## **MINUTES**

The Board met Wednesday June 4, 2008 at 9:30 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.

Correspondence for the month was read and discussed as follows:

Aaron Thompson- to COE regarding H. Co procedure for releases

Aaron Thompson- to Irrigation Dist Republican River Surface Water Purchases

William Peck – estimated water supply 16.5" with both reservoirs in flood pool.

This meeting was held immediately following a tour stop put on by the University of Nebraska. Scott Ross Water Commissioner for the Ks. Dept of Water Resources attended that meeting and attended the Board Meeting during water allocation discussions. After a lengthy discussion regarding the supply and condition of the basin, It was decided to set the beginning restriction at 12"/acre with the intent to carry over the remaining supply for next year. We anticipate an 8-week season beginning near the 1<sup>st</sup> of July and ending near the 1<sup>st</sup> of Sept. In the letter to the Patrons, they will also be informed that we intend to allow transferring between owners and tenants as has been allowed the past two years. It was also suggested to inform them of the Real Time web site to allow the irrigator to follow the condition of the river flows.

Kenny reported on additional conversations with Aaron Popelka regarding Harlan County O&M legislation. Aaron intends to discuss this with Senate staff.

Don Lieb explained Steve Howley's transfer acre request in Section 1-2-5 and Russell Reinke's request in Section 9-2-6 as finalized to send to Reclamation. This met with Board approval.

Kenny reported on Hess Services progress on the repair of the White Rock Extension Tube and the radial gate on the Courtland Canal in Nebraska. Kenny explained the tube was complete and the gate was ready to be installed.

Kenny reported beginning work on the 2009 Budget.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

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Secretary