



ENGLISH RIVER
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English River Watershed Management Authority Meeting Minutes

August 16th, 2018, 6:30 PM
English Valleys History Center
108 N Main St, North English

- **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Ryan Schlabaugh, at 6:35 PM.

- **Introductions**

The following were in attendance:

Board Members: Ryan Schlabaugh, Chair – City of Kalona, Jack Seward, Vice Chair (alternate) – Washington County, Mark Kennett, At Large – Poweshiek SWCD, Mike Phillips, At Large – Poweshiek SWCD, Jan Anderson, At Large – City of Grinnell, Mick Berg (Keokuk County), Larry Wilson – Poweshiek County.

Kate Giannini (Iowa Flood Center), Allen Bradley (University of Iowa IIHR – Hydroscience & Engineering), Mary Beth Stevenson (Iowa DNR Watershed Improvement), Valerie Decker (Center for Evaluation & Assessment – University of Iowa), Ann Egley, Maria Urice (Tallgrass Prairie Center), Tom Oswald (Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management), Josh Stai (ERWMA Technician), Ben Curtis (ERWMA Planner), Jody Bailey (Project Coordinator)

- **Additions to/Approval of Agenda**

M/S by Kennett/Seward to approve the agenda. Motion Passed.

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

- May 17th, 2018

A correction was made to the attendance list. M/S by Kennett/Anderson to approve May 17th meeting minutes pending correction. Motion passed.

- **State of the Watershed Highlights**

None

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

Presentations and discussion were led by the following Iowa Watershed Approach project partners:

- English River Subwatershed Planning – Ben Curtis, Planner
- IWA Cost Share Updates – Jody Bailey, Project Coordinator
 - Cost Share (90% proposal)
 - Addition of Devil’s Run
- Hydrologic Modeling – Dr. Allen Bradley, University of Iowa IIHR – Hydroscience & Engineering (Discussion)
- Survey Summary and Updates –Valerie Decker, Center for Evaluation & Assessment (Discussion)
- Poweshiek & Iowa County Cost Share Applications Review and Approval – 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.

M/S by Anderson & Seward to approve current applications for technical assistance: S. Baner, R. Amelon, Burtal Farm, Iowa County Conservation. Motion passed.

- **Organizational**

- Archeology Proposal Review Committee/Process (Discussion/Action)

Bailey requested Board members/project partners to convene a review committee for incoming archaeological proposals. Schlabaugh, Seward, Kennett, Stai and Bailey offered to serve on the committee.

Bailey asked the Board to consider a motion to allow the review committee to make the determination upon reviewing proposals and allow for the ERWMA to proceed with entering into contract with the selected firm, prior to the next board meeting. M/S by Phillips/Kennett. Motion passed.

- **Announcements/Events**

- Contractor Informational Meeting at Lake Iowa Nature Center, September 13th at 5:30 PM. (CANCELLED)
- 2018 Board Meetings
~~February 15, 2018, 6:30 PM~~
May 17, 2018, 7:30 PM ** (please note late start time) **

~~August 16, 2018, 6:30 PM~~
November 15, 2018, 6:30 PM

- Others?
- **Adjournment**

M/S by Phillips/Kennett to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM. Motion passed.

Chairperson

Date

Notes taken by J. Bailey