

MINUTES

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

Time sheets and checks were signed. Minutes and the financial report from the previous meeting were approved as mailed. Kenny gave a report on a tour of the district he conducted with Scott Ross and others on August 23, 2010.

Correspondence for the month was read and discussed as follows:

Aaron Thompson to Mike Hayden, response to proposed operational alterations
Aaron Thompson, destruction of house at Guide Rock
W. Rex Woods, audit of 2010 books

The Board approved W. Rex Woods proposal to conduct the 2010 audit.

Kenny gave the Board post cards mailed out by Jennifer Brown advertising the Four States Irrigation Council meeting to be held in January. He also discussed the need to further organize the 2011 summer tour to be held in Kansas.

A discussion was held regarding the end of watering season. Above Lovewell irrigators are to shut off no later than Monday the 13th and below Lovewell irrigators are to shut off by the 15th. The district is to have the canal above Lovewell nearly dried up by the 15th to allow for the construction of ramp flumes. The canal below Lovewell will be drained through the Courtland West Canal and irrigators with late or replanted crops due to the late June hailstorm will be allowed to irrigate until it disappears.

A discussion was held regarding new employees of the district. All employees will be kept for the time being.

A discussion of potential pipe lateral projects was held. Kenny explained WR 1.1 lateral would be constructed replacing existing 41.1 lateral. This is the final 2025 project and is ready for construction as soon as water is out of the canal. Other laterals on the "to do" list include a 10" pipeline on the Hurtig farm off Pump 4 that was not constructed in the spring, and 1,100' of 5.7 Right which had an error in design when it was built 2 years ago. A list of 6 other laterals was reviewed to be built from conservation reserve funds held in the district bank account. Courtland West 0.3 will be the first one built if all land owners agree.

A report was given on water supply. Both Harlan County and Lovewell will finish the year in good shape. Opportunities to fill Lovewell in the fall will be lost due to the construction of ramp flumes in the Courtland Canal. The potential for flood releases from Harlan County in the spring to fill Lovewell is very good.

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

Secretary

