

MINUTES
LOWER REPUBLICAN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
Lower Republican NRD Meeting Room, 30 North John Street, Alma, NE
September 9th, 2010 following 7:00 p.m. Budget Hearing,
Immediately followed by the Regular Monthly Board Meeting.

FY2011 Budget Hearing

The Lower Republican NRD FY2011 Budget Hearing was called to order by Chairperson Nelson Trambly at 7:00 p.m.

Michael Clements stated that a notice of this hearing was published in all the newspapers in the District.

Michael Clements presented the highlights of the LRNRD FY2011 budget. A copy is in the minute book.

Directors absent: Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Roger Nelson.

Chairperson Nelson Trambly adjourned the hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

A notice of the meeting was announced over radio station KRVN and published in the newspapers within the District.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL MAILED OUT PRIOR TO MEETING:

1. Agenda, Monthly Board Meeting, 9/10
2. LRNRD Board Meeting & Index of Decisions, 8/10
3. Treasurer's Report, 8/10
4. Budget Comparison, 8/10
5. Managers Report, 9/10
6. Assistant Managers Report, 9/10
7. Rural Water Treasurer Report, 8/10
8. LRNRD FY2011 Budget

MATERIALS HANDED OUT AT THE MEETING:

1. Agenda, Monthly Board Meeting, 9/10
2. Request for Change in Location of Property - Fritson
3. LRNRD NSWCP Cost Share Report

Chairperson Nelson Trambly called the regular monthly meeting of the Lower Republican NRD Board of Directors to order at 7:12 p.m.

Nelson Trambly informed the audience of the Open Meetings Law posters posted in the meeting room.

Directors present: Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf.

Absent: Roger Nelson.

Others present: Pat Underwood, Grant Consultant, Ray Winz, Holdrege, Jerry Kovarik, NRCS, Rich Holloway, TBNRD, Brad Edgerton, FCID. Staff present: Mike Clements, Bryan Lubeck, and Shirlee Poyser.

Motion #1 by Bill Bose seconded by Matt Harrison to approve the board minutes from the August meeting. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf. Absent 1 Roger Nelson.

Motion #2 by Matt Harrison seconded by Bill Bose to accept the August treasurer's report as distributed. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews. Absent 1 Roger Nelson. Mike Clements received a letter from the Superior FFA Envirothon team thanking the LRNRD for the generous cash donation supporting them at the National Envirothon in California. The LRNRD also received the Governor's Excellence in Wellness Award.

Bryan Lubeck added that the LRNRD has spent all of the state money for Well Water Decommissioning; the rest will be funded by the LRNRD. Bryan also said that the technicians should be done with Fall Static Water Level Measurements within the next week. There were several questions on the measurements.

Jerry Kovarik, NRCS gave the NRCS report. There was lengthy conversation on the AWEPP program. A copy of this report is in the minute book.

There were no comments from the public.

Mike Clements informed the board that the Platte Institute is having the 2010 Water Management Summit in Gothenburg on September 23rd.

Mike Clements presented Tom Fritson's Change in Location of Certified Acres on Contiguous Property.

Motion #3 by Bill Bose seconded by Marlin Murdoch to approve Tom Fritson's Change in Location of Certified Acres on Contiguous Property. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels. Absent 1 Roger Nelson.

Pat Underwood provided an update on grant-seeking activities under RD, ET, SARE, USFWS, Natural Legacies, Wetlands Conservation, and Economic Development programs, along with preliminary information on possible activities to add Nebraska to the list of states eligible for NRCS AMA grants. She is also researching the viability of managed underground storage of recoverable water for possible future grant-subsidized projects.

Motion #4 by Bill Bose seconded by Jim Moore to approve the Rural Water Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose. Absent 1 Roger Nelson.

There was no NARD report. The NARD Annual Conference is September 26-28th.

There was no Executive Committee report.

There was no RC&D report.

There were no time extensions.

Motion #5 Marlin Murdoch seconded by Jim Moore to move that the Board go into Executive Session at 8:07 p.m. to discuss possible litigation on the Republican River Settlement Agreement. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison. Absent 1 Roger Nelson.

Motion #6 by Bill Bose seconded by Jim Moore to move that the board come out of Executive Session at 9:17 p.m. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit. Absent 1 Roger Nelson.

Mike Clements recommended to the board that the NRD withdrawal the \$5 occupational tax from the proposed budget. The NRD will need to schedule a public hearing to amend our existing IMP to add the proper language that would refer to the statutes that would give us the authority to collect the \$5 occupational tax.

Motion #7 Jim Moore seconded by Brad Wulf to approve the FY 2011 Budget excluding the \$5 occupational tax. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze. Absent 1 Roger Nelson.

Motion #8 by Dave Bartels seconded by Matt Harrison to set October 14th, 2010 at 7 p.m. as the hearing date to amend the existing LRNRD IMP. This will add the proper language needed to refer to statutes to give the LRNRD the authority to collect the \$5 occupational tax. Motion carried. Roll Call. Ayes 10 Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore. Absent 1 Roger Nelson.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be October 14th, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary

Date