

MINUTES

The Board met Friday March 5, 2010 at 8:00 A.M., with Gary Housholder, Brad Peterson, Monty Dahl, and Kenny Nelson present.

Time sheets and checks were signed. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as mailed. Plans were made to attend the Kansas Water Office Tour at Lovewell Reservoir on April 8.

At this time, the Board canvassed the results of the Election for Board of Director for Voting Area #1 held on March 2nd by mail ballot election. The Election Board certified Gary Housholder as the winner with 34 votes and one write in vote for Doug Swanson. The Board initialed a Certification of Votes Cast from the election board and will forward it to the County Election Officer Vickie Hall.

The next item of business was an election of officers. The Directors retained their present positions with Gary Housholder –President, Brad Peterson – Secretary, and Monty Dahl – Treasurer.

The following correspondence was read and discussed

Lindsey Nafts – BOR extend 2025 grant until 9-30-2010

Marv Swanda – 2009 monthly water distribution reports

Sandy Hughson – error in 2009 H. Co O&M payment

Dave Barfield – Compact Commission Accounting

Lee Orton – email from Rizzi draft bill to exempt from acreage limitation

Kenny reported communicating with the other Nebraska – Kansas Area Office Districts regarding an effort to pass legislation to exempt us from acreage limitation. The idea would be to work together under an effort similar to the Irrigation Projects Reauthorization Council efforts during contract renewal. The other districts are having Board meetings and will get back to us.

Plans were made to write the Republican River Compact Commission a letter requesting they approve their past years accounting.

The following Transfer Acre Request for center pivot installations were reviewed and approved:

Dw Garman add 6.2 acres from the bank in the SW 14-2-5

Kay, Greg, & Wilma Mikesell in NE 33-2-5

Phil Johnson in NW 15-4-5

S Strnad in 16-2-5

B Freeman, Ryan Hobson, and Curtis Lindberg in NW 4-3-5

V. Lervold add 19.6 acres from the bank SW 6-2-4

A discussion was held regarding the 2010 watering season. It was agreed to limit the deliveries to 15” per acre. Water transfers between owners and tenants will be allowed. Water transfers from above to below or from below to above Lovewell will not be allowed. A patron letter will be drafted for next board meeting.

Kenny plans to attend the Four States Irrigation Council meeting on 3-19 in Berthoud Colorado.

A report was given on water supply. Releases from Harlan County were started today by the Corps of Engineers. They intend to study the flows of the river under larger releases.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 A. M.

Secretary