

UPPER LOUP NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The regular meeting of the Upper Loup Natural Resources District Board of Directors was held at the District office in Thedford, NE on Thursday, April 12, 2007. Chairman Gary Schaeffer called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Directors Present

Steve Boyer  
Byron Cox  
Wayne Eatinger  
Ginger Fouse  
Louis Jacobson  
Judy Ridenour  
Gary Schaeffer  
Gordon Simonson  
Eric Storer  
Wynn Wiens

Directors Absent & Excused

Travis Hansen

Guests Present

Kevin Hood, NRCS  
Lori Moore, Hazard Mitigation Officer  
Jack Albrecht  
Patricia Albrecht  
George Vinton, Attorney at Law

Staff in Attendance

Anna Baum, General Manager  
Angie Jensen, Admin. Secretary  
Jack Brummet, Resources Technician

Agenda Modification

Chairman Schaeffer made note of the Open Meetings Act posted by the Board meeting table. He asked if there were any modifications to the agenda. General Manager Anna Baum asked that Jack Albrecht be moved on the agenda to follow item #5.

Action on Minutes of March Meeting

Chairman Gary Schaeffer asked for additions and/or corrections to the March 8, 2007 minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting. There were none. Chairman Schaeffer approved the minutes as circulated.

Financial Report

Director Eric Storer arrived at 7:08. The April financial report was reviewed by staff and directors. George Vinton addressed the board on the status of the delinquent account. Director Byron Cox moved to accept the financial report and Director Steve Boyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#1)

Public Forum-None

Jack Albrecht

Jack addressed the board with a request to drill a well in Upper Loup NRD and apply the water to ground in the Twin Platte NRD. GM Anna Baum will send a letter to Twin Platte regarding our consent on this matter.

Hazard Mitigation Plan-Lori Moore

A mitigation Program Overview was presented by Lori Moore. She gave directors and staff information on CD and offered her assistance with any Hazard Mitigation planning we plan to do in the district.

NRCS Report

Kevin Hood, Thedford NRCS District Conservationist, handed his written report to directors and staff. He reported on the FSA State Committee meeting held in Thedford, April 4, 2007.

Sandhills RC&D-None

North Central RC&D-None

Central Sandhills Area Extension-None

NE Soil & Water Conservation Program

No new applications to approve until July, 2007 when new funding is announced.

District Reports

General Manager Anna Baum sent her written report to directors in the mail. She reported on the distribution of the 2<sup>nd</sup> newsletter. Director Wayne Eatinger moved to increase the Ranch Practicum scholarship to \$125, one per sub-district totaling 5 per year. Director Eric Storer seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#2)

Anna handed directors results of the water user surveys. There was an 11% response from the total district. She also had some information for directors on preparation costs of a Hazard Mitigation plan by a consultant. The Board asked her to do some initial checking on how municipalities in the district felt about being involved in the Hazard Mitigation plan.

Resources Technician Jack Brummet sent his report to directors in the mail. The Logan County monitoring well was up .19 of a foot. He reported Kyle and the tree crew have been planting trees on their own after he had gone with them a couple days. The Ford pick-up has not been running and had to tow it down to Call's Garage.

Administrative Secretary Angie Jensen sent her report to directors in their board packet. She brought directors attention to FSA proposed closing articles and information posted by the white board. The last day for comments sent to the FSA State Committee is April 27.

NARD Report

Director Judy Ridenour reported on the NARD Washington DC trip and the topics discussed while there.

Groundwater Management Committee-Policy Reviews

Discussion held on requiring flowmeters on commercial/industrial wells as well as municipalities regardless of when they were drilled. Cost share is being considered for those wells.

Correspondence & Informational Items

Additional review of DVD and news items were discussed.

Adjournment

Chairman Gary Schaeffer adjourned the meeting at 10:10 pm.

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Eric Storer, Secretary

Tally of votes cast on motions, Financial Reports, Manager's Report and Thedford 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, May 10, 2007 at 7:00 pm CST at the District Office in Thedford, NE.