the next meeting regarding how many rows of corn stubble should be left when the crop is harvested this fall.

Technician's Report

● Cattail Spraying- Mike Larson, of Larson Helicopters, contacted Mr. Johnson about cattail spraying. Mr. Larson does not feel he can get a good kill at this time due to high water levels in the drains in the northwest part of the county. He would like to wait one to two weeks for the water to recede. The Managers indicated cattails have started to go to seed. They feel the water is low enough for Mr. Larson to start down south and work his way north, which will allow a few additional days for the water to recede. Mr. Johnson will contact Mr. Larson accordingly.

● Proj #3- The Managers viewed the drone video Mr. Johnson shot of the SW1/4 Section 4, W1/2 Section 9, and NW1/4 Section 16, Lamars Township, where the Board is contemplating reconstruction. No action required; the Board is

awaiting Interstate Engineering's report for the SW1/4 Section 4 and W1/2 Section 9. (RCWRD #19-004)

Site #417, located in the SE1/4 Section 2, Lamars Township:
Rusted out 36 inch inlet culvert and flap gate.

Appl #19-034 was completed and a motion was made by Mgr. Burvee, seconded by Mgr. Rostad, and unanimously carried to assign installation of a new 36 inch culvert and flap gate to Comstock Construction.

●Proj #7 Reconstruction- Mr. Johnson reported Ryan Johnson requested inlet culverts be installed in the SE1/4 Section 22 and the NE1/4 Section 27, both in Garborg Township. Considerable discussion followed relative to the financial status of the construction fund and whether culverts should be installed or field ditching be done to bring the water to existing inlets in both quarters. A motion was made by Mgr. Haugen and seconded by Mgr. Burvee to approve an inlet culvert and flap gate for the SE1/4 Section 22, Garborg Township. Upon roll call vote Mgr. Haugen voted in favor of said motion; Mgrs. Moffet, Friskop, Rostad, and Burvee voted against said motion. The motion failed. Mr. Johnson will notify Ryan Johnson of the Board's decision. (RCWRD #17-016)

●Proj #65: Mr. Johnson presented a drone video of the E1/2 Section 23, Brandenburg Township, which shows erosion damage on the east slope of the drain.

Site #415- SE1/4 Section 26, Brandenburg Township- Erosion
Site #416- SE1/4 Section 23, Brandenburg Township- Rusted out 15 inch inlet culvert.

A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Haugen authorizing Interstate Engineering to provide a recommendation for repair of Site #415 with concrete erosion blanket. The motion carried unanimously.

2020 Budget

2020 budget items were discussed; the budget will be finalized and presented to the Board at their next meeting.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Zentgraf
Monica Zentgraf
Secretary

Gary Friskop
Gary Friskop
Chairman of the Board