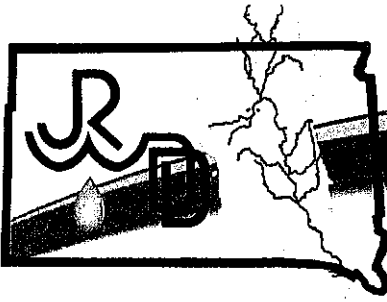


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JAMES RIVER WATER DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES JULY 19, 2018

The James River Water Development District (JRWDD) Board of Directors convened at 9:00 A.M. for its regular meeting on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at the District Office in Huron, South Dakota.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Dan Koupal – Mitchell
Clinton Bauer – Freeman
Randy Stanley – Groton
Mike Wiese – Aberdeen
Frank Amundson – Huron
LeRoy Braun – Mellette
Carol Millan - Mitchell
Robert Braun – Aberdeen
Dan Klimisch – Yankton

DIRECTORS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Judy Smoyer, CFO & Associate Manager
Dave Bartel, District Manager
Rocky Knippling, Watershed Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT: Attached list.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **Motion** by Director Millan, seconded by Director Koupal to approve the agenda as printed. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MAY 10, 2018 MINUTES: Motion by Director Amundson, seconded by Director L. Braun to approve the Minutes as printed. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Joe Kippes, Lake Committee Member updated the board on the activities of the Lake Mitchell Restoration project. They will likely be coming to the Board in the future for water sampling.

EXTEND GRANT AGREEMENT WITH COTTONWOOD LAKE ASSOCIATION: Cottonwood Lake Association is requesting an extension to the shoreline stabilization grant. Currently there is \$26,855.23 remaining which will expire on September 8, 2018. **Motion** by Director Koupal, seconded by Director Stanley to extend the shoreline stabilization grant with Cottonwood Lake Association until September 8, 2019. **Motion carried.**

ENHANCED CRP PROGRAM: Dave Bartel is requesting an additional \$50,000 to improve water quality within the James River watershed through the Enhanced CRP Program available now for a number of USDA Continuous CRP practices. The JRWDD Enhanced CRP program consists of a one-time, up-front, 75% incentive payment of the CRP base-rate in addition to the producers regular CRP payment for the following practices; CP8A – Grass Waterways, CP21 – Filter Strips, CP22 – Riparian Buffer, CP29 –

Marginal Pastureland Wildlife Habitat Buffer and CP30 – Marginal Pastureland Wetland Buffer. **Motion** by Director Amundson seconded by Director Millan to authorize allocated \$50,000 to the Enhanced CRP Program. **Motion carried on a role call vote.** These funds will expire on July 19, 2019.

HUTCHINSON COUNTY – BANK STABILIZATION: Director Bauer was contacted in June by the Hutchinson County Highway Department concerning a bridge site that was being damaged by extreme flooding caused by a recent 10” rainfall. The damage which occurred was controlled and was limited. The project consisted of placing 150 ton of riprap at the site. Total cost of the emergency repair was \$5,532. **Motion** by Director Amundson seconded by Director Bauer to authorize cost-share assistance up to a maximum of \$2,000 to Hutchinson County Highway Department for their emergency bank stabilization in Hutchinson County. **Motion carried on a role call vote.**

PROJECT ASSISTANCE FUNDING GUIDELINES: The Board discussed how to best allocate their project assistance funds.

- Funding limits per project
- Funding limits on dams
- Funding of culverts, bridge removal
- Funding tree planting efforts

Staff will update the project assistance application and will bring to the next meeting for approval.

SOUTH CENTRAL WATERSHED PROJECT UPDATE: Rocky Knipling updated the Board on the South Central Watershed Project.

- The Fourth Amendment to Grant Agreement for the South Central Watershed Implementation Project Segment 1 was signed on July 13, 2018 by Chairman Klimisch.
- The office received grant agreement 2019G-WQ-200 for \$500,000 from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Water Quality grant for the South Central Watershed Implementation Segment 1 project. **Motion** by Director Wiese, seconded by Director L. Braun to authorize Chairman Klimisch to sign Grant Agreement 2019G-WQ-200. **Motion carried.**

DISTRICT UPDATE: Staff and Directors reported on the following activities of the District:

- Included in the board packet, by Dave Bartel, was a log of meetings attended, project site visits and other items he has been working on.
- 2017 audit has been started.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Evaluations have been submitted to Director Millan. The committee will meet prior to the next meeting and will provide an update.

PRELIMINARY 2019 BUDGET: The budget committee provided a preliminary 2019 budget. Discussion was held in regards to taking the allowed CPI and growth. The CPI for taxes payable in 2019 has been set at 2.1% (\$20,137) and growth is estimated at 0.9% (\$8,630). The last time the District took their allowed CPI and/or growth was for the 2011 taxes payable in 2012. At that time the Mill Levy was \$0.098, the Mill Levy for 2018 is \$0.060. **Motion** by Director Millan, seconded by Director Amundson to hold the public hearing on the District’s FY 2019 budget on Thursday, September 13, 2018, at 9:00 am at My Place Hotel in Aberdeen and to authorize publication of the draft budget as presented. **Motion carried.**

TREASURERS REPORT: The Board reviewed the May 2018 financial reports. **Motion** by Director L. Braun, seconded by Director Wiese to approve the May 2018 financials as printed. **Motion carried.**

The Board reviewed the June 2018 financial reports. **Motion** by Director R. Braun, seconded by Director Amundson to approve the June 2018 financials as printed. **Motion carried.**

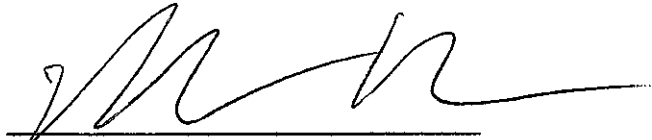
EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

BOARD OF DIRECTOR AND STAFF REIMBURSEMENTS: **Motion** by Director L. Braun, seconded by Director Amundson to approve staff and Director expenses. **Motion passed.**

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held September 13 in Aberdeen, SD at 9:00 am.

ADJOURN: Being no further business, Chairman Klimisch declared the meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.

Respectfully submitted:

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Secretary

