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Memorandum

Date: November 10, 2022

To: Board of Directors

From: Mike Murren Projects Coordinator *MM*

Subject: Water Resources Subcommittee meeting minutes

The Water Resources Subcommittee met on Monday November 7, 2022, at 5:30 pm. Members present included Susan Seacrest, Bob Andersen, Larry Ruth, Christine Lamberty and Ken Vogel. Others present were Dick Ehrman, Paul Zillig, and Mike Murren, all with the LPSNRD. Also present was legal Counsel Corey Wasserburger Steve Seglin Chair Deborah Egan. There was one item the Subcommittee took action on and two reports. The meeting was called to order by Director Seacrest at 5:30 p.m.

- Revisions of the LPSNRD Groundwater Rules & Regulations (attachment)

Staff reviewed with the subcommittee the proposed changes that were presented during and after the October 17th WRS meeting. The latest version dated 11/2022 was presented. There was some additional discussion about some minor changes and editing that legal counsel would provide. Ehrman explained the first step in the approval process of the changes is to direct staff to hold a public hearing. After the hearing the WRS will make any possible changes and make a recommendation to the board for a motion to adopt. The edits by legal counsel are attached for your review.

It was moved by Vogel, seconded by Ruth and unanimously approved that the WRS recommend that the Board of Directors direct staff to conduct a public hearing on the proposed revisions to the Groundwater Rules and Regulations.

-Discussion on the Omaha World Herald article on Nitrates and Child cancer rates in Nebraska(attachment)

Zillig briefing went over the newspaper article that was published last Saturday regarding childhood cancer. The article mentioned that NRD's are taking measures to curb the amount of nitrates in our groundwater. He pointed out to the subcommittee to look at section 3 of the 2021 LPSNRD



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Groundwater Plan Annual Review that talks about the groundwater quality monitoring network with in the LPSNRD. There are three more articles in this series that will be released in the future.

-Peining Dam Report

Murren informed the committed about the Piening dam project located on the Seward/Lancaster County line just north of Hwy 34. This is a project where the dam plans were approved in 2006. However due to not being able to obtain a 404 permit at that time it was put on the shelf. We have budgeted money to hopefully complete the project. One item that needs to be verified is does the current design meet todays classification standard. We hired to Schemmer to do a breach analysis to determine the appropriate hazard classification and dam design standards. Murren will provide updates on the study at the next WRS meeting.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:35

Enc.

Cc: Steve Seglin

Corey Wasserburger