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KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Division of Water Resources  
MEMORANDUM

TO: Tom Huntzinger, Scott Ross  
Will Gilliland, Brent Turney  
Stafford Field Office

DATE: December 16, 2004

FROM: Steve Bond

RE: Monthly Meeting - DEC. 14  
Equus Beds GMD No. 2

Board of Directors present were Bob Seiler, Frank Harper, David Stroberg, Jerry Blain, Mark Whitson, Gene Gruenbacher, Kirk Larson, Clarke Dixon and Nadine Stannard with staff members Mike Dealy, Tessa Butcher and Tom Adrian.

The monthly board of directors meeting began at approximately 1:00 pm.

**\*\*Approval of the Minutes and Agenda\*\***

A motion and second was made to approve the November board minutes and the December agenda. The motion and second was approved.

**\*\*Approval of the Expenditures and Financial Report\*\***

The November financial report of actual expenditures and the proposed December expenditures were presented to the board for approval. A motion and second was made to approve these reports. The motion was approved.

**\*\*Public Forum\*\***

Gilbert Seiler, a dryland farmer in southeast Reno County, addressed the board concerning the tax statement he received from the county for district land assessment. The board explained to Mr. Seiler the district land assessment tax for dryland farmers.

M. S. Mitchell addressed the board concerning the questions on the district's rules and regulations that were presented at the September 14, 2004, public hearing. The Wichita Home Builders Association has received a response to those questions and would like a meeting scheduled for late January 2005 between the district and Wichita Home Builders. The board and district staff agreed to the January 2005 meeting.

**\*\*Appeal Review\*\***

Application No. 45973, Grass Farms LLC, was being reviewed by the board due to the application located in the Burrton IGUCA. Subject application is requesting 100 ac-ft of water at 800 gpm to irrigate 80 acres of fescue grass. The proposed well is located southeast or down gradient of the salt water contamination plume. Based on district findings that the proposed well is for a depth of 120 feet, current chloride concentrations in the middle and lower zones exceed the 250 mg/l drinking water standard, salt water contamination movement is in a southeasterly direction toward the proposed well and the drawdown created by existing wells and the proposed

well would further increase the saltwater movement toward proposed well, it is the recommendation of the district staff to deny the application. A motion and second was approved to accept staff recommendation.

**\*\*Old Business\*\***

Mike Dealy gave a presentation to the board concerning modification to the City of Wichita ASR Application Nos. 45569, 45572, 45567 and 46081.

File Nos. 45569 and 45572 are applications for bank storage wells located at the south end of the Little Arkansas River reach in section 8-23-2W. The City of Wichita is requesting to move these two proposed wells approximately 3100 feet north due to recent test well data indicating better water quality at the north locations. Since water quality is a concern for injecting water into the Equus Beds aquifer for recharge, the north sites are more appealing. Following considerable discussion among the board, district staff and Carl Nuzman, the board approved the move on a 8 to 0 vote with Jerry Blain abstaining.

File No. 45567 is an application for a recharge and recovery well located in the NWNWNW quarter of section 25-23-3W. The City of Wichita is requesting to move the proposed well 200 feet to the north. This move will allow the City of Wichita to deal with a different land owner for the proposed well. The board approved the move on a 6 to 2 vote with Jerry Blain abstaining.

File No. 46081 is an application for a recharge well located in the NWNWNW quarter of section 36-23-3W. This site was originally planned for a recharge pit, but due to landowner concerns of a pit operation taking to much ground, the City of Wichita agreed to convert this site to a recharge well only. The requested quantity of 43 ac-ft per year for the proposed recharge well is for annual maintenance on the proposed well. The board voted to approve the change on a 8 to 0 vote with Jerry Blain abstaining.

Mike Dealy discussed with the board the current status of the Partridge Area Water Resources resolution and Red Rock Creek surface water nodes. Mike Dealy recommended that a final report be submitted to the board at the June 2005 monthly board meeting. A motion and second was approved to accept this deadline for the final report.

Tom Adrian discussed with the board the hearing that will be held on December 21, 2004 on the City of Wichita ASR applications in Hutchinson. Mr. Adrian outlined the procedure for the morning and possible afternoon session. Bob Seiler, Mike Dealy and Carl Nuzman will be available for testimony during the GMD's presentation of the hearing. Tom Adrian informed the board that the public comment portion of the hearing is scheduled to begin at 7:00 pm.

**\*\*New Business\*\***

Mike Dealy discussed with the board the current status of the district office building repair to the foundation. A consultant engineering firm suggested a cheaper method that may solve the foundation problem. The board agreed to try this method to alleviate the foundation problem.

Mike Dealy made a presentation to the board on the draft FY 2006 budget. This draft budget had a land assessment of \$ 0.05 per acre and a water assessment of \$ 0.82 per ac-ft. This would generate a projected revenue of 310,585 dollars for projected district expenditures of 285,026 dollars to allow for year end carryover. A final budget has to be presented at the June 2005 board meeting.

The monthly board meeting adjourned at approximately 5:05 pm.