

MINUTES OF THE TRI-BASIN NRD BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 9, 2018, 7:30 p.m.
Tri-Basin NRD

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly board meeting of the Tri-Basin Natural Resources District (NRD) was called to order by Chairman, Dave Olsen, at 7:30 p.m. Olsen noted Public Meeting Law is posted in the boardroom

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with eleven directors present: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds. Bergstrom and Johnson were absent. Notice of the meeting was published in the Holdrege Citizen, Bertrand Herald, Elwood Bulletin and Minden Courier and announced on radio stations KRVN, Lexington and KUVR, Holdrege.

EXCUSE ABSENCES

Moved by Garrelts, seconded by Lundeen, to excuse Bilka from the August and September 2018 board meetings. Motion carried.

AYE: Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Bilka

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

MINUTES

Thorburn presented the minutes of the September 11, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting and public hearings.

Moved by Lundeen, seconded by Larson, to approve the minutes for the September 11, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting and Hearings. Motion carried.

AYE: Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Bilka

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

FINANCIAL REPORT

Bilka presented the financial report for the month of September 2018 as follows:

Accrual Expenditures for Month	\$109,716.36
Cash Expenditures for Month.....	\$115,411.80
Accrual Revenues for Month.....	\$197,739.82
Cash Revenues for Month.....	\$199,410.44
Bank Balance–September 30, 2018.....	\$473,886.35
Accounts Receivable – September 30, 2018.....	\$3,464.21
Investments – Pinnacle Bank – September 30, 2018.....	\$954,225.99
Building Sinking Fund – September 30, 2018.....	\$39,808.35
Vehicle Sinking Fund – September 30, 2018.....	\$54,386.25
Water Resources Fund – September 30, 2018.....	\$494,531.88
Whiskey Slough IPA Balance – September 30, 2018.....	\$13,114.03
Fort Kearny-West IPA Balance – September 30, 2018.....	\$13,709.61
South Dry Creek IPA Balance – September 30, 2018.....	\$11,043.20

Fort Kearny IPA Balance – September 30, 2018-----	\$14,050.38
Sacramento Creek IPA Balance – September 30, 2018-----	\$1,812.44
North Dry Creek IPA Balance – September 30, 2018-----	\$11,108.53
Water Jamboree – September 30, 2018-----	\$5,620.13
NRRMDA – September 30, 2018-----	\$7,630.95
Odessa IPA – September 30, 2018-----	\$7,500.00

Moved by Raffety, seconded by Garrelts, to approve the September 2018 Financial Report and submit for audit.. Motion carried.

AYE: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

SPECIAL BILLS

Thorburn presented the VISA, EA Engineering and PRD bills for approval. Garrelts asked for information concerning the PRD charges from CNPPID for the water right application.

Moved by Bilka, seconded by Lundeen, to approve the VISA, PRD and EA Engineering bills. Motion carried.

AYE: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

NRCS REPORT

FSA Farm Plans: There were no farm plans for approval.

Activity and Progress Report: Cammie Kerner introduced herself as the new District Conservationist and reported that staff is working on CSP and EQIP.

COST SHARE REPORT

Well Abandonment – Thorburn recommended one well decommissioning cost-share application to approve.

Moved by Bilka, seconded by Larson, to approve one well decommissioning cost-share application. Motion carried.

AYE: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

NSWCP & NRD Applications – Thorburn presented one NSWCP application to approve.

Moved by Lundeen, seconded by Jorgensen, to approve one NSWCP cost-share application. Motion carried.

AYE: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT

Groundwater & Certified Acre Transfers – There were no transfers to approve.

Educational Land Leases – There were no educational land leases to approve.

OTHER BUSINESS

The public was given the opportunity to bring other specific business or non-agenda items before the board for comment and/or discussion. There was no public comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Appoint Representatives to PRRIP LAC: Moved by Garrelts, seconded by Cavanaugh, to appoint Raffety as Delegate and Reynolds and Thorburn as Alternate Delegates to the PRRIP Land Committee. Motion carried.

AYE: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Raffety

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

Review Republican Basin IMP Compliance Status: Thorburn gave a presentation on TBNRD's Republican Basin IMP compliance requirements and status.

NARD REPORT

Reynolds presented service awards to Lynch (20 years) and Lundeen (25 years). Reynolds and Raffety commented on the Fall Conference.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

P&C Committee Meeting: There was nothing to report.

STAFF REPORTS & NECESSARY ACTION

Board Directives to Staff: Lynch mentioned that Flu Vaccinations will be given October 18, 2018 at 9 a.m., the LED lights were installed this week and a food drive is currently taking place in the office.

Out-of-State Travel: There was no out-of-state travel to approve.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Republican Basin (NRRMDA): On November 14, 2018, there will be a Forecast Meeting and public hearing on the Basin-Wide Plan.

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Platte Basin: Thorburn mentioned TBNRD has been using matching funding for high flow diversions available through the Platte Basin Coalition. SPNRD had a project but didn't have funds available. Thorburn and Reynolds agreed that SPNRD could use \$58,000 of TBNRD's allocation. PRRIP will be releasing water from Lake McConaughy.

Sand Creek/Little Blue Basin: Nothing to report.

North Dry Creek: This item will be discussed later in the meeting.

Odessa IPA: This item will be discussed later in the meeting.

Sacramento Creek: This item will be discussed later in the meeting.

Fort Kearny: This item will be discussed later in the meeting.

Fort Kearny West: This item will be discussed later in the meeting.

South Dry Creek: This item will be discussed later in the meeting.

Whiskey Slough: This item will be discussed later in the meeting.

Middle Lost Creek: Nothing to report.

Lake Seldom: Nothing to report.

CoHyst/Platte Basin Coalition: Nothing to report.

Rainwater Basin Joint Venture: Raffety commented on the Rainwater Basin Joint Venture tour that was held last month.

Platte-Republican Diversion & Republican Basin Augmentation Well: Nothing to report.

CNPPID: Ford reported Lake McConaughy is at 80% of capacity.

NEW BUSINESS

IPA End-of-Season Report, Munter: Munter reported work done on each Improvement Project Area.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

There were no comments and concerns.

Moved by Garrelts, seconded by Bilka, to move to executive session at 8:35 p.m. for the protection of the public to discuss a legal matter. Motion carried.

AYE: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

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Moved by Lundeen, seconded by Bilka, to move out of executive session at 8:45 p.m. for the protection of the public to discuss a legal matter. Motion carried.

AYE: Bilka, Cavanaugh, Garrelts, Harris, Hinrichs, Jorgensen, Larson, Lundeen, Olsen, Raffety and Reynolds

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Johnson and Bergstrom

NEXT BOARD MEETING

TBNRD Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Joe Bilka, Mike Cavanaugh, Todd Garrelts, Ed Harris, Rob Hinrichs, Greg Jorgensen, Joe Larson, Brad Lundeen, Dave Olsen, Dave Raffety and Larry Reynolds.

OTHERS PRESENT

Carie Lynch, John Thorburn, Nate Munter, Cammie Kerner, Dave Ford and David Grimes.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carie Lynch, Asst. Secretary

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ID	Motion #	Category	Subject	Aye	Nay	Abstain	
	2018-10-09-01	Meeting Administration					Moved by Garrelts, seconded by Lundeen, to excuse Bilka from the August and September 2018 board meetings. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-02	Meeting Administration					Moved by Lundeen, seconded by Larson, to approve the minutes for the September 11, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting and Hearings. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-03	Meeting Administration					Moved by Raffety, seconded by Garrelts, to approve the September 2018 Financial Report and submit for audit. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-04	Budget					Moved by Bilka, seconded by Lundeen, to approve the VISA, PRD and EA Engineering bills. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-05	Meeting Administration					Moved by Bilka, seconded by Larson, to approve one well decommissioning cost-share application. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-06	Meeting Administration					Moved by Lundeen, seconded by Jorgensen, to approve one NSWCP cost-share application. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-07	Directors	PRRIP Representatives				Moved by Garrelts, seconded by Cavanaugh, to appoint Raffety as Delegate and Reynolds and Thorburn as Alternate Delegates to the PRRIP Land Committee. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-08	Meeting Administration					Moved by Garrelts, seconded by Bilka, to move to executive session at 8:35 p.m. for the protection of the public to discuss a legal matter. Motion carried.
	2018-10-09-09	Meeting Administration					Moved by Lundeen, seconded by Bilka, to move out of executive session at 8:45 p.m. for the protection of the public to discuss a legal matter. Motion carried.