Programs, Projects & Operations
Subcommittee Meeting
June 6, 2006
8:00 p.m.
Agenda

Programs, Projects & Operations:
John Conley, Chairman
Rich Tesar, Vice-Chairman
Fred Conley
Rick Kolowski

Alternate Members: Dorothy Lanphier
Jim Thompson
Staff Liaison: Gerry Bowen
Martin Cleveland
Ralph Puls *
Dick Sklenar
Paul Woodward

1. Meeting Called to Order – Chairperson John Conley
2. Quorum Call
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Proof of Publication of Meeting Notice
5. Status of Pigeon/Jones Recreation Site #15 Resources Development Fund Application and Schedule – Ralph Puls and Jason Farnsworth, Olsson & Associates
8. Review of District Vehicle Use Policy – Director Tesar
9. Adjourn
Significant progress has been made in the Pigeon/Jones Watershed including the completion of four of the smaller watershed dams. On March 27, 2006 Dakota County approved an Interlocal Agreement with the P-MRNRD that provides the details regarding the construction of roads at Site 15, the schedule for construction and how the costs will be shared between the two entities. In addition, the project consultant, Olsson Associates has completed the project economic, scientific and technical feasibility studies and the results show the project is feasible.

Attached is a Fact Sheet that summarizes much of the information regarding the economic feasibility of the project. **The overall cost estimate of the project is considerably higher than when the Pre-Feasibility Report was completed in January, 2005.** The total project cost is now estimated at $9,740,000, an increase of 38% over the original estimate of $7,070,000. The major factors contributing to the increase in costs are shown on the Fact Sheet under Total Project Costs. Additional recreational amenities and their cost of construction, an increase in the cost of the dam for technical reasons, an increase in the number of acres of project lands and a steep increase in land values account for the majority of the increase in total costs.

The Fact Sheet also shows that the Project Benefits are substantial and that the Rate of Return on Investment makes the project economically feasible. The Nebraska Resources Development Application will be submitted following a public meeting on the project to be held on June 27, 2006. It is anticipated that NRDF funding for the project will be 60 to 70% of the total project costs.

Also attached for the Subcommittees information is a revised Site 15 Master Plan.
Memorandum

To: Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee

From: Paul Woodward, Water Resources Engineer

Date: June 1, 2006

Re: Amended Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership Interlocal Agreement

Over a year ago, the Partnership initiated a “Watershed by Design” process to develop stormwater management policies as part of a comprehensive Watershed Master Plan in order to meet NPDES Phase II Permit requirements. Following a series of public meetings focused on creating a “Green, Clean, and Safe” watershed, Technical and Policy Workgroups made up of local government representatives, planners, engineers, natural resource agencies, attorneys, developers, and financial bonding companies were established to guide the preparation of such policies.

Over the last 9 months, these Workgroups have prepared and agreed to 6 root policies addressing the following issues: stormwater financing; peak flow reduction; pollution control; landscape preservation, restoration and conservation; erosion and sediment control and other BMPs; and floodplain management. Enclosed is a fact sheet summarizing these proposed policies along with each proposed final policy worksheet.

In order to formally approve these proposed policies, the municipalities and counties in the Partnership are working to include the policies and detention sites in their comprehensive or master plans as well as adopting a new ordinance which references the updated Omaha Regional Stormwater Design Manual. For the District to formally adopt these policies, staff is proposing that the District’s existing Urban Stormwater Management Program (Policy 17.16) be revised to incorporate the proposed policies (see attached).

Management recommends that the proposed revisions to District Policy 17.16, incorporating the proposed Stormwater Policies, be approved.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee

DATE: May 26, 2006

SUBJECT: Contract for Master Meter Vault for Ft. Calhoun

FROM: Dick Sklenar

This past winter the City of Ft. Calhoun requested that another point of entry for rural water be provided for their community. A major development at the south edge of town precipitated the request. The City has agreed to pay for all engineering and construction costs. The District’s engineering consultant (HGM Assoc.) estimated construction costs to be at $61,416.00. The location of the new point of entry for water service is indicated on the map. For the past 26 years, the City has been receiving water service from Washington County RW #1. The City has already paid for ½ half ($28,750) of an earlier estimate to do the work for installing a new point of delivery for water service.

Bids were requested from contractors for the construction of concrete master meter vaults to address the City’s request. Two bids were received on May 23, 2006 (see attached bid tabulation). The review of the bids indicates a recommendation that the firm of Neuvirth’s Construction be awarded the contract in the amount of $53,498.62 for the master meter vaults. The City has been notified of the bids and offers no objection to awarding the contract.

It is recommended that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that Neuvirth’s Construction be awarded the contract for the master meter vault project for the City of Ft. Calhoun in the amount of $53,498.62.