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WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM(S) REQ

Date: February 18, 2016

Weekly Agenda Date: February 23, 2016

DEPARTMENT HEAD / CITIZEN: Mark J. Nahra P.E. Secondary Roads Dept Head

SUBJECT: **Consideration of additional cost for survey work on the Bennett – McDonald – Smithland Drainage District.**

**ACTION REQUIRED:**

Approve Ordinance

Approve Resolution

Approve Motion

Give Direction

Other: Informational

Attachments

**Consideration X**

**WORDING FOR AGENDA ITEM:** Consideration of approval of additional cost for survey work on the Bennett-McDonald-Smithland drainage district.

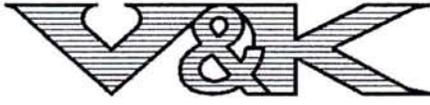
**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** The Board of Supervisors, serving as drainage district trustees, is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the levees protecting land constituting the Bennett-McDonald-Smithland Drainage District in and around the city of Smithland. The district levees and facilities are inspected annually by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and they file a report with the county in regard to the condition of the district facilities and required maintenance of said facilities. One deficiency cited in the last two inspections of the levees noted encroachment on the levee easement by adjacent farming operations. Veenstra and Kimm Engineers of Sergeant Bluff were hired to do the survey work. The work has taken longer than anticipated due to the lack of records of easement acquisition when the Corps of Engineers constructed the project in 1963 and 1964. The surveyor has presented his results to date and has four easements for which no documentation can be found. Additional work is necessary to finish the task.

**BACKGROUND:** The board of supervisors is responsible as trustees for the Bennett McDonald Smithland flood protection levy. Some deficiencies to the levee system have been identified and to repair these areas, the county must have the boundaries of the flood protection district resurveyed to assure we only work on land managed by the trustees.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Project work will be paid by drainage district assessment.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend acceptance of quotation for additional surveying of property lines on behalf of the drainage district.

**ACTION REQUIRED/PROPOSED MOTION:** Motion to accept the extra not to exceed quote from V & K, Inc. for Bennett-McDonald-Smithland Drainage District property line re-establishment for \$3,400.



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February 17, 2016

Mark Nahra  
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Bennet/McDonald/Smithland DD

Mr. Nahra:

Due to the lack of filed easement documents and the non-response from the ACOE for the Bennet/McDonald/Smithland DD I am requesting additional compensation in accordance with item 2. b. in the contract signed November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Additional information from the ACOE to provide the original documents or provide written intent will be necessary to complete the project. I am estimating an additional fee of \$3,400 to complete the project. This will be charged at an hourly basis up to but not above this agreed amount.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,  
VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Craig Beedle'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Craig Beedle L.S.

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