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BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2010

Call to Order: The September 9, 2010 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; Vice President Dave Boeckner, City of Scottsbluff; Sec/Treas Mike Marker, Scotts Bluff County; Charles Weston, Box Butte County; Bill Patterson, City of Oshkosh; Dave Ostdiek, North Platte NRD; Webb Johnson, Dawes County; Harold Winkelman, Cheyenne County, Ron Miller, Scotts Bluff County. Staff: Ron Moore, RC&D Coordinator, Joyce Mick, Program Support Assistant.

Approved Consent Agenda: Mike Marker moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Charles Weston. Motion carried.

Policy on meals when traveling: Mike Marker moved to approve the Federal Per Diem for staff and board members for meals while traveling. Seconded by Bill Patterson. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report and Bills to be paid: Charles Weston moved to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$754.65 and Treasurer's report as follows: balance brought forward \$67,134.24. Total receipts \$17,384.99 and total expenditures \$12,879.76 leaving a balance on hand of \$71,639.47. Seconded by Ron Miller. Motion carried.

Annual Work Plan: Harold Winkelman moved to approve the work plan and if needed, we can amend it in the future. Seconded by Mike Marker & Charles Weston. Motion carried.

RC&D Coordinator Reports: Ron Moore reported that Congressman Smith was very impressed with the meeting with the RC&D Board members and committee members. Senator Johanns met in Banner County with the Banner County Wind Energy. Senator Nelson held a meeting at the Harms Center and Banner County Wind Energy met with him and praised Panhandle RC&D for all the work and support they have provided. Ron suggested that we have the Western Governors meet out here to see if they would be interested in supporting the Banner County Wind Energy. The Intertribal Gathering is having a meeting on Friday, September 10, 2010 to discuss the expenses and see what expected income has not come in yet. Big Springs Pond renovation is working on the project for next year. HPWMA has sent in their application for a \$1.8 million grant and added narrow leaf cattail.

Audit Review Results: Mike Marker reported that 25 requests for bidding RFP for a CPA Review were sent out to Torrington, Alliance, Kimball, and Sidney. We have only received seven. All were declining to participate. Mike asked for suggestions from the Board on which way they would like to proceed. After much discussion, the Board decided to send out another RFP asking for a bid on a full

audit with a deadline of October 1, 2010. It was pointed out, that a CPA "Review" is being asked by NRCS and that it needs to be done every two years.

State RC&D Meeting: Mike Marker moved for Joyce Mick to attend the State RC&D meeting and any Board Members that are wanting to go. A letter of appointed the voting member will be decided by those in attendance. Seconded by Ron Miller. Motion carried.

All employees meeting: Ron Moore informed the Board that the State Conservationist is leaving for a position in Texas and that we need to show our support for all RC&D's across the State of Nebraska to Doug Christensen. Ron Miller moved to have a letter of support from the Board sent to Doug Christensen. Seconded by Charles Weston. Motion carried.

Grant to NET for HPWMA: Ron Moore reported that a grant of \$1.8 million was submitted to NET for HPWMA.

Adjournment: Webb Johnson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mike Marker. Motion carried.

