

MANDAN REMEDIATION TRUST (MRT)
July 12, 2011

Meeting: 215th Official Meeting
Date: July 12, 2011
Location: Mandan City Hall, 205 2nd Ave. NW
Time: 10:00 A.M.

The MRT meeting was called to order by Jim Neubauer. Fritz Schwindt was present and Dave Glatt was absent. Also attending was Marilyn Mertz, Department of Health; Scott Radig was absent.

Minutes. June 7, 2011 minutes were reviewed. Revisions were made.

Motion. Schwindt moved to approve June 7, 2011 minutes, as amended; second by Neubauer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Pay Request. City of Mandan wastewater charges for \$1,827.11 for the period ending June 7, 2011.

Motion. Schwindt moved to approve payment of \$1,827.11 to the city of Mandan for wastewater charges. Second by Neubauer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Pay Request. LBG invoice in the amount of \$17,549.78 dated June 17, 2011. Radig should have reviewed. LBG has been helping the LEC operate their system for a couple of hours. Neubauer mentioned he had a question for Tim Kenyon. It is their expense now. We have a couple of hours into it, but not much. The county will have to be picking up the cost for their time.

Motion. Schwindt moved to pay LBG \$17,549.78 from their invoice dated June 17, 2011. Second by Neubauer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Bank Statement. MRT received the Bank of North Dakota statement as of July 4, 2011. The balance at the end of June had \$8,112,385.57. Money is going out and not a lot of money coming in as interest. We do have \$7 million in a CD. This is simply to acknowledge that we have that.

Recovery Totals. May 24, 2011 through June 24, 2011 they had collected more groundwater in the system than anything else so they suspended operation of the MPE system.

Utility Billing. City of Mandan's second quarter utility billing items for the Recovery buildings. That total is \$16,889.81. Radig will review.

Audit Agreements. Neubauer has the audit agreements with Brady Martz to do both the Supplemental Environmental Projects Trust and also the MRT annual audits.

Motion. Schwindt moved to authorize Brady Martz to move ahead with the audit work on the MRT funds; second by Neubauer. All ayes. Motion passed.

Neubauer will get the signed authorization to Brady Martz. Bank statements will be scanned and forwarded to them. The MRT minutes are available on the city of Mandan's website.

Neubauer will talk to Tim Helbling to schedule a special meeting of the SEP Trust.

Screen Replacement. Neubauer indicated Dakota Fence replaced the screens. They will return to tighten the screens up. Schwindt was there when they put them up. Dakota Fence noted that the new screens are wider than the old ones so they couldn't get them as tight. Schwindt called Brian from Dakota Fence and Brian indicated they will take a look at it (yesterday, July 11, 2011). Brian called and said they would return on Thursday to see if they can tighten them up. He says it looks like the screens may be too large so we may have to take them in and have a different seam put on them just to shorten it up some. He said I think the job of installing was not the best it could be either. They have acknowledged there are some issues there and will take a look at it on Thursday. No invoice has been received from them. The old screens are still in the yard lying inside the fence. Neubauer will have the city guys pick them up. We will find a use for them.

Krikava Update. Schwindt talked to Rusty Krikava before the Fourth of July. He happened to be there so he talked to him for a while. Krikava told Schwindt they really weren't operating the MPE because of the high groundwater. He said we are even having some difficulty running the SVE because of the amount of screened interval above the water table is getting very short. They only have one compressor running on the whole Zone 2 area and he said even that is too much. It is down to about a foot and a half of space between the top of the screen and top of the water so when you turn the SVE on the vacuum draws the water level up a little bit more in the well so you have less than that. He said it took me a while to figure that out and what was going on. The SVE is operating on a much reduced capacity just because of that.

Schwindt asked Krikava whether there have been some discussions about scaling the RTO back. He said I can go in and adjust the temperature, but there are probably some other things that need to be adjusted as well. Apparently, they have been talking internally about how to get all that stuff done. He didn't know exactly where things were at. It sounded like somebody back at the central office was looking into those details and when the RTO company would be coming up. In the past, they would come up every two years to do maintenance but he says they came up last fall and if we have them come up again this fall to check the thermocouple it would be helpful during the winter.

Neubauer asked, Was there any noticeable recharge of product in the lines that they have picked up? Schwindt recalls he mentioned that monitoring well in front of the bookstore. He says there has been an accumulation there and when things settle down here he will go in and suck that well out. That was the only one he mentioned specifically. With the reduced operation, Krikava said, it has given us a chance to catch up on the maintenance activities that we put off because of other pressing matters. It has been kind of a blessing to have the slow down right now.

LEC. Schwindt checked on the LEC a week and a half ago and again this morning. A week and a half ago it was running between 400 to 500 gallons each day that was being collected by the system. This morning it was about 1,000 gallons and over the weekend (they didn't write it down) on Sunday it was about 2,000 gallons. There is a smell to it. You can detect an odor.

Replacement Materials. They did get two new drums of absorbent material in to replace the ones whenever that needs to occur. Schwindt thought to buy and install them the price was about \$850 for that system. The drums themselves should be less. Don't know if there is a disposal fee when replacing. Schwindt did not detect any odor when he walked downstairs. When smelling the water directly – we drained some out of the system into a bucket. You could certainly smell some hydrocarbons.

Next Meeting. August 2, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion to Adjourn. Schwindt moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 a.m.; second by Neubauer. All ayes. Motion carried.