Elm River Joint Water Resource District Tuesday, November 1, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

The Elm River Joint Water Resource District met on Tuesday, November 1, at 9:00 a.m., in Hillsboro, North Dakota, and via WebEx. Present were Chairman Robert Thompson and Water Managers Josh Ihry and Andy Neset. Lyndon Pease, Nathan Trosen, and Ben Kugler, the Board's engineers were also present. Sean Fredricks, the Board's attorney; Jessica Spaeth, Secretary-Treasurer; Traill County WRD Managers Jason Siegert and Gary Thompson; Cassie Tostenson, attorney for the Steele County Water Resource District; Tasha Krueger, Secretary-Treasurer for the Steele County Water Resource District; Steele County WRD Managers Greg Thykeson and Tor Bergstrom were also in attendance.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Manager Ihry moved to approve the minutes of the October 4 meeting. Manager Neset seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Manager Ihry moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Manager Neset seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Manager Neset moved to approve the bills as presented. Manager Ihry seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Elm River Dams No. 1 and No. 2 Improvement Project No. 2022-01 Update

Lyndon Pease provided an update on Elm River Dam No. 1 (Steele Dam) and Dam No. 2 (Augustadt Dam). Moore anticipates submitting final plans and specifications to the State for permitting review by November 18. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2023. Upon receipt of State construction permit, it's planned that a construction cost-share application will be submitted for consideration at the SWC February 9 or April 13, 2023, meetings.

Manager Ihry moved to authorize Secretary-Treasurer Spaeth and Moore to submit construction permits to the state and submit for SWC construction cost-share. Manager Neset seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Elm River Dam No. 3 Update

Lyndon Pease provided an update on Elm River Dam No. 3 (Cass Dam). Landowner notification letters were mailed in October. Notice to Proceed will be mailed upon receipt of contractor's insurance. The substantial completion date is November 11, 2022 and Final Completion date is January 2, 2023.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

APPROVED:

Robert Thompson, Chair

ATTEST:

Jessica Spaeth, Secretary