

MINUTES

The Board met Friday February 4, 2011 at 8:00 A.M., with Gary Housholder, Brad Peterson, Monty Dahl and Kenny Nelson present.

Time sheets and checks were signed. Minutes and the financial report from the previous meeting were approved as mailed.

Kenny reported 2010 crop census yields as follows: corn 162.7 bu/acre; alfalfa 8.3 ton/acre; milo 103.5 bu/acre; and soybeans 53.7 bu/acre

Correspondence for the month was read and discussed as follows:

- William Peck – 2011 available water supply
- Leonard Bristow Division of Water Resources – Gene Russell pivot
- Aaron Thompson – Guide Rock House Plan approval
- Michelle Maher BOR Grants Officer – WaterSMART 2010

Brad Peterson was the only person to file for Director in Voting Area #3. Mail ballot election preparations are underway. The ballots have been secured, a voter list is being prepared and the ballots will be mailed before the 9th of February. A notice of election will appear in the Courtland Journal the next 3 weeks. An election board has been arranged consisting of Janet Weir, Ruth Sederline, and Lisa Tebow. The election will be held on March 1 and the Directors will canvass the election at their Board meeting on Friday March 4th.

Kenny explained a contractor has been hired to remove the asbestos from the caretakers house at Guide Rock for not to exceed \$3,895.00. Another firm has been hired to conduct a final inspection for \$100. Following this, the house and buildings will be destroyed and buried on site. The proper procedure to destroy the septic system and water well will need to be followed to complete the project. Qualified inspectors will be involved in this process as well.

Chemical bids were reviewed at this time. Van Diest Supply Co. received the award on all chemicals with the low bid.

Pickup bids were reviewed next. Womack Sunshine Ford received the award with a cash price of \$19,876.00. The district will sell our 1998 Chevy by bid at a later date.

Kenny reported buying \$4,500.00 worth of the following tools: 2 generators; power washer; air compressor; and trash pump. This met with board approval.

Kenny reported selling scrap metal and a link belt dragline to Havel scrap and iron for \$2,600 and \$3,700 respectively.

Plans were made to purchase a truck tractor to replace our 1985 IHC. The board approved an expenditure of up to \$25,000.00 on a truck.

The Board approved sending Todd Allen and Klay Bouray to drivers training class at NCK technical college in Beloit to receive CDL driver's licenses to drive our big trucks. They will be enrolled in the Feb 22 & 23 classes.

Kenny explained Steve Gunn and Jeff Fields acting for Bob and Merrill Gunn had agreed to a \$6,500 contribution to bury Ridge Canal 1.3- 3.0 on Merrill's property in Section 32-1-5. This met with Board approval.

A report was given on work progress, work planned, and water supply.

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

Secretary