

Metro Flood Diversion Authority Land Management Committee Meeting Minutes

3:00 PM – February 26, 2025

City of Fargo Commission Chambers

A meeting of the Metro Flood Diversion Authority Land Management Committee was held on February 26, 2025. The following members were present: Nathan Boerboom, Fargo Division Engineer; Matt Stamness, Cass County Engineer; Brenda Derrig, Assistant Administrator, City of Fargo; Duane Breitling, Cass County Commissioner; Bob Zimmerman, Moorhead City Engineer; Jake Gust, Cass County Joint Water Resource District and Tim Flakoll, Cass County Commissioner.

Member(s) absent: Jenny Mongeau, Clay County Commissioner; Kevin Campbell, Clay County Commissioner; Deb White, Moorhead City Council and Michelle Turnberg, Fargo City Commissioner.

1. INTRODUCTION

Mr. Breitling called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

2. APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 2024 MEETING

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Flakoll moved to approve the minutes from November 13, 2024, and Mr. Stamness seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

3. APPROVE THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Gust moved to approve the order of the agenda as presented and Ms. Derrig seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

4. ELECTION OF THE CHAIR FOR THE LAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MOTION PASSED

Ms. Derrig moved to nominate Mr. Breitling to serve as the chair of the Land Management Committee for 2025 and Mr. Zimmerman seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried.

5. ELECTION OF THE VICE CHAIR FOR THE LAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MOTION PASSED

Ms. Derrig moved to nominate Mr. Campbell to serve as the vice chair of the Land Management Committee for 2025 and Mr. Flakoll seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried.

6. EXCESS LAND RECOMMENDATION REVISION OIN 839

Mr. Dodds introduced OIN 839 and asked for approval to sell the parcel per the Excess Lands Policy. OIN 839 is located in the NW corner of the intersection of Cass County Hwy 17 and 50th Street SE and the parcel is in the UMA. The former structures on this parcel have been removed. The proposed sale price is \$10,500 and an offer of \$7,000 was received from a potential purchaser.

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Stamness moved to approve the sale of OIN 839 per the Excess Lands Policy and Mr. Flakoll seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried.

7. EXCESS LAND RECOMMENDATION REVISION OIN 1080Y

Mr. Dodds introduced OIN 1080Y and asked for approval to sell the parcel per the Excess Lands Policy. OIN 1080Y is located on the unprotected side of the SE-2B area associated with the Comprehensive Project. A flowage easement and a TCE will need to be reserved on this parcel. The proposed sale price is \$33,000.

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Flakoll moved to approve the sale of OIN 1080Y per the Excess Lands Policy and Mr. Boerboom seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried.

8. OINs 7234B, 7234C, AND 7234D EXCESS LAND RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Dodds introduced OINs 7234B, 7234C and 7234D and asked for approval to sell the parcels in the amount of \$192,777, resulting in a variance to the Excess Lands Policy. Approval would authorize the MFDA to proceed with the sale of OINs 7234B, 7234C, and 7234D to the City of Horace before offering the parcels to the adjacent landowners.

MOTION FAILED

Mr. Gust moved to table the sale of OINs 7234B, 7234C and 7234D to the City of Horace until this pending sale arrangement can be discussed with the CCJWRD and surrounding landowners. Due to a lack of a second, the motion failed.

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Flakoll moved to leave the pending sale on the table and revisit it at the March meeting, to allow the CCJWRD time to convene and determine the next steps. Mr. Gust seconded the motion and on a roll call vote, the motion carried.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to discuss.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be March 26, 2025.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:33 PM.