The Richland County Water Resource Board (RCWRB) met May 1, 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

Minutes
The April 24, 2018 minutes were presented. A motion was made by Mgr. Moffet and seconded by Mgr. Haugen to approve the April 24, 2018 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mail
1.) Attorney Sean Fredricks- Email response on Interstate Engineering’s findings regarding Proj #67-8(67) effects on Danton Township roads. Consensus of the Managers was for Legal Counsel to prepare a written response to the Danton Township Board of Supervisors. (Danton Township #17-030)
2.) Interstate Engineering- Hydraulic study for the Proj #95 culvert located between the SECR Section 21 and NWCR Section 27, Antelope Township. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Rostad authorizing JBX to install an 18 inch culvert alongside the existing 24 inch culvert, per Interstate Engineering’s recommendation. Antelope Township Board of Supervisors approval required; work at Proj #95 expense. Mgrs. Burvee, Rostad, Friskop, and Haugen voted in favor of said motion; Mgr. Moffet voted against said motion. The motion carried. (Eback #18-001)

Proj #4(28) Reconstruction
Estimated costs for the reconstruction of Proj #4(28) were reviewed with the Managers. Consensus of the Managers was not to bond for the project, as it appears the project can be fully funded with the maintenance money on hand plus the 2018 maintenance assessment. (RCWRD #17-095)

Proj #63
The state surface drain application for the work planned on Proj #63 in the E1/2 Sections 9, 16, 21, and the NE1/4 Section 28, all in Nansen Township, was presented for the Chairman’s signature. A motion was made by Mgr. Rostad and seconded by Mgr. Burvee authorizing Chr. Friskop to sign the surface drain application. The motion carried unanimously. (Loff #15-054)

Broadleaf Weed Spraying
Discussion was held regarding spraying the drains for broadleaf weeds. A motion was made by Mgr. Burvee and seconded by Mgr. Moffet authorizing Larson Helicopters to spray all drains for broadleaf weeds with the exception of Projs #1, 4(4,28,32,&33), 19, and 41 (N1/2SE1/4 Section 1, Mooreton Township & W1/2SW1/4 Section 6, Center West). The motion carried unanimously.

Technician’s Report
Mr. Johnson provided reports on the following matters:
• Cattail Spraying- Mr. Johnson spoke with Mike Larson, of Larson Helicopters, about the timing of cattail spraying and spraying in early July. Mr. Larson indicated the best kill is in the fall, but it is the Board’s decision when they want it done. Discussion concluded with the Managers opinion being to try spraying in July. A final decision will be made in June.
Because Mr. Johnson is paid (by virtue of his salary) when flying the drone, a test is required. He is researching classes and test requirements.

Metro Flood Diversion Authority Meeting- Mr. Johnson reported on the April 26, 2018 meeting.

Adjournment
There being no further business to come before the Board, Chr. Friskop adjourned the meeting at 10:20 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Zentgraf
Secretary

Gary Friskop
Chairman of the Board