

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, December 9, 2010. Gary Schaeffer called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm.

Directors Present

Byron Cox
Darwin Frey
Tom Johnson
Judy Ridenour
Gary Schaeffer
Gordon Simonson
Chris Vinton
Wynn Wiens

Directors Absent & Excused

Directors Unexcused

Steve Boyer
Wayne Eatinger
Eric Storer

Staff in Attendance

Anna Baum, General Manager
Leslie Reiser, Admin. Secretary
Jack Brummet, Resource Technician
Kyle Yrkoski, Resource Technician

Guests

Kevin Hood, NRCS
Dick Hadenfeldt, Director LLNRD & Natural Resources Comm.
Patrick Wright

Call Regular Monthly Meeting to Order

Gary called the regular meeting to order at 3:01pm.

Notice of Open Meeting Law Posting

Gary made note of the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall by the Board meeting table.

Agenda Modification

Gary asked if there were any modifications to the agenda. No Modifications

Public Forum

Dick Hadenfeldt gave a report in regards to the Natural Resources Commission

Action on Minutes of October Meeting

Gary asked for additions and/or corrections to the October 14, 2010 meeting minutes. No additions or corrections.

Agency Reports

NRCS Report

Kevin gave an oral report to directors.

Sandhills RC&D – No Report

District Staff Reports

Anna gave an oral report about the 2010 tree sale income.

Leslie read the I&E report

Financial Report

The October financial report was reviewed by staff and directors. Byron moved to accept the financial report and Gordon seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#1)

NE Soil & Water Conservation Program – No Report

Wildlife – No Report

Water Quantity

To date 7 applications for a total of 1506 acres have been received for expansion of irrigated acres.

Halsey Fire District submitted a variance request to Rule 9 of the ULNRD groundwater rules and regulations. Rule 9 states all new high capacity wells pumping more than 50 gpm must be equipped with a flow meter. The well is to be used only to fill fire trucks in the event of a fire. Chris made a motion to grant the variance and Gordon seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#2)

Water Quality

14 applications for a total of \$1854.80 have been approved for cost share for spraying of leafy spurge.

Grant Reports

Chris Hobza from USGS will be here to give a public presentation regarding the data collected from the groundwater network.

Anna reported that the 319 grant will end the end of December and she is currently writing the final report and Kyle is doing the final result mapping. She handed out a report to directors with information about nitrate levels throughout the district. She commented how the district looks good and is still in a phase 1 designation. Phase 1 is average groundwater nitrate levels of 0-7 ppm

To date for the 4th quarter, 4220 lbs. of recyclable material has been taken to the end market by the Upper Loup NRD

NARD Report

Judy gave a report to the directors. The NARD voting delegate for Legislative Conference was decided by directors. Judy is the voting delegate and Darwin Frey is the alternate.

Correspondence & Informational Items

Legislative Conference is January 25th and 26th 2011

Adjournment

Gary adjourned the meeting at 4:20pm.

Wynn Wiens, 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, January 13, 2011 3:00 pm CST at the District Office in Thedford, NE.