

RICHLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
Richland County Courthouse, Wahpeton, ND
April 3, 2018

The Richland County Water Resource Board (RCWRB) met April 3, 2018 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

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chr. Burvee.

Minutes

The March 27, 2018 minutes were presented. A motion was made by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to approve the March 27, 2018 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Matters

●March 2018 Financial Reports- A motion was made by Mgr. Haugen and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to accept the March 2018 financial reports as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mail

- 1.) North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund (NDRF)- Notice of the May 17, 2018 annual meeting and election of Board of Directors. A motion was made by Mgr. Moffet and seconded by Mgr. Haugen to appoint the Chairperson of the NDRF as its proxy holder, to attend and vote for Randy Bina at the annual meeting of members of the NDRF to be held on May 17, 2018, and any adjournments thereof, to cast the votes of the RCWRD on such business as may properly come before the meeting in conformance with the directions of the majority of the Board of Directors of the NDRF. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2.) Red River Joint Water Resource District- Agenda for the full board meeting on April 11, 2018.

Chr. Friskop joined the meeting. Vice Chr. Burvee turned the meeting over to the Chairman.

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- 3.) Interstate Engineering- Explanation of \$8,352.61 payment from Northern Improvement for dirt purchased from the Proj #5(27) reconstruction in 2017 along with a North Dakota Department of Transportation Pit Release Statement for the District to approve. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Moffet to approve the Pit Release Statement and authorize Chr. Friskop to sign accordingly. The motion carried unanimously. (RCWRD #14-124)
- 4.) Interstate Engineering- Report in response to Danton Township Board of Supervisors Appl #17-030, in which the Township Officers expressed concern about water from Projs #67-8 washing out road crossings during flood events. The Township Board requested the District "check water coming out of legal drains to be sure outflow does not exceed what culverts can handle". A meeting with Mr. Bassingthwaite, of Interstate Engineering, will be scheduled for the purpose of discussing the report.

Township Officers Association Meeting

Mgr. Burvee reported on the March 27, 2018 annual spring Township Officers Association meeting.

The RCWRB recessed at 8:40 A.M. and joined the Richland County Commission meeting.

Richland County Commission

At the request of the Richland County Commission, the RCWRB attended the Commission meeting for the following:

- RCWRD Application Process**- Mgr. Burvee explained the change made to the RCWRD's surface drainage application process.

- Fargo-Moorhead Diversion Authority**- Representatives of the Fargo-Moorhead Diversion Authority presented "Plan B" and fielded various questions.

- Richland-Wilkin JPA**- Various comments regarding the Diversion Authority's Plan B were made by Cash Aaland and Craig Hertsgaard.

The RCWRB reconvened at 11:00 A.M.

Helendale Private Drain, LLC

The Secretary reported she had a telephone conversation with Cam Leedahl, of Helendale Private Drain, LLC. Mrs. Leedahl explained that the payments made to the RCWRD were for Helendale Private Drain's application (#13-088) and that all bills associated with that application have been paid in full. She further explained that the remainder of the bill is for processing the Jacob and Plankers complaints and is the responsibility of the landowners. She will contact the Office within the next few weeks with further information regarding repayment of those expenses.

Banking Services- The Secretary-Treasurer reported that Legal Counsel had no issues with Bremer Bank's use of a "Letter of Credit" in lieu of pledged securities to cover the District's investments.

Township Drainage Application Form

Mgr. Burvee reported that he was contacted by a Township Officer about the possibility of the District drawing up a surface drainage application form which all Township Boards could utilize since the RCWRD eliminated their application process for work within township road rights-of-way. Consensus of the Managers was to pattern a form off the Districts' form. The form will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Meeting with District 25 Legislators

Mgr. Moffet reported that he was approached by Senator Luick and Representative Schreiber-Beck about meeting with the RCWRB to discuss the 2017 Legislative Session. The Managers were reminded that the Red River Joint Water Resource Board (RRJWRB) is planning meetings with local Water Resource Boards and their respective Legislators in the coming months. Purpose of the meetings is to discuss future legislation and issues related to previous legislation. The Managers felt the meeting involving the RRJWRB would be sufficient. The Legislators will be notified of the pending meeting.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Zentgraf
Monica Zentgraf
Secretary

Gary Friskop
Gary Friskop
Chairman of the Board