Subcommittee Meeting
May 9, 2013 – 10:30 AM – Board Room
Natural Resource Center, 8901 S 154th Street, Omaha, NE

Attendants:
The following were in attendance: John Kottmann (La Vista), Chris Solberg (La Vista), Bruce Fountain (Sarpy County), Pat Dowse (Sarpy County) Nina Cudahy (Omaha), Jim Kee (Omaha), Kris Faris (Gretna), Mark Stursma (Papillion), Jeff Thompson (Papillion), Marty Grate (Omaha), Amanda Grint (P-MRNRD), Lori Laster (P-MRNRD) and Marlin Petermann (P-MRNRD)

Purpose
A meeting of the Partnership Subcommittee was held on the above date in order to discuss topics stated in the attached agenda.

1. Introductions
- An agenda, sign-up sheet, and handouts were distributed.

2. Discussion on Proposed Contract to Update Implementation Plan
- Marlin Petermann reviewed a proposed contract from HDR to update the Partnership Implementation Plan. He stated that the Partnership Interlocal Agreement must be renewed in 2014. As part of the agreement renewal, an updated Implementation Plan is required to determine the priorities for the next agreement period.
- The current Implementation Plan was developed as part of the Watershed Management Plan that was adopted by the Partnership communities in 2009. The Implementation Plan called for the construction of the highest priority structural elements of the Watershed Management Plan, including flood control reservoirs WP-5 and Dam Site 15A with associated water quality basins and water quality basins for Lake Zorinsky and Cunningham Lake. Currently, WP-5 is under construction. Zorinsky Basin 1 and Dam Site 15A are planned to begin construction within the next year. Due to changes in development pressure, Cunningham Basin 6 has been removed from the Implementation Plan.
- HDR Engineering provided professional engineering services for the development of the Watershed Management Plan and the current Implementation Plan. The Implementation Plan updated will be completed through an amendment to the original HDR contract.
The total contract amount proposed by HDR is $99,600. The contract will cover a financial analysis of projected revenues and project costs, as well as an update to the land use projections in the Watershed Management Plan. HDR will also provide assistance with meetings during the update process.

3. Review of Partnership Fund

Lori Laster reviewed the current Partnership Fund. The estimated amount for the contract to update the Implementation Plan was $50,000. However, after accounting for all expenditures over the five-year Interlocal Agreement, the Partnership Fund will have a balance of approximately $100,000. This will leave about $50,000 in the Partnership Fund to begin the next five-year period.

4. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held May 23, 2013 at 10am at the NRC building.

5. Adjourn

Please contact Lori Laster at 444-6222 regarding any questions or comments concerning these meeting minutes.
Subcommittee Meeting
October 30, 2013 – 10:30 AM – Board Room
Natural Resource Center, 8901 S 154th Street, Omaha, NE

Attendants:

The following were in attendance: John Kottmann (La Vista), Chris Solberg (La Vista), Bruce Fountain (Sarpy County), Pat Dowse (Sarpy County) Nina Cudahy (Omaha), Jim Kee (Omaha), Chris Shewchuk (Bellevue), Mark Stursma (Papillion), Marty Grate (Omaha), Jerry Chancellor (Ralston), Jeremy Cook (HDR), Lyle Christensen (DHR), Laurie Carrette-Zook (HDR), Amanda Grint (P-MRNRD), Lori Laster (P-MRNRD) and Marlin Petermann (P-MRNRD)

Purpose

A meeting of the Partnership Subcommittee was held on the above date in order to discuss topics stated in the attached agenda.

1. Introductions

➢ An agenda, sign-up sheet, and handouts were distributed.

2. Implementation Plan Update Findings

➢ Jeremy Cook with HDR reviewed the financial modeling completed as part of HDR’s contract for the Implementation Plan update. Several funding scenarios were analyzed varying the amount of Watershed Fees collected and input from the NRD.

➢ The modeling shows that it is very difficult to complete all structural components of the Watershed Management Plan. The only way to fund all projects would be to raise Watershed Fees to cover approximately 50% of project costs or for the NRD to raise its mill levy to the maximum amount and dedicate all additional funding to the structural projects. It is unlikely that either of these scenarios would be feasible.

➢ The modeling completed used a rate of inflation of 2.5% over time to calculate income from Watershed Fees. This was done in the Watershed Management Plan, however was not taken into account in the first implementation period.

➢ The modeling did show that it would be possible to construct two of the smaller structures, WP-6 and WP-7, in the next implementation plan, at current funding levels.

➢ A stakeholder meeting will be scheduled to present the funding analysis to the development community (builders, developers, engineers, etc.)
3. Next Meeting Date

➢ The next meeting will be held November 21, 2013 at 10am at the NRC building.

5. Adjourn

Please contact Lori Laster at 444-6222 regarding any questions or comments concerning these meeting minutes.