



ENGLISH RIVER
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English River Watershed Management Authority Meeting Minutes

May 17th, 2018, 7:30 PM
English Valleys History Center
108 N Main St, North English

- **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair (Alternate) Jack Seward at 7:35 PM.

- **Introductions**

The following were in attendance:

Board Members: Jack Seward, Vice Chair (alternate) – Washington County, Doris Park, At Large – Washington SWCD, Mike Phillips, Mark Kennett, At Large – Poweshiek SWCD, Mike Phillips, At Large – Poweshiek SWCD, Steve Berger (Ex Officio), Mick Berg (Keokuk County), Larry Wilson – Poweshiek County.

Mary Beth Stevenson (Iowa DNR Watershed Improvement), Asih Asikin-Garmager (Center for Evaluation & Assessment – University of Iowa), Kate Giannini (Iowa Flood Center), Allen Bradley (University of Iowa IIHR – Hydroscience & Engineering), Greg Geimer (Iowa Flood Center), Kristina TeBockhorst (ISU Extension), Jessica Turba (Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management), Tom Oswald (Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management), Craig Just (Iowa Flood Center), Mel Schlachter (Iowa River Friends), Josh Stai (ERWMA Technician)

- **Additions to/Approval of Agenda**

Bailey requested to add “Planning Update” handout from Ben Curtis to the agenda. M/S by Wilson & Kennett. Motion Passed.

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

- December 14th, 2017 (amended)
- February 15th, 2018

- **State of the Watershed Highlights**

- Bailey shared photos from gyrocopter tour of the watershed on May 16th with Mark Kennett.

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

Presentations were shared from the following Iowa Watershed Approach project partners:

- Craig Just/Ashlee Johannes, Iowa Flood Center – Flood Resiliency Team update.
- Allen Bradley, University of Iowa IHR – Hydroscience & Engineering – Hydrologic Simulation with ACPF Wetlands on the Headwaters of North English and Gritter Creek
- Julie Kearney, University of Iowa Center for Evaluation & Assessment – Meeting participant survey results
- Kate Giannini, Iowa Flood Center - Communications Update
- Ben Curtis, English River Watershed planner was not present, but had prepared a written subwatershed planning update to handout.

- **Organizational**

- Poweshiek & Iowa County Cost Share Applications Review and Updates – Jody Bailey, Project Coordinator (Discussion/Action)

Bailey asked the Board of Directors to review a current list of eligible applications for technical assistance and asked for the Board to consider formal approval of the applications. Site visits were up to date for the applicants considered.

M/S by Phillips & Wilson to approve current applications for technical assistance: N. Kriegel; K. Glaspie Farms; R. Bauman; G. Knipfer, J. Conner; R. Morrison Enterprises; East Iowa Bible Camp; L. McCammant; T. Van Dee Farms; J. Kriegel; D. Achenbach Farms; D. Knipfer Farms; J. Bauman; L. Goodman; JOR Brothers, Inc.; A. Grimm Real Estate. Motion passed.

- **Announcements/Events**

- 2018 Board Meetings, English Valleys History Center
August 16, 2018, 6:30 PM
November 15, 2018, 6:30 PM
- Otter Creek Watershed Bus Tour

- **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by the Vice-Chair at 8:48 PM.