

TWIN PLATTE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 9, 2010

The Twin Platte Natural Resources District (TPNRD) Board of Directors meeting was held at the W.W. Wood Building on the North Campus of the North Platte Community College, 1101 Halligan Drive, North Platte, Nebraska on September 9, 2010. Mr. Rubenthaler called the meeting to order at 3:06 pm CDT (2:06 pm MDT). A legal notice of the meeting was published in the North Platte Telegraph. A news release containing the agenda for the meeting and including the time and place was sent to the news media in the District.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Eric Hansen  
Dale Margritz  
Jim Meisner  
Bob Petersen  
Jim Rubenthaler  
Dennis Schilz  
Doug Stack  
Shane Storer  
Joe Wahlgren  
Jerry Weaver  
Bob Wiseman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

NRCS PERSONNEL PRESENT

Mary Reece, District Conservationist

STAFF PRESENT

Ann Dimmitt, Water Programs Regulatory Coordinator  
Amy Mapes, Administrative Assistant  
Kent Miller, General Manager

OTHERS PRESENT

Brad Johnson, Sargent Irrigation  
Bart Nichols, Sargent Irrigation  
Jeff Shafer, NPPD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nebraska Open Meeting Act – Mr. Rubenthaler reported that the Nebraska Open Meeting Act requires public bodies to make available at least one current copy of the Open Meeting Act posted in the meeting room at a location accessible to members of the public, and at the beginning of the meeting the public shall be informed about the location of the posted information. Mr. Rubenthaler reported that the current Open Meeting Act was in the back of the meeting room and accessible to members of the public.

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Report of Directors Excused – Mr. Rubenthaler reported that Operating Policy Number 4: BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENCES provides that a Director will be considered excused if the Director notifies the office prior to the meeting that he will be absent and that the minutes will reflect whether an absent Director is excused or unexcused. Mr. Rubenthaler reported that all directors were present.

Distribution of Information – Mr. Rubenthaler reported that handouts were available for the public in the back of the meeting room.

Other Announcements – Mr. Rubenthaler reported that the monthly summary report of Natural Resources Conservation Service conservation plans was available for information and that the report would be passed around the Board table for review by each member of the Board of Directors present.

INFORMAL PUBLIC HEARING  
(Districtwide Ground Water Area Rules and Regulations)

Open Proceedings - Jim Rubenthaler, Chair of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District Board of Directors and Presiding Officer, opened the Public Hearing at 3:07 p.m. CDT.

Appointment of Hearing Examiner - Mr. Rubenthaler appointed Kent O. Miller, General Manager of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District, Hearing Examiner.

Review of Purpose by Hearing Examiner – Mr. Miller reported that the purpose of the informal public hearing was for hearing testimony in regard to proposed amendments for the Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Miller reported that copies of the proposed amendments for the Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations were available for the public in the back of the meeting room and had been mailed to the Board of Directors. Mr. Miller reported that the proposed amendments for the Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations have been available to view on the TPNRD Web Site.

Mr. Miller reported that legal notice of the public hearing was required to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the affected area at least once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks, the last publication of which was not less than seven (7) days prior to the public hearing. Mr. Miller reported that a legal notice of the public hearing was published in the North Platte Telegraph on August 17, 2010, August 24, 2010, and August 31, 2010 and he reported that a copy of the proof of publication was on file and available to view by the public and the Board of Directors.

Public Testimony - Mr. Miller opened the Hearing for Public Testimony.

Jeff Shafer, Nebraska Public Power District, distributed and reviewed written testimony.

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Mrs. Dimmitt reported that she received an email from Jennifer J. Schellpeper, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, of which written testimony was attached to present during the public hearing. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that since we were not at the office, that she was unable to print the written testimony to present during the hearing. Mr. Miller reported that the written testimony from the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources would be printed and included with the records for the public hearing.

No additional testimony was presented.

Informal Questions – Mr. Miller asked if there were questions in regard to the Budget.

There were no questions.

Close Proceedings - Mr. Miller turned the Hearing back to the Presiding Officer, Mr. Rubenthaler.

Mr. Rubenthaler declared the hearing closed at 3:23 p.m. CDT.

AMENDMENTS FOR THE DISTRICTWIDE GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA  
RULES AND REGULATIONS

Order for Approval – Mr. Miller reported that the TPNRD legal counsel, Harriet Hageman, prepared a draft Order that is in the Directors’ Board meeting notebook.

Mr. Miller reported that when amendments for the Districtwide Ground Water Area Rules and Regulations are approved, an order needs to be published in a newspaper published or of general circulation in the affected area at least once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks, the last publication of which was not less than seven (7) days prior to the effective date. Mr. Miller reported that the order could be published in the North Platte Telegraph September 23, 2010, September 30, 2010, and October 7, 2010 and an effective date of the amendments for the Districtwide Ground Water Area Rules and Regulations could then be October 14, 2010.

The Board of Directors agreed that they would like to see and consider the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources written testimony and they would like to consider further the Nebraska Public Power District written testimony prior to taking action on amendments for the Districtwide Ground Water Area Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Rubenthaler asked the Water Resources Subcommittee to review and analyze the written testimony received from the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources and the Nebraska Public Power District and to prepare a recommendation for the Board of Directors.

PUBLIC FORUM

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Mr. Rubenthaler opened the Public Forum. There were no comments. Mr. Rubenthaler closed the Public Forum.

AGENDA MODIFICATION

None presented.

GENERAL INFORMATION

None presented.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

Minutes for August 12, 2010 Meeting – Mr. Rubenthaler reported that the Minutes for the August 12, 2010 meeting were in the Directors’ packet and he asked if there were any corrections or additions.

Mr. Wahlgren moved that the Minutes of the August 12, 2010 Board of Directors meeting be approved. Mr. Margritz seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Motion #1)

Aye: Hansen, Margritz, Meismer, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack,  
Storer, Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman  
Nay: None  
Absent: None

REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

None presented.

COOPERATING AGENCIES REPORT

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) – District Conservationist Report – Mary Reece, District Conservationist, distributed and reviewed a report.

INFORMAL PUBLIC HEARING

(Budget)

Open Proceedings - Jim Rubenthaler, Chair of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District Board of Directors and Presiding Officer, opened the Public Hearing at 3:30 p.m. CDT.

Appointment of Hearing Examiner - Mr. Rubenthaler appointed Kent O. Miller, General Manager of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District, Hearing Examiner.

Review of Purpose by Hearing Examiner – Mr. Miller reported that the purpose of the informal public hearing was for hearing testimony in regard to support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed Twin Platte Natural

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Resources District 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget.

Mr. Miller reported that copies of an informational packet for the proposed 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget were available for the public in the back of the meeting room and had been mailed to the Board of Directors. Mr. Miller reported that the proposed 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget has been available for the public to view in the TPNRD office.

Mr. Miller reported that a legal notice was published in the North Platte Telegraph on August 28, 2010 and he reported that a copy of the proof of publication was on file and available to view by the public and the Board of Directors.

Mr. Miller reviewed the following for the proposed 2009-2010 Fiscal Year Budget:

2008-2009 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	\$ 1,069,818.94
2009-2010 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	\$ 1,225,498.13
2010-2011 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	\$ 4,819,846.63
2010-2011 Necessary Cash Reserve	\$ 200,000.00
2010-2011 Total Resources Available	\$ 5,019,846.63
Total 2010-2011 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	\$ 2,713,912.00
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	\$ 537,171.08

**Breakdown of Property Tax:**

Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	\$ -
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for All Other Purposes	\$ 2,713,912.00

Public Testimony - Mr. Miller opened the Hearing for Public Testimony.

No testimony was offered.

Informal Questions – Mr. Miller asked if there were questions in regard to the Budget.

There were no questions.

Close Proceedings - Mr. Miller turned the Hearing back to the Presiding Officer, Mr. Rubenthaler.

Mr. Rubentahler declared the hearing closed at 3:34 p.m. CDT.

INFORMAL PUBLIC HEARING  
(Setting Final Tax Request)

Open Proceedings - Jim Rubenthaler, Chair of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District

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Board of Directors and Presiding Officer, opened the Public Hearing at 3:35 p.m. CDT.

Appointment of Hearing Examiner - Mr. Rubenthaler appointed Kent O. Miller, General Manager of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District Hearing Examiner.

Review of Purpose by Hearing Examiner – Mr. Miller reported that the purpose of the informal public hearing was for hearing testimony in regard to support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request to fund the proposed Twin Platte Natural Resources District 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget.

Mr. Miller reported that copies of an informational packet for the proposed 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget were available for the public in the back of the meeting room and had been mailed to the Board of Directors. Mr. Miller reported that the proposed 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget has been available for the public to view in the TPNRD office.

Mr. Miller reported that a legal notice was published in the North Platte Telegraph on August 28, 2010 and he reported that a copy of the proof of publication was on file and available to view by the public and the Board of Directors.

Mr. Miller reviewed the following for the proposed 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget:

2009-2010 Property Tax Request	\$ 2,597,000.00
2009 Tax Rate	0.069101
Property Tax Rate (2009-2010 Request/2010 Valuation)	0.066125
2010-2011 Proposed Property Tax Request	\$ 2,713,912.00
Proposed 2010 Tax Rate	0.069101

Public Testimony - Mr. Miller opened the Hearing for Public Testimony.

No testimony was offered.

Informal Questions – Mr. Miller asked if there were questions in regard to the Budget.

There were no questions.

Close Proceedings - Mr. Miller turned the Hearing back to the Presiding Officer, Mr. Rubenthaler.

Mr. Rubentahler declared the hearing closed at 3:37 p.m. CDT.

2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Final Approval

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Mr. Meismer moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a legal notice of budget hearing and budget summary was published in the North Platte Telegraph on August 28, 2010, for a hearing scheduled for September 9, 2010 by the Board of Directors of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District on September 9, 2010 held a public hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, and observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Twin Platte Natural Resources District Board of Directors approves the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget as presented for public hearing.

Mr. Schilz seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Nebraska Statutes requires a majority vote of the Board of Directors present.) (Motion #2)

Aye: Hansen, Margritz, Meismer, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack,  
Storer, Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman  
Nay: None  
Absent: None

Set Property Tax Request

Mr. Wiseman moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Nebraska Statutes provide that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year unless the Board of Directors passes by a majority vote a resolution setting the tax request at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a legal notice of special hearing to set final tax request was published in the North Platte Telegraph on August 28, 2010, for a hearing scheduled for September 9, 2010 by the Board of Directors of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Twin Platte Natural Resources District on September 9, 2010 held a public hearing for the purpose of hearing testimony in regard to support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request to fund the proposed Twin Platte Natural Resources District 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget; and

WHEREAS, the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year property tax request for the Twin Platte Natural Resources Districts was \$2,597,000.00 and the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget requires a property tax request for the Twin Platte Natural Resources Districts of \$2,713,912.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Twin Platte Natural Resources District Board of Directors sets the final property tax request for the Twin Platte Natural

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Resources District for the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget at \$2,713,912.00.

Mr. Petersen seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Nebraska Statutes requires that the Board of Directors passes by a majority vote a resolution setting the tax request at a different amount from the property tax request for the prior year. The State Auditors office has interpreted a majority vote to be a majority of the Board of Directors which would require 6 affirmative votes.) (Motion #3)

Aye: Hansen, Margritz, Meismer, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack, Storer, Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman

Nay: None

Absent: None

Restricted Funds Authority - No action occurred.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS REPORT  
Land Resources SubCommittee

No report presented.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS REPORT  
Water Resources SubCommittee

Mr. Meismer, Water Resources Subcommittee Chairperson, presented a report for the subcommittee meeting held on September 9, 2010.

Ground Water Management – Variances – Lawler Farm & Ranch Company – Mr. Meismer reported that the TPNRD received a request for a variance from Lawler Farm & Ranch Company. Mr. Meismer asked Mrs. Dimmitt to report on the request.

Mrs. Dimmitt reported that the TPNRD received a request from Lawler Farm & Ranch Company to de-certify and transfer 84.0 certified ground water irrigated acres from the E½ Section 34, Township 31 North, Range 35 West, Keith County, Nebraska to the same section but relocated under a pivot irrigating acres that were not previously irrigated. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that the 84.0 acres that were not certified are summer fallow wheat fields. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that the Lawler’s would like to more efficiently use their irrigation water, and not have to lay pipe out any more. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that the same number of acres being transferred under the pivot will be removed from irrigation from the E½ of the section. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that there will be no new depletions to the river. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that in the Directors’ Board meeting notebook was an aerial photo of the area.

Mr. Meismer moved the Water Resources Subcommittee’s recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve granting a variance to Lawler Farm & Ranch Company to transfer 84.0 certified ground water irrigated acres from the E½ Section 34, Township 31 North, Range 35 West, Keith County, Nebraska, to the same section but relocated under a pivot irrigating acres that used to be summer fallow wheat fields and were not irrigated conditioned on: (1)

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Lawler Farm & Ranch Co filing with the County Register of Deeds that all the lands have been de-certified and will not be irrigated in the future and proof of the filing is provided to the TPNRD; (2) Lawler Farm & Ranch Co providing the TPNRD proof of ownership; (3) if there are contracts for state or federal programs requiring previously irrigated lands to not be irrigated, it is the responsibility of Lawler Farm & Ranch Co and not the TPNRD to be in compliance with those contracts; (4) Lawler Farm & Ranch Co executing a signed and notarized affidavit that the TPNRD is not responsible for any new depletions and offsets that may be required due to the transfer by other parties; (5) Lawler Farm & Ranch Co pay the \$200 application fee to be collected when the transfer form is completed; and (6) a twelve month limitation for transfers to physically take place. Mr. Margritz seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Motion #4)

Aye: Hansen, Margritz, Meismer, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack, Storer, Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman  
Nay: None  
Absent: None

Ground Water Management – Variances – Requests – Carroll & Mary Hardessen – Mr. Meismer reported that the TPNRD received a request for a variance from Carroll & Mary Hardessen. Mr. Meismer asked Mrs. Dimmitt to report on the request.

Mrs. Dimmitt reported that the TPNRD received a request from Carroll and Mary Hardessen to de-certify and transfer 6.31 certified ground water irrigated acres from the NW Section 31, Township 31 North, Range 40 West, Keith County, Nebraska, to the same section but relocated under a pivot irrigating acres that used to be an old homestead and were not previously irrigated. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that the 6.31 acres that were not certified was an old feedlot removed so the pivot could go all the way around, and a re-use pit that was filled in. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that the same number of acres being transferred under the pivot will be removed from irrigation from the NW corner of that pivot. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that there will be no new depletions to the river. Mrs. Dimmitt reported that in the Directors' Board meeting notebook was an aerial photo of the area.

Mr. Meismer moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve granting a variance to Carroll and Mary Hardessen to transfer 6.31 ground water irrigated acres from the NW Section 31, Township 31 North, Range 40 West, Keith County, Nebraska, to the same section but relocated under a pivot irrigating acres that used to be an old feedlot and were not irrigated conditioned on: (1) Carroll and Mary Hardessen filing with the County Register of Deeds that all the lands have been de-certified and will not be irrigated in the future and proof of the filing is provided to the TPNRD; (2) Carroll and Mary Hardessen providing the TPNRD proof of ownership; (3) if there are contracts for state or federal programs requiring previously irrigated lands to not be irrigated, it is the responsibility of Carroll and Mary Hardessen and not the TPNRD to be in compliance with those contracts; (4) Carroll and Mary Hardessen executing a signed and notarized affidavit that the TPNRD is not responsible for any new depletions and offsets that may be required due to the transfer by other parties; and (5) Carroll and Mary Hardessen pay the \$200 application fee to be collected when the transfer form is completed. Mr. Storer

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seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Motion #5)

Aye: Hansen, Margritz, Meisner, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack,  
Storer, Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman  
Nay: None  
Absent: None

Ground Water Management – Violations – No report presented.

Aerial Geophysical Mapping – Status/Funding – Mr. Meisner asked Mr. Miller to report on the status and funding for aerial geophysical mapping in the TPNRD.

Mr. Miller reported that Rod Horn, General Manager SPNRD, Ron Cacek, General Manager NPNRD, Jim Cannia – Hydrologist – USGS, Jim Goeke – UNL Conservation & Survey Division, and he were continuing to meet to determine priorities and funding for analyzing the aerial geophysical survey data obtained this summer and for obtaining additional data and analysis. Mr. Miller reported that in the Directors’ Board meeting notebooks was a schedule for determining priority areas and sources of funding for aerial geophysical surveys in the NPNRD, the SPNRD, and the TPNRD and maps showing priority areas in the NRDs. Mr. Miller reported that options for funding would be directly from the USGS, authorized funds from Congress through Senator Ben Nelson, and funding from the Nebraska Environmental Trust.

Mr. Meisner reported that Mr. Horn, Mr. Cacek, and Mr. Miller have agreed that the three managers should meet with Senator Ben Nelson’s Washington, D.C. staff before the end of the 2010 calendar year to seek funding. Mr. Meisner reported that Mr. Horn would be scheduling a meeting, which he will try to have in Nebraska, but it may need to be in Washington, D.C. Mr. Meisner reported that the TPNRD Policy provides that Board authorization is required for all staff or Director expenses for travel outside a 300-mile radius of the District. Mr. Meisner reported that the Water Resources Subcommittee is recommending to the Board of Directors to authorize Mr. Miller to travel to Washington, D.C. if a meeting with Senator Ben Nelson’s Washington, D.C. staff needs to occur in Washington, D.C. and a meeting is confirmed.

Mr. Meisner moved the Water Resources Subcommittee’s recommendation to the Board of Directors to authorize Kent O. Miller, General Manager, to participate in a meeting with Senator Ben Nelson’s Washington, D.C. staff in Washington, D.C. during the 2011 fiscal year, if a meeting is confirmed. Mr. Wahlgren seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Motion #6)

Aye: Margritz, Meisner, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack, Storer,  
Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman  
Nay: Hansen  
Absent: None

Integrated Management Plan (IMP) - CNPPID vs. TPNRD – Mr. Meisner reported that in the Directors’ Board meeting notebook, for information, was a CNPPID motion in the

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District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, to amend petition.

Integrated Management Plan (IMP) - Offset Water - Water Savings from Conservation – Mr. Meismer reported that John Thorburn, General Manager – Tri-Basin Natural Resources District, discussed with the Subcommittee by phone, the status of his investigation into water savings from conservation practices.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS REPORT  
Wildlife Habitat & Urban Affairs Subcommittee

No report presented.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS REPORT  
Executive Subcommittee

No report presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Statement - Mr. Meismer reported that the Financial Statement for August 2010 was in the Directors' notebook and available as a handout.

Accounts Payable - Mr. Meismer reported that the Accounts Payable report was in the Directors' notebook and available as a handout, and that he had reviewed the Accounts Payable and found the report to be in order.

Mr. Meismer moved that the Financial Statement for August 2010 be received and placed on file for audit and to approve payment of the invoices presented on September 9, 2010 in the amount of \$126,957.95. Mr. Petersen seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Motion #7)

Aye: Hansen, Margritz, Meismer, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack,  
Storer, Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman  
Nay: None  
Absent: None

Budget Status – No report presented.

Bids/Proposals – None presented.

Bids/Proposals Scheduled to be Presented for Consideration during the October 14, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting – Mr. Miller reported that no bids/proposals were scheduled to be presented during the October 14, 2010 board meeting.

DIRECTORS REPORTS

Nebraska Association of Resources Districts – Board of Directors Meeting – No report presented.

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NARD – Annual Conference, September 27-28, 2010, Kearney - Schedule – Mr. Meismer reported that the NARD annual conference would be held September 27-28, 2010 in Kearney, NE and that in the Directors’ Board meeting packet, for information, was the program for the conference. Mr. Meismer reported that Mr. Petersen, Mr. Rubenthaler, Mrs. Dimmitt, Mr. Miller, and he plan to attend. Mr. Meismer reported that in the Directors’ Board meeting packet, for information, were resolutions that have been submitted.

Sandhills Resources, Conservation & Development Council – No report presented.

Requests for Authorization to Travel – No requests were presented.

DISTRICT REPORT

Cost-Share Programs – NE Soil & Water Conservation Program – Mr. Miller reported that in the Directors' notebook was a report and \$56,546.32 was available for funding contracts.

Mr. Wahlgren moved to approve the September 9, 2010 report and to approve the following new contracts:

<u>Cont#</u>	<u>Practice</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>App Amt</u>	<u>Prop Amt to Fund</u>
11.004	NC-14	Planned Grazing System	\$ 4,759.37	\$ 4,759.37
11.005	NC-1	Terraces	\$ 1,589.250	\$ 2,021.25
Total Amount of New Contracts				\$ 6,348.62

FUNDS AVAILABLE:	Practice NC-12, Windbreaks	\$ 21,056.72
	Practice NC-14, Planned Grazing	\$ 2,654.59
	Practice NC-17, Irrigation	\$ 21,056.72
	Other available practices	\$ 5,429.67

Mr. Margritz seconded the motion. The motion carried. (Motion #8)

Aye: Hansen, Margritz, Meismer, Petersen, Rubenthaler, Schilz, Stack, Storer, Wahlgren, Weaver, Wiseman

Nay: None

Absent: None

Cost-Share Programs – District Conservation Programs – Mr. Miller reported that in the Directors' Board notebook was a report and \$8,199.45 was available for new contracts.

Tree Programs – No report presented.

Range Programs – No report presented.

Water Programs – No report presented.

Soil Conservation Programs – No report presented.

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Wildlife Habitat Programs – No report presented.

Regulatory Programs – No report presented.

Information & Education Programs – No report presented.

Brule Watershed – No report presented.

Interlocal Cooperation Agreements – No report presented.

Hazard Mitigation Plan – No report presented.

Requests for Authorization to Travel – None presented.

Meetings and Dates of Interest – Mr. Miller reported that various items of information were in the Directors' packet.

Miscellaneous Information – Mr. Miller reported that various items of information were in the Directors packet and in the Directors' notebook.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Rubenthaler reported that the next Board of Directors meeting would be held on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at 7:30 pm CDT (6:30 pm MDT) at the Great Western Bank Center Meeting Room, 111 South Dewey Street, Second Floor, North Platte, Nebraska.

Mr. Rubenthaler reported that in November the second Thursday is November 11, 2010 which is the observance for Veterans Day. The Board of Directors agreed to hold the November Board meeting on November 18, 2010. Mr. Rubenthaler reported that the November 18, 2010 Board meeting would be held at 3:00 pm CST (2:00 pm MST) at the Great Western Bank Center Meeting Room, 111 South Dewey Street, Second Floor, North Platte, Nebraska.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:34 pm CDT (3:34 pm MDT).

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Jerry Weaver, Secretary