

MINUTES

The Board met Friday November 6, 2009 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 reported on recent activity between the State of Nebraska and Natural Resources Districts in Nebraska regarding a plan for compliance with the Republican River Compact. Kenny also informed the Board of Kirwin & Webster Irrigation Districts decision to not allow hunting on easement grounds due to liability issues.

Correspondence was read and discussed as follows:

Lynnette Smith – Water District Review regarding RRA reporting
Lynnette Smith – fines for errors in reporting

Kenny presented the Board a written report regarding the Four States Annual Meeting plans to be held in Fort Collins Colorado on January 13-15.

Plans for employees to work for the District after KPERS retirement were discussed. Wages, insurance, and future employment by the district were all part of this discussion. The mater was tabled until the next meeting.

The Lower Republican Shareholders Committee headed by the Kansas Water Office met on October 28 to finalize a report to be given to Tracy Streeter, Director of the Kansas Water Office. Kenny is a member of the committee and summarized the content of the report for the Board. It is hoped that a feasibility study to be conducted by the Bureau of Reclamation can be funded to better realize the potential for more water and improved management in Kansas.

A discussion was held regarding equipment. The Clark loader appears to have a blown engine. It was decided to investigate the possibility of rebuilding the engine or the cost of a remanufactured one before considering trading it off. Henry Pierce has informed the district that its radios will need to be changed to narrow band as required by law before 2011. Some discussion was held regarding the use of cell phones. It was the consensus of the Board that it would be difficult to replace the radios. A radio inventory of what needs to be replaced or repaired and the potential cost will be conducted this winter with Mr. Pierce.

A transfer acre request from Richard Lindberg to transfer up to 10 acres from the NW 17-3-5 to the district bank was approved. A request from the McConnell Brothers to transfer a few acres within and from the bank to their farm in the SW 5-4-5 for the installation of a center pivot was approved.

A report on work scheduled and water supply was given.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.

Secretary

