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Board of Directors Regular Meeting October 2, 2018 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, Loren Jessen, Jason Kunkel, Dean Large, Terry Martin, Tom Terryberry and Tom Schroder.

Board Members Absent: Brett Bullock and Jeff Wallin

NRD Staff: Jasper Fanning, Nate Jenkins, Bruce Curtis, Julia Strand and Deb Hayes.

NRD Legal Counsel: Joel Burke.

Others present: Andy Keep and Duane Dinnel.

Information mailed to Directors:

Agenda

Minutes of September 11th Regular Board Meeting

Information distributed at Board meeting:

Agenda

NRCS report

Minutes of September 11th Regular Board meeting

GIS Workshop

Financial reports

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

Brett Bullock and Jeff Wallin are excused from tonight's meeting.

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

INTRODUCTIONS:

Guests, Board members and NRD staff were introduced.

MINUTES:

- Large moved to approve the September 11, 2018 Regular Board meeting minutes as mailed. Seconded by Bernhardt

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

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Manager presented the Financial Reports to the Board.

- Terryberry moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report and pay the Accounts Payable. Seconded by Bernhardt.

Roll call vote: 6-yes, 1-abstain, 2-absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments.

NRCS REPORT:

Andy Keep gave the NRCS report to the Board. Andy reported on the accomplishments for FY 2018.

- Terryberry moved to approve the NRCS report dated September 4, 2018 to include the Conservation Plans as signed for Chase, Dundy and Perkins County. Seconded by Bernhardt.

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

UPPER REPUBLICAN NRD RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Jasper discussed the groundwater quality phase requirement hearing date with the Board. The Board was going to set the hearing date for tonight but there was one well with high nitrates, so Bruce is having a couple other wells checked in that area and would like to see how these results are. Then Bruce can remap the 2018 results. Then possibly the hearing can be set in December or January.

Jasper reviewed the GIS Workshop project. They have been working on the app that will allow the technicians to enter information in the field. The next step is to allow producers to log on and get their usage reports. They are also working on the mail merge for reports.

- Terryberry moved to approve the GIS Workshop Statement of Work for \$14,500. Seconded by Large.

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

VARIANCE COMMITTEE: No report.

REPORT OF DISTRICT APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS: None

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT:

Joel reported that they are working on the resolution related to in-lieu of tax payments to Dundy County and discussed two tracts that are partially exempt and partially taxable. The County Board is supposed to set what portion of that it taxable and what isn’t, and that information hasn’t been given out yet.

REPUBLICAN RIVER BASIN MEETING/COMPACT REPORT:

Jasper gave a report on the Republican River Compact. Kansas will not be requesting additional water supply from now until spring. They are waiting to see what the water forecast says at the end of the year.

AUGMENTATION PROJECTS:

Bruce has been working with consultants on the drop structure bid to control erosion on the property. Bruce has been working with a contractor on this project and his bid was \$113,876.00. There are issues with steel prices as they keep rising. He is also working on purchasing equipment for sheet piling.

- Bernhardt moved to have Donn Gengenbach approve the contract for \$113,876.00 to include the contingencies. Seconded by Large.

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

ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT:

Nate reported on the telemetry project and that includes 300 radio modules. These will be coming in different shipments this fall. The NRD received another grant on part of them so this will cover about 700 of them.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION REPORT: No report.

LEGISLATION: No report.

STATE ASSOCIATION:

The NARD Annual Conference was held the last part of September. There were no resolutions presented.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The Board reviewed the November Board meeting as there are conflicts with the first Tuesday of the month the Board set the November meeting for November 13, 2018.

Chairman Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm. The next Regular Board meeting will be held November 13, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Tom Terryberry
Secretary/Treasurer