

Thurston County Rural Water Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
June 30, 2009

A meeting of the Thurston County Rural Water Advisory Board was held at the NRD field office in Walthill, NE, on Tuesday, June 30, 2009. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Harlan Witte at 7:45 p.m.

QUORUM CALL:

Quorum call was taken. The following members and individuals were in attendance:

<u>Advisory Board Members Present</u>	<u>Advisory Board Members Absent</u>	<u>Others In Attendance</u>
Harlan Witte Marvin Baker Larry Athey	Bruce Paeper Rod Bonderson	Dick Sklenar, NRD Staff Dennis Cady, NRD Staff

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Discussion was called for on the tentative agenda. It was moved by Athey, and seconded by Witte, that the agenda be adopted.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

Voting Yea: Witte, Baker, Athey
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Paeper, Bonderson

WATER USE AND FINANCIAL REPORT

Dick Sklenar stated it would appear that water usage by consumers for Fiscal Year 2009 would be down by about 20%. A few customers fixed their leaks, and some advisory board members felt that there was less livestock this year. Income would also be proportionately down for the year as well. The rural water system still is in relatively good shape, accounting for more than 90% of all water purchased. Dick mentioned that in the next few years ahead, more meters will need to be replaced for customers due to the expansion of the system back in 1993. About 50 new customers were added at that time and the meters are getting old. Age can have an effect on accuracy, resulting in a loss of income. Due to the inspection and minor painting repairs made to the interior of the water tower, a contract to entirely strip, clean, & repaint the interior of the water tower will be delayed for another 2-3 years.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

A draft of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2010 was presented to the advisory board. The budget is about 4% less than the previous year. Larry Athey felt that the budget was conservative, but all agreed that controlling operating costs in this economy was important.

It was moved by Baker, and seconded by Athey, that the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2010 be recommended for approval by the Board of Directors of the District.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

Voting Yea: Witte, Baker, Athey

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Paeper, Bonderson

ADJOURNMENT: There is no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 8:15 p.m.

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