



ENGLISH RIVER
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English River Watershed Management Authority Meeting Notes

May 16th, 2019, 7:30 PM
English Valleys History Center
108 N Main St, North English

- **Call to Order**

The meeting began at 7:35 PM. There was no quorum at this meeting. Action items were tabled, but discussions and updates continued as planned.

- **Introductions**

The following were in attendance:

Board Members: Jack Seward, Vice Chair (Alternate) – Washington County, Kasey Hutchinson – Johnson County, John Clayton (Alternate) – Poweshiek SWCD

Others: Merle Doty – Poweshiek County, Jody Bailey (Project Coordinator), Kate Giannini – Iowa Flood Center, Colleen Kinney – Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management, Valerie Decker – University of Iowa Center for Evaluation & Assessment, Margaret Clayton, Mario Fenu – Houston Engineering, Inc., Gerry Hanson, Rita McDonald, Bill McDonald

- **Additions to/Approval of Agenda (Action)**

Bailey asked to add a discussion of newly completed subwatershed plans to the agenda. No action taken.

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes (Discussion/Action)**

- November 15th, 2018 – tabled

- **National Disaster Resiliency – Iowa Watershed Approach Project Partner Updates**

Bailey updated attendees on the status of the IWA technical assistance & cost share. Currently, 57 individuals or businesses have applied for assistance. The engineering team has designed approximately 434 structures for 34 of the 57 applicants, to date. Current construction estimates for designed projects is approximately \$3,079,811. The first bid packet is set to be advertised in mid-June, with another 1-2 additional bid packets expected by fall.

Board approval for applications of most recent applications was tabled.

- 2018 Water Quality Sampling – Jody Bailey, ERW Project Coordinator & Chris Jones, University of Iowa IIHR – Hydroscience & Engineering

Bailey and Jones led presentations and discussions on water quality monitoring and data from the English River Watershed and across the state of Iowa.

- **Organizational**

- Archaeological Services Update (Discussion)

Bailey provided an update on a second archaeological firm being hired to help with the backlog of projects requiring archaeological surveys (about 40%).

- **Announcements/Events**

- 2019 ERW Board Meetings
August 15, 2019, 6:30 PM
November 21, 2019, 6:30 PM

- **Adjournment**

Chairperson

Date

Notes taken by J. Bailey