

MINUTES

The Board met Thursday February 4, 2010 at 8:00 A.M., with Brad Peterson, Monty Dahl, and Kenny Nelson present. Board member Gary Housholder was absent.

Time sheets and checks were signed. Annual Reports were handed out. A Notice of Election was signed. Kenny informed the Board of his intent to publish help wanted ads. Kenny reported on Kansas Wildlife and Parks Annual Report. According to the report Lovewell had 284,183 visitors in 2009.

The following correspondence was read and discussed:

Wayne Pachta – invitation to Conservation District meeting
William Peck BOR - Kansas Bostwick full supply 78,900 share of H Co
W Rex Woods – insurance no affect on KPERS
Kim Christenson & Susan Stover – KWO support feasibility study

Kenny reported that Lee Orton was waiting to hear from Richard Rizzi regarding possible legislation for RRA exemption. If the proposed legislation appears feasible, other districts in Kansas and Nebraska will be asked if they want to join in on an effort.

A discussion was held on a possible Four States summer tour in Kansas in 2011. No action was taken at this time.

The Board was informed of the purchase of a Komatsu Loader for \$30,000 and a Felling tilt trailer for \$3,200 from Surplus Properties in Topeka. Also purchased was a Payne debris fork for \$1,345 to install on a backhoe bucket to dip trash for the canal. Kenny also informed the repair being completed on the pump to Pump 1 South would cost \$10,000. Henry Pierce recently surveyed the district 2-way radios, which will need to be replaced to meet the narrow band requirement to take place by 2014. Four radios and the repeater will have to be replaced. Kenny ordered 1 radio this year at a cost of \$375.

The Board reviewed the 2009 District improvements totaling \$555,290. Of this, \$342,470 was for 2025 projects and \$100,000 of funds was received from the Bureau of Reclamation.

A discussion was held regarding the 2010 watering season. Kenny reported When Harlan County and Lovewell are both full; Kansas Bostwick has approximately 103,000 acre-feet of storage, which is enough to deliver 15” to 42,500 acres. Additional river and creek flows during the watering season should produce 4-6” of carry over if 15” is delivered in normal years. After some discussion, further action on the 2010 watering season was tabled until the next meeting.

Bids on Chemicals and a vehicle were opened at this time and the results were as follows:

Vehicle – Beloit Auto & Truck Plaza Inc 2010 Ford Expedition 4 wh drive

Chemicals – Van Diest 2-4-D and Copper Sulfate
Simms Glyphosate
CPS Direx and Pathway

A report was given on water supply. Kenny also informed the Board the Corps of Engineers has shut Harlan County releases off and intends to fill the lake close to 2' in the flood pool and then make release around 1,000 cfs to review how the river will handle larger flows.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 A. M.

Secretary