

MINUTES

The Board met Thursday October 4, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., with Gary Housholder Brad Peterson, Monty Dahl, and Kenny Nelson present.

Time sheets and checks were signed; the Minutes and Financial Report were approved as mailed.

Kenny explained personnel for NE Kansas Rural Development had requested a meeting with the Board at our next meeting to discuss possible funding for pivot installations.

Correspondence for the month was read and discussed as follows:

Aaron Thompson – to David Combs COE Lovewell deviation.

Kimball Banks 2 Executed Cooperative Agreements funding laterals

Kenny informed the Board of the 4-States Directors meeting on the 19th in Fort Collins, which he plans to attend to finalize the program for the Annual Meeting. Barney Gordon will receive the Headgate Award from Kansas this year.

Aaron Popellka of Congressman Moran's office informed Kenny he intends to move forward with a request to the Bureau's bill drafting service to prepare a bill to give the two Bostwicks financial relief from O&M charges at Harlan County if full supplies were not used. Once the bill is prepared, Aaron will have it "scored" by the Congressional Budget Office. According to Aaron, the bill will not likely get any "traction" if it scores negatively and will be faced with "pay go" issues.

Charlie Joy Republic County Road Supervisor requested approval of a plan to replace the canal bridge on Nickel Road west of Ken Petersons, with an 8' squash tube. He asked the District to contribute half the cost of the tube, and to riprap the edges. The county would furnish the other half the cost of the tube, install, fill, and place guardrail on the crossing. This met with Board approval.

Kenny informed the Board that Ryan Sothers had quit the employment of the district effective October 1. A general discussion was held on employment and salaries.

A report was given on progress of 2025 laterals. With receipt of the agreements from the Bureau of Reclamation, the construction of the projects is nearly ready to begin. Kenny reports having positive discussions but still needing to work out design and contributions with Bernie Leece regarding the lateral across his property.

The following Transfer Acre Request were discussed and met with Board approval and will accommodate pivot irrigation: Ward Aurand 21-1-5; Clay Aurand 24-

1-6; Eugene Spitler 32-2-5; and Myrna Teitjen 5-2-5. All of these transfers involve even trade of acres and do not involve the district's banked acres.

Kenny reported the flows from Guide Rock were shut on yesterday Oct. 3 with Lovewell at elevation 1580.55. An additional report was given on Harlan County elevation.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 am.

A report was given on water supply in the reservoirs and with no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 A. M.

Secretary