

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

RED RIVER VALLEY COMMITTEE

**Ramada Plaza
Fargo, North Dakota
February 10, 2017**

A meeting of the Red River Valley Committee of the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District was held on February 10, 2017, at the Ramada Plaza, Fargo, North Dakota. The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Vein at 12:40 p.m.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Board Chairman Ken Vein
Director Jay Anderson
Director Geneva Kaiser
Director Mike Tweed
Secretary Duane DeKrey

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Committee Chairman Roger Fenstad

OTHERS PRESENT

Kelly Klosterman, Director, Richland County, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, Mooreton, North Dakota
Kip Kovar, District Engineer, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, Carrington, North Dakota
Merri Mooridian, Administrative Officer, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, Carrington, North Dakota
Lisa Schafer, Executive Assistant, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, Carrington, North Dakota
Steve Burian, Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Grand Forks, North Dakota
Tami Norgard, Vogel Law Firm, Fargo, North Dakota

The meeting was recorded to assist with compilation of the minutes.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Director Anderson to dispense with a reading of the December 16, 2016, committee minutes and approve them as distributed. Second by Director Tweed. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

RED RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY PROJECT UPDATE

The committee reviewed the topics of discussion from the LAWA board meeting held prior to this meeting today.

Director Anderson asked what happened with the quick take authority that was being sought in this legislative session for the Red River Valley Water Supply Project (RRVWSP).

Merri Mooridian, Administrative Officer, Garrison Diversion, said it was taken out of the bill at this time. It was felt that since the RRVWSP is not yet under construction, it may be premature.

Springsted Funding Request -- Ms. Mooridian commented that at the time Ernst & Young was approved as the municipal advisors for the RRVWSP, there was an option included to initiate negotiations with Springsted for the issuance of bonds and any related consultation on an as-needed basis. She asked the committee for a recommendation to the full board authorizing funding in the amount of \$50,000 to work with Springsted on the financial modeling.

Motion by Director Anderson to recommend utilizing Springsted's financial services for the Red River Valley Water Supply Project not to exceed \$50,000 to the full board. Second by Director Kaiser. Upon roll call vote, the following directors voted aye: Anderson, Kaiser, Tweed and Vein. Those voting nay: none. Absent and not voting: Fenstad. Motion carried.

OTHER

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

(SEAL)

Ken Vein, Acting Committee Chairman

Duane DeKrey, Secretary