

**Joint Powers Board Meeting
January 20, 2016 @ 6:30pm
Carlton Civic Center**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairperson Bureau. Members present: Kitty O' Hara Bureau, Randy Willie, Derek Wolf, Ken Witte, Leann Theisen; Recording Secretary Carol Conway. Members Absent: Melissa Soukkala

Others Present: Timothy Korby from Donohue

A Motion was made by Leanne Theisen and seconded by Randy Willie to approve the August 18, 2015 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

A Motion was made by Ken Witte and seconded by Derek Wolf to approve the September 24, 2015 minutes with the following changes: Remove Derek Wolf from the attendance roster (he was listed twice) and change the meeting closed time from 5:45pm to 6:45pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Tim Korby updated the board with the progress so far in the bonding process for the water line. The bonding bill has been written, he has met with the Public Facilities Authority (PFA) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development and the project qualifies for a minimum grant of 50%, PFA also has 1% loans. There is also a possibility of a Legislative or Corps of Engineers grant.

The Technical Memorandum – Review of the Regional Water System Project – which was prepared by Donohue was presented to the Joint Powers Board (JPB), due to the poor water quality, lack of water supply makes this project warranted. In addition to the water line along Highway 210 the water treatment plant may be updated and a new well would be dug. The next step in the process is to complete a Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) Facility Plan and USDA approved Preliminary Engineering Report (PER). These reports are required to be eligible for PFA and USDA funding.

A Motion was made by Wolf and seconded by Witte to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting closed at 7:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carol Conway