

UPPER LOUP NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION  
PUBLIC HEARING GW RULES & REGS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Question & Answer Session of the Upper Loup Natural Resources District Board of Directors was held at the District office in Thedford, NE on Thursday, November 8, 2007. Chairman Gary Schaeffer called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Directors Present

Steve Boyer  
Byron Cox  
Ginger Fouse  
Louis Jacobson  
Judy Ridenour  
Gary Schaeffer  
Gordon Simonson  
Eric Storer-via telephone for Q & A session  
Wynn Wiens

Staff in Attendance

Anna Baum, General Manager  
Angie Jensen, Admin. Secretary  
Jack Brummet, Res. Technician  
Kyle Yrkoski, Res. Technician

Directors Absent & Excused

Wayne Eatinger  
Travis Hansen

Guests

Kevin Hood, NRCS  
Shawn Zutavern  
Lyle Phillips  
Jack & Linda Tucker  
John W. Kraye  
Mr. & Mrs. Pat Wright  
Dan Vinton  
Reagan Carr  
Chris Vinton

Mike French  
Steve Vinton  
John H. Vinton  
Elisa Vinton

Notice of Open Meeting Law Posting

Chairman Schaeffer made note of the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall by the Board meeting table for anyone that would like to read it.

Question & Answer Session

Chairman Schaeffer asked for questions and comments and led the group through the entire document of proposed rules and regulations. Several discussions over the rules and regulations for the proposed Upper Loup NRD Groundwater Management Area were held. Director Steve Boyer arrived at 6:28pm.

Public Hearing GW Rules & Regulations

Chairman Schaeffer moved to testimony for the public hearing at 7:15 pm. He read the letter sent from the Department of Natural Resources, which was the only written testimony received. There was no oral testimony given. This concluded the public hearing on the designation of a Groundwater Management Area and rules and regulations for that area.

ULNRD Board of Directors Regular Meeting Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Upper Loup Natural Resources District Board of Directors was held at the District office in Thedford, NE on Thursday, November 8, 2007. Chairman Gary Schaeffer called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm. Most of the guests in attendance left the building except for Kevin Hood and Shawn Zutavern. Director Eric Storer was no longer on the telephone.

Notice of Open Meeting Law Posting

Notice had been given by Chairman Schaeffer prior to the public question & answer session.

Agenda Modification

Chairman Schaeffer asked if there were any modifications to the agenda. There were none.

#### Action on Minutes of October Meeting

Chairman Gary Schaeffer asked for additions and/or corrections to the October 11, 2007 minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting. There were none. Chairman Schaeffer approved the minutes as circulated.

#### Financial Report

The November financial report was reviewed by staff and directors. Director Judy Ridenour moved to accept the financial report and Director Steve Boyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#1)

#### Public Forum-None

#### Approve GW Rules and Regulations

Director Judy Ridenour moved to accept the proposed GW Rules and Regulations and Director Louis Jacobson seconded the motion. (RCV#2)

#### NRCS Report

District conservationist, Kevin Hood, gave an oral report to directors. NRCS got a new plotter and will send the old one to Lincoln.

#### Sandhills RC&D-None

#### North Central RC&D-None

#### Central Sandhills Area Extension-None

#### NE Soil & Water Conservation Program-Status Report

#### District Reports

General Manager Anna Baum had sent her report to directors in the mail. She updated the directors on the status of the Lower Platte Basin coalition. Director Louis Jacobson moved to support the coalition and Director Steve Boyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#3)

Anna said the 319 water quality grant is proceeding well and has submitted more information to DEQ.

Resources Technicians Jack Brummet had sent his report to directors in the mail. He reported on the water table levels for the fall. Most levels are up a little. The Logan County monitoring well was up .63' from October. The new Great Plains no till drill arrived November 2.

Resources Technicians Kyle Yrkoski had sent his report to directors in the mail. He said survival checks went well, he got letters to producers and will be getting call backs on orders for replants on cost share. Kyle reported working on tree prices, Colorado and Halsey inventories and seepage data to Steve Peterson, USGS, for the ELM study.

Administrative Secretary Angie Jensen had sent her report to directors in the mail. She included some brief details on insurance meeting and retirement programs, ELM payments and Arbor Day tree order for elementary schools in the district.

#### NARD Report

Director Judy Ridenour reported on the NARD meeting at Beatrice. She said the next basin tour will be the Loup Basin to begin at Ord by Fort Hartsuff.

#### Correspondence & Informational Items

Attention was brought to the articles and information by the white board.

Adjournment

Chairman Gary Schaeffer adjourned the meeting at 8:02 pm.

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Eric Storer, Secretary

Tally of votes cast on motions, Financial Reports, Manager's Report and Valentine NRCS Reports are on file with the official minutes of this meeting. Notice of this meeting was published in all eight county newspapers and broadcast on KRVN radio. The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 13, 2007 at 7:00 pm CST at the District Office in Thedford, NE.