

UPPER LOUP NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The regular meeting of the Upper Loup Natural Resources District Board of Directors was held at the District office in Thedford, NE on Thursday August 6, 2009. Byron Cox called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

Directors Present

Byron Cox  
Wayne EATINGER  
Gordon Simonson  
Eric Storer  
Chris Vinton  
Wynn Wiens

Directors Absent & Excused

Steve Boyer  
Judy Ridenour  
Darwin Frey  
Gary Schaeffer

Staff in Attendance

Anna Baum, General Manager  
Denise Vinton, I & E Coordinator

Guests

Notice of Open Meeting Law Posting

Byron made note of the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall by the Board meeting table.

Agenda Modification

Byron asked if there were any modifications to the agenda. No modifications.

Action on Minutes of July Meeting

Byron asked for additions and/or corrections to the July 9, 2009 meeting minutes. No additions or corrections. Minutes approved as circulated.

Public Forum – None

Agency Reports—No Report

NRCS Report—No Report

Sandhills RC&D – No Report

North Central RC&D – No Report

Central Sandhills Area Extension - No Report

District Staff Reports

Anna reported that the Environmental Trust Grant had been completed for the gauging stations. They are due by Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> and will be decided upon in April. Anna also handed out a ULNRD report card for 08-09 services performed.

Denise reported on the outdoor classroom project. We have received a grant from Dimensions Group to put in an outdoor classroom in Mullen. Denise met with Bob Broweleit to work on grant. It will be finished by the end of the month.

Financial Report

The July financial report was reviewed by staff and directors. Chris moved to accept the financial report and Wayne seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#1)

### NE Soil & Water Conservation Program

Several applications we passed for directors to review. Revisions on a previous application were approved. There were more applications than funding could cover and only three could be approved; the rest will be put on waiting list until more funding becomes available. Wayne made a motion to approve funding for Carpenter, Licking, and Willard Vinton. Chris seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV#2)

Wildlife – No Report

Water Quantity—No Report

Water Quality – No Report

Yard Enhancement Program – No Report

### District Interlocal Cooperative Agreements

Purposed rules and regulations were presented for final review. Directors discussed concerns and suggestions submitted by Sand Hills Golf Club. Eric motioned to submit rules & regulations as written. Gordon seconded the motion. Motion carried. (RCV #3)

### Grant Reports

Hazard Mitigation—FEMA has conditionally approved the plan and we are waiting for the signed resolutions from the participants

Nebraska Environmental Trust Grant—Drilling started Tuesday for the monitoring network in Grant County.

319 —Kyle is almost 100% complete with the domestic well testing. There were not many that took advantage of the free soil testing.

### Budget

Directors reviewed budget and set the budget hearing for Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>. Discussion was held on recycling. Wayne motioned to approve budget and budget hearing date. Wynn seconded. Motion carried. (RCV # 4)

NARD Report—No Report

### Correspondence & Informational Items

Anna reported on the tentative agenda for the NRD's 2009 Annual Conference. The dates are Sept. 27-29 in Kearney at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. The deadline for registration is Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>. Please let Anna know if you are interested in attending.

Wayne reported that there will be a grazing conference held in Kearney Aug. 11-12.

### Adjournment

Byron adjourned the meeting at 9:07 pm.

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Wynn Wiens, Secretary

Tally of votes cast on motions, Financial Reports, Manager's Report and Valentine NRCS Reports are on file with the official minutes of this meeting. Notice of this meeting was published in all eight county newspapers and broadcast on KRVN radio. The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10, 2009 7:00 pm CST at the District Office in Thedford, NE.