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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 10, 2009

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Call to Order: The September 10, 2009 meeting of the Panhandle RC&D Board of Directors was called to order by President Larry Gibbs at 11:00 A.M. Attendees included: President Larry Gibbs, City of Gering, Gary Grubbs, Banner County Representative, Bill Patterson, City of Oshkosh, Webb Johnson, Dawes County Representative, Terry McCord, Garden County Representative, Ron Miller, Scottsbluff County Representative, Verlin Bruns, Deuel County Representative, Cheryl Burkhart-Kriesel, South Platte NRD Representative. Staff: Ron Moore, RC&D Coordinator, Joyce Mick, Program Assistant. Guest: Carolyn Foged with Panhandle Independent Living Services (PILS).

Approve Consent Agenda: Motion made by Verlin Bruns to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Ron Miller. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The beginning balance was reported \$43,150.84. Receipts included memberships \$3,150.00 for Council; Bridges to Buttes \$1,000.00 for FIG; Wal-Mart \$1,000.00 for FIG; High Plains Weed Management \$10,000.00 for Council; Chadron Native American \$1,000.00 for FIG; USDA-Natural Resource Conservation \$1,001.49 for FIG. Expenses included \$1,000.00 for FIG; Oregon Trail Museum \$208.43 for Sustainability; Ron Moore \$156.71 for FIG; USPS \$89.24 for Council; payroll expense \$1,696.84 for Council; Allo Communications \$25.00 for Council. Expenses totaled \$3,176.22. Ending balance of all accounts \$57,126.11.

Approval of Bills to be paid: Gary Grubbs moved to approve the bills to be paid totaling \$4,103.50. Seconded by Verlin Bruns. Motion carried.

Reports:

2009 Annual Work Plan: Verlin Bruns moved to approve the completed Annual Work Plan for 2009. Seconded by Terry McCord. Motion carried.

Annual Work Plan 2010 & 2011: Gary Grubbs moved to approve the Annual Work Plan for 2010 and 2011. Seconded by Terry McCord. Motion carried.

Committee Report for State Association Meeting: Ron Moore reported that we are short one speaker for the residential water usage. He will talk with rural development and communities dealing with variety of water issues. The press release for the State Association Meeting will be combined with RC&D week and will run 5 days of news articles highlighting projects we have done. Discussion was held on Board Members available to attend the meeting and that we are in need of 8 volunteers to introduce speakers. Board Members Verlin Bruns, Larry Gibbs, Ron Miller, Terry McCord, Cheryl Burkhart-Kriesel have volunteered to introduce speakers. Ron Miller moved to approve to pay for

seven Board Members registrations and if Board Member lives out of town will pay for cost of motel rooms. Seconded by Terry McCord. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS: Ron Moore introduced Carolyn Foged with Panhandle Independent Living Services as being a new project of Panhandle RC&D. They are asking for assistance in searching for grants for funding. Cheryl Burkhart-Kriesel moved to approve the new project of Panhandle Independent Living Services. Seconded by Verlin Bruns. Motion carried.

Some discussion was held on the upcoming 40th Anniversary of Panhandle RC&D that we need to work all media and get creative.

Discussion was held on membership dues for a long term commitment. It was agreed upon to think about it and come up with suggestions.

The Board would like to have resolutions sent out to all cities and counties for RC&D week of September 21-27, 2009 and combine advertising it with the State Annual Meeting.

Ron Moore reported to the Board to explain the soil sampling need for the tour given by Ron Miller and the cost would be around \$1,000.00.

Motion made by Cheryl Burkhart-Kriesel to adjourn at 11:53 A.M. Seconded by Terry McCord. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned by President, Larry Gibbs.