

Newfolden / Middle River Subwatershed FDR Project Team Meeting Notes
5:30 PM Monday, April 8th, 2019
Newfolden Community Center
Newfolden, Minnesota

Attendees:

Landowners: Mark Carlson, David Myhrer, Norman & Randy L. Lindemoen, Gerald & Barry Nelson, Glen Meekma, Rodney & Jerad Liedberg, Bruce Elseth, David Lind
City of Newfolden: Administrator Tammy Hansen, Councilwoman Melanie Sorenson, Mayor Lori Warne
Marshall County Commissioner: Sharon Bring
MN DNR: Ruth Anne Franke
BWSR: Matt Fisher
USACOE: Craig Jarnot
MSTRWD: David Bakke, Brad Blawat, Joel Praska, Bill Petersen

The meeting started with introductions.

It was announced that the Marshall County Commissioners passed a motion on March 20, 2018 to continue with the Floodplain Mitigation Project.

It was stated that on May 6, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., the District will have a Public Hearing to deliberate the Preliminary Engineer's Report on Floodplain Mitigation Project. The Hearing will be in the Bremer Bank basement meeting room in Warren.

Nate began the meeting by explaining the ground rules and he started the PowerPoint presentation. He explained the Purpose and Need process which is a required process the agencies have.

Ruth Anne Franke voiced her approval of the Project.

Sharon Bring stated that MNDOT is going to repair the Middle River bridge on Hwy 59 in 2020. (The District did give a permit to MNDOT to replace the existing culverts with ones with more capacity.) Sharon added she believes there isn't flooding in the area, but there is a fear factor.

David Myhrer asked what the downstream effect of CP Rail is and 1" to 2" all the way to Argyle and can't pass it downstream.

An unidentified man asked what the culvert hydrology is downstream.

Craig said it would be a benefit to start the permitting process earlier.

Matt Fischer asked if the culvert under Hwy #59 is big enough. He said there is \$100,000 available for wetlands. He added that if stabilization is needed, then it's eligible for Clean Water Funding.

Tammy Hansen said that a successful project will have a large impact for the future of the City, including continued growth. She said something about a public comment period.

Joel Praska