

MINUTES
LOWER REPUBLICAN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
Lower Republican NRD Meeting Room, 30 North John Street, Alma, NE
February 12th, 2009
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, 2/12/09
2. LRNRD Board Meeting Minutes and Index of Decisions, 1/8/09
3. Treasurer's Report, 1/31/09
4. Budget Comparison, 1/31/09
5. Managers Report, 2/5/09
6. Assistant Managers Report, 2/2/09
7. Republican River Basin Coalition Report, 2/09
8. Interrelated Water Management Plan Program Funds Application
9. Change in Location on Contiguous Property, 2/09
 - a. Wesley Fuerst Trust
 - b. Duane Vorderstrasse
 - c. Mike Lowe
 - d. Nathan Dunse
 - e. William R. Sandman
 - f. Lucille A. Kauk
10. Rule 7-2 Allocation
11. Rural Water Treasurer Report, 1/31/09
12. DEQ Recommendations for LRNRD Groundwater Mgt Area, 2/09
13. NARD 2009 Legislative Session, CS & Bill Summary, 1/09
14. Application for Permit to Construct a Well in the LRNRD, Don Mazour, 1/09
15. WILD NE Contract revision, Phil Gleason, 2/09
16. LRNRD NSWCP Cost Share Report, 2/09

MATERIALS HANDED OUT AT THE MEETING:

1. NRCS Report, 2/09
2. Surface Water Reports
3. LRNRD Groundwater Management Plan
4. Map of Recommendations for Additional Sampling & spreadsheet
5. 2008 Water Usage

Chairperson Nelson Trambly called the regular monthly meeting of the Lower Republican NRD Board of Directors to order at 2:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

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

Others present: Ginger Jensen, Kearney Hub, Nick Simonson, Harlan Co. NRCS, Traci Witthuhn, Republican River Basin Coordinator, Miriam Cope, UNI, David Holt, Michigan State, Joan Perkins, Furnas Co. NRCS, Michelle Kahrs, Franklin Co. NRCS, Lynetta Snelling, Webster Co. NRCS, Melissa Schluntz, Harlan Co. NRCS, Roger Stockton, SW RC&D, Brad Edgerton, Frenchman

Cambridge Irrigation District, Cambridge . Staff present: Mike Clements, Bryan Lubeck, Shirlee Poyser, Kristi Coe.

Motion #1 by Matt Harrison seconded by Brad Wulf to accept the board minutes and variance hearing minutes as presented from the January board meeting. Motion carried.

Roll Call – 8 Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Motion #2 by Brad Wulf seconded by Matt Harrison to accept the January treasurer's report as distributed. Motion carried.

Roll Call – 8 Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Mike Clements had no further additions to his report. Mike let the board know that the field office secretaries were attending the board meeting and had them introduce themselves.

Bryan Lubeck had no further additions to his report.

Nick Simonson gave the NRCS report. A copy of this report is in the minute book.

Traci Witthuhn, Republican River Basin Coordinator, gave the Coalition report. A copy of this report is in the minute book.

Miriam Cope, University of Illinois and Dave Holdt, Michigan State are graduate research students working on the National Science Foundation project to look at water management in the Republican River Basin. The project is to look at a combination of influences in economic, social and hydrologic drivers to water use. The professors picked the basin because there is scientific data available to use. They want to combine their information and ours to come up with an assessment on the influence of water use in the basin.

Kristi Coe presented the Change in Location of Certified Acres on Contiguous Property.

Motion #3 by Brad Wulf seconded by Matt Harrison to approve John Fuerst, Duane Vorderstrasse, Mike Lowe, Nate Dunse, William Sandman and Lucille Kauk's Change in Location of Certified Acres on Contiguous Property. Motion Carried.

Roll Call – 8 Matt Harrison, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels,. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Kristi Coe discussed how to figure co-mingled water against co-mingled acres that the producers use and not to figure that against the "total certified co-mingled acres".

Motion #4 by Jim Moore seconded by Matt Harrison to approve that co-mingled water be figured against co-mingled acres that the producer provides us and not to be figured against the total certified co-mingled acres. Motion carried.

Roll Call – 7 Matt Harrison, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, , Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels. Nays 1 - Nelson Trambly. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Roger Stockton, Southwest RC&D gave a powerpoint presentation on the Western Republican River Weed Management.

Mike Clements talked to the board about providing meter maintenance for one township in the Tri-Basin.

Motion #5 by Jim Moore seconded by Dave Bartels to accept the Rural Water treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Roll Call – 8 Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Bryan Lubeck discussed with the board DEQ's Recommendations for the LRNRD Groundwater Management Area. A copy of this report is in the minute book.

Motion #6 by Marlin Murdoch seconded by Matt Harrison to go into Executive Session at 4:14 p.m. to discuss possible Litigation on the Republican River Settlement Agreement and Possible Litigation for Rules Violations. Motion carried. Call – 8 Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Motion #7 Jim Moore seconded by Matt Harrison to come out of executive session at 5:20 p.m. and declare that no actions of the board, official or unofficial, were taken during said Closed Session. Motion carried. Call – 8 Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison, Brian Holtze. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Motion #8 by Jim Moore seconded by Matt Harrison to approve the revised version of Phil Gleason's Wild NE Contract. Motion carried. Call – 8 Marlin Murdoch, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Motion #9 by Marlin Murdoch seconded by Clark Andrews to approve the Cost Share Time Extensions as presented. Motion carried. Call – 8 Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison, Brian Holtze, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch. Absent - 3 Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

FR481	Donald & Lois Quinn	May 1, 2009
FR483	Jelken Farms, Inc.	May 1, 2009
FR482	Raymond H. Graf	May 1, 2009
FR484	G&C Land & Cattle	May 1, 2009
FU706	Tom Maline	May 4, 2009
FU703	Ballou & Sons, Inc.	May 4, 2009
W455	Douglas Knehans	May 4, 2009
W451	Rodney Imler	April 18, 2009
H580	Duane Vorderstrasse	May 27, 2009

There was no NARD report.

There was no Executive Committee Report.

There was no Groundwater Management Area Report.

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Applications for a Permit to Construct a Well were reviewed.

There was no RC&D or SW NE RC&D report.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be March 12th, at 2 p.m.

Chairperson Nelson Trambly adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Secretary

Date