Minutes of Meeting Special Meeting with Sentor Hoeven on Federal Funding awarded to Maple Diversion Phase of MREFPP Wednesday, January 26, 2022

The meeting was convened at approximately 1:00 PM on January 26, 2022, at Council Chambers of Minot City Hall. Souris River Joint Board members present for this meeting were David Ashley (chairman), Clif Issendorf, Tom Klein, and Dan Steinberger. General conversation occurred with members of the US Army Corps of Engineers, Colonel Karl Jansen and Kevin Wilson, as remaining meeting attendees awaited the arrival of Senator Hoeven.

Senator Hoeven arrived at approximately 1:10 PM and the bus boarded in front of Minot City Hall for the purpose of touring the Maple Diversion site with Senator Hoeven. Senator Hoeven, members of the Souris River Joint Board, members of the US Army Corps of Engineers, members of the Minot City Council and the media participated in the tour of the Maple Diversion area. Souris River Joint Board members present on the bus tour were David Ashley and Dan Steinberger.

The bus returned to Minot City Hall at approximately 1:25 PM, and the meeting was convened in Council Chambers. Souris River Joint Board members present for the meeting were David Ashley, Clif Issendorf, Tom Klein, and Dan Steinberger. Conversation started regarding the status of the project and Minot Milestone 1. Ryan Ackerman indicated the design of Phase MI-4 will be complete by the end of 2022, and construction is expected to begin in the summer of 2023. All funding is secured for Phase MI-4, except for the State share of the federal project, which is estimated to be \$17 million. It is anticipated this funding will be secured during the 2023 legislative session. Construction of Phase MI-4 is expected to take four years to complete.

A media conference followed with participation from Senator Hoeven, Souris River Joint Board Chairman Dave Ashley, Minot Mayor Shaun Sipma, Minot City Alderman Mark Jantzer, and Colonel Karl Jansen from the US Army Corps of Engineers.

No motions were made by the Souris River Joint Board members.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:30 PM.

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