

Upper Republican NATURAL RESOURCE DISTRICT

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Board of Directors Regular Meeting August 4, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. 511 East 5th Street, Imperial, NE

Agendas were sent to all Board Members and all others requesting agendas. Agendas were posted in the NRD Office in Imperial, the NRCS Offices in Grant and Imperial, and the FSA Office in Benkelman. The meeting was announced over KADL-Imperial, KRVN-Lexington and KOGA-Ogallala and published in area newspapers.

Board Members Present: Kerry Bernhardt, Brett Bullock, Tom Gaschler, Loren Jessen, Dean

Large, Terry Martin, Tom Schroder, Tom Terryberry and Jeff Wallin.

Board Members Absent: Jason Kunkel. **NRD Staff:** Jasper Fanning and Dirk Dinnel.

NRD Legal Counsel: Joel Burke. **Others present:** Andy Keep (NRCS).

Information mailed to Directors:

Agenda Report of District applications, contracts, agreement

Minutes of July 7 Regular Board meeting

Information distributed at Board meeting:

Agenda NRCS report

Minutes of July 7, 2015 Report of District applications, contracts, agreement

Financial reports SCORE Camp report

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm.

Chairman Martin announced that the Open Meetings Act is posted if anyone would like to review them.

Jason Kunkel is excused from tonight's meeting.

MINUTES:

• <u>Terryberry moved to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2015 Regular Board meeting as</u> presented. Seconded by Large.

Roll call vote: 7-yes, 1-abstain, 2-absent. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Manager presented the Financial Reports to the Board.

• <u>Large moved to pay the Accounts Payable and to approve the Treasurer's report.</u> Seconded by Gaschler.

Roll call vote: 7-yes, 1-abstain, 2-absent. Motion carried.

Jeff Wallin arrived at 7:35 p.m.

• Gaschler moved to set the Budget and Mill Levy hearing in conjunction with the September 1, 2015 Regular Board meeting. Seconded by Terryberry.

Roll call vote: 8-yes, 1-abstain, 1-absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NRCS REPORT:

Andy reviewed the Ogallala Aquifer Initiative Focus Area Proposal for Upper Republican NRD and discussed this with the Board.

• Terryberry moved to approve the submittal of the URNRD Ogallala Aquifer Initiative Focus Area Proposal. Seconded by Wallin.

Roll call vote: 8-yes, 1-abstain, 1-absent. Motion carried.

• Terryberry moved to approve the NRCS Report of planning activity dated August 3, 2015 to include the Conservation Plans in Chase, Dundy and Perkins County as signed. Seconded by Gaschler.

Roll call vote: 8-yes, 1-abstain, 1-absent. Motion carried.

GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT/RULES AND REGULATIONS: None.

VARIANCE COMMITTEE:

Dirk reported that he had discussed the variance request with George Seward and he withdrew his variance request.

REPORT OF DISTRICT APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS:

• Terryberry moved to approve the Report of District Applications, contracts and agreement to include the NSWCP applications. Seconded by Gaschler.

Roll call vote: 8-yes, 1-abstain, 1-absent.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT: None.

REPUBLICAN RIVER BASIN MEETING/COMPACT REPORT:

Jasper reported that the three States had another meeting and will put together a one year temporary agreement for next year and will continue working on the long term agreement.

AUGMENTATION PROJECTS: None.

ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT: No report. Marla Smith sent the Board information from SCORE Camp this summer for their information.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION REPORT: None

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: None.

Chairman Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Tom Terryberry Secretary/Treasurer