Memorandum

Date: June 13, 2019
To: Each Director
From: Paul D. Zillig, General Manager
Subject: Finance and Planning Subcommittee Meeting

The Finance and Planning Subcommittee met on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 5:30 pm in the NRD Large Conference Room. Subcommittee members present were Dan Steinkruger, Sarah Wilson, Karen Amen, Gary Hellerich, Luke Peterson, Bob Andersen, Greg Osborn, and Ray Stevens. Others present included Larry Ruth, Kathy Spence, David Potter and myself.

Chair Steinkruger called the meeting to order. The Subcommittee reviewed the updated Schedule for the FY 2020 Budget and Long Range Implementation Plan (attached). It was pointed out that next week’s Board Meeting starts at 6:00pm so there is ample time for public input on the Budget. The Subcommittee also reviewed a summary of previous budgets, valuations, levy rates, and tax revenues since FY 1997 (attached).

The Subcommittee discussed that this budget includes all the recommendations from the nine Subcommittees, the current expenditures and cash/investments are only for 11 months of the fiscal year, tax revenue for June is anticipated to be approximately $150,000, and staff is working on completing the end of fiscal year expenditures and reimbursements. It is important to incorporate the “end of the Fiscal Year” financials before making any decisions on FY 2020 expenditures or revenues.

The Subcommittee then reviewed Draft #1 of the FY 2020 Budget (attached). I reviewed the Program and Project sections on Information & Education, Land Best Management Practices, Platte River, Trails/Conservation Corridors, Wildlife Management Areas, Conservation Easements, Wetlands, Tree Planting, Missouri River Corridor, Urban Stormwater Management, Lincoln Stream Channel Improvements, O&M of Stormwater Facilities, Community Assistance Programs, Flood Control Dams & Road Structures, Streambank and Channel Erosion, Surface Water Monitoring, Groundwater Management, ENWRA, and Integrated Management Studies. I then reviewed the Operating Cost and Personnel Cost sections. The Subcommittee asked many questions and discussed the proposed actions and budget requests. Overall, the Subcommittee was
pleased with the work of the Subcommittees in preparing and submitting their budget requests. The Subcommittee is looking forward to hearing public input at the June Board Meeting.

The next item on the agenda was to consider a budget overrun. I handed out the listing of FY’19 Budget Overruns that was prepared by Spence (attached). I reported that the Overrun from May was due to a $40,000 expense in the FY’19 Budget for the Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch (PCHB) being miss-coded as a Capital Asset (budget code 7-----) instead of a General Expense (4----). In order to correct this Overrun we will need authorization to move $40,000 from budget code 730200 to budget code 447066. It was moved by Andersen, seconded by Osborn, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to recommend the Board of Directors move $40,000 from budget code 730200 PCHB to 447066 PCHB O&M.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

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