

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**  
**LOWER REPUBLICAN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT**  
LOWER REPUBLICAN NRD MEETING ROOM, 30 NORTH JOHN STREET, ALMA, NE  
FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2013

**Board of Directors Meeting**

A notice of the meeting was published in the local newspapers within the District.

**INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL E-MAILED OUT PRIOR TO MEETING:**

1. Agenda, 2/13

**MATERIALS HANDED OUT AT THE MEETING:**

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2. Water Loan Agreement with Middle Republican NRD
3. 2013 Offset Plans
4. Allocation Cap for 2013 Irrigation Season

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

Directors present: Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Toby tenBensel, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf.

Absent: Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

Others present: Ray D. Winz, Holdrege, Chelsea Erickson, Stockton, KS. Staff present: Mike Clements, Bryan Lubeck, and Shirlee Poyser.

Mike Clements presented the board with the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lower Republican NRD and the Middle Republican NRD. A copy of this MOA is in the minute book.

**Motion #1 by Brad Wulf seconded by Jim Moore to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lower Republican NRD and the Middle Republican NRD. Motion carried.** Ayes 7 – Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Matt Harrison, Jim Moore, Toby tenBensel, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf. Nays 0. Absent 4 – Bill Bose, Terry Hoit, Marlin Murdoch, Roger Nelson.

Bill Bose entered at 2:10 p.m.

Mike Clements presented the board with a letter that was written to DNR describing how the LRNRD would offset the 2012/2013 shortfall for the District.

**Motion #2 by Clark Andrews seconded by Matt Harrison to approve the letter written to the Department of Natural Resources describing how 2012/2013 shortfall will be offset. Motion carried.** Ayes 7 – Dave Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Jim Moore, Toby tenBensel, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews. Nays 0 Absent 4 – Terry Hoit, Marlin Murdoch, Roger Nelson.

Marlin Murdoch entered at 2:16 p.m.

Mike Clements presented a spreadsheet with the estimated 2013-2014 shortfall and the 2012 water use. A copy of this spreadsheet is in the minute book.

**Motion #3 by Clark Andrews seconded by Bill Bose to approve continuing with the current allocation (45 inches for 5 year) with no cap on wells for the 2013 irrigation season. Motion failed.** Ayes 4 – Bill Bose, Marlin Murdoch, Toby tenBensel, Clark Andrews. Nays 5 – Matt Harrison, Jim Moore, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Dave Bartels. Absent 2 – Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

**Motion #4 by Dave Bartels seconded by Toby tenBensel to move that the Board go into Executive session at 3:21 p.m. to discuss the pending Frenchman Cambridge Irrigation District and Bostwick Irrigation District Litigation. Motion**

**carried. Chairman admonished board that this is the only subject that can be discussed in closed session.** Ayes 9 – Matt Harrison, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Toby tenBensel, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose. Absent 2 – Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

**Motion #5 by Bill Bose seconded by Marlin Murdoch move that the Board come out of Executive Session at 4:13 p.m. and declare that no actions of the board, official or unofficial, were taken during said Closed Session. Motion carried.** Ayes 9 – Matt Harrison, Jim Moore, Marlin Murdoch, Toby tenBensel, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf, Clark Andrews, Dave Bartels, Bill Bose. Absent 2 – Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

**Motion #6 by Brad Wulf seconded by Dave Bartels to approve a 10½ inches allocation cap on irrigation wells for the 2013 irrigation season and to have the Executive Committee develop the guidelines to be presented at the March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Public Hearing. Motion carried.** Ayes 6 – Jim Moore, Toby tenBensel, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf. Nays 3 Marlin Murdoch, Clark Andrews, Bill Bose. Absent 2 – Terry Hoit, Roger Nelson.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

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Secretary

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Date