

# English River Watershed Management Authority Meeting Minutes

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 6:30 PM English Valleys History Center 108 N Main St, North English

# • Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair, Abe Miller at 6:34 PM

# • Introductions

The following were in attendance:

Board Members: Abe Miller, Vice Chair (Alternate) – Washington County, Mike Phillips, At Large – Poweshiek SWCD, Kasey Hutchinson, At Large – Johnson County, Mark Kennett, At Large – Poweshiek SWCD, Steve Berger – City of Wellman, Mick Berg, At Large – Keokuk County, Merle Doty – Poweshiek County, Ted Oswald – Iowa County SWCD

Jody Bailey (Project Coordinator), Valerie Decker (University of Iowa Center for Evaluation & Assessment), Maria Urice (Tallgrass Prairie Center), Tom Oswald (Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management, Jeff Geerts – Iowa Economic Development Authority, Hillary Pierce (ISU Extension & Outreach),

• Additions to/Approval of Agenda (Action)

M/S by Berg/Phillips to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

- Approval of Meeting Minutes (Discussion/Action)
  - o November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018
  - May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (no quorum at this meeting)
  - July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 (conference call)

M/S by Berger/Kennett to approve formal meeting minutes from November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Motion passed.

### • National Disaster Resiliency – Iowa Watershed Approach Project Partner Updates

• IWA Cost Share Updates (as of 8/6/19) – Jody Bailey, Project Coordinator

Bailey provided updates on enrollment, field work, and projects going out to bid for the lowa Watershed Approach project. The English River currently has 59 applicants signed up for technical assistance. 34 applicants have received preliminary proposals, to date. There are 464 total structures designed in those preliminary proposals. Current projected construction costs are estimated at \$3.2 million. Bid packet 1 is going out to bid in August and contains \$568k in projects. A second bid packet is projected for fall, totaling \$802k in projects.

 Poweshiek & Iowa County Technical Assistance Applications Review and Approval – Jody Bailey, Project Coordinator (Discussion/<u>Action</u>)

Bailey asked the Board to consider preliminarily approve the following two applications received (pending availability of funding). M/S by Phillips/Berg to approve these applications. Motion passed.

APPLICANT	APP	PROJECT	BMPS
	SUBMITTED	COUNTY	
58-GOODMAN, D	7/6/2019	lowa	Pond, grassed waterway, stormwater detention basin, terrace
57-JOHNSTON, J	7/6/2019	lowa	Grade stabilization, grassed waterway, stormwater detention basin, terrace

• Subwatershed Plans to Counties and SWCDs

Bailey distributed copies of the completed subwatershed plans to board members present to share with their respective counties, communities, and/or SWCDs.

• Organizational

None.

# • Announcements/Events

 <u>2019 ERW Board Meetings</u> November 21, 2019, 6:30 PM

# Adjournment

M/S by Berg/Phillips to adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Chairperson

Date

Notes taken by J. Bailey