

PUBLIC NOTICE

The South Platte Natural Resources District will hold a regular public meeting on Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at the South Platte Natural Resources District, 551 Parkland Drive, Sidney, Nebraska, at 5:00 p.m. An agenda of the matters to be considered at such date, time and place is kept continually current and is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the South Platte NRD Office, 551 Parkland Drive, Sidney. Any person with disabilities who needs help in participating in the meeting should contact the District office (308) 254-2377, before the meeting.

FINAL AGENDA

1. Call to Order - Keith Rexroth, Chair
 - A. Nebraska Open Meetings Act
 - B. Legal Notices
 - C. Approval of Expenditures
 1. *Possible January 2011 Committee Meeting Expenditures for Meals
2. Minutes
 - A. Minutes of the November 9, 2010 Board of Directors meeting
 - B. Minutes of the November 8, 2010 Natural Resources/Projects and Programs Committee meeting
 - C. Minutes of the November 16, 2010 Special Board of Directors meeting
3. *Treasurer's Report for November 2010 and Accounts Payable
4. Public Questions, Comments and/or Concerns
5. Director and Staff Reports
6. Agency Reports
 - A. USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
 1. NRCS Report - Kristin Miller, DC-NRCS
 - B. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD)
 1. NARD Report - Horn
 2. NARD 2011 Legislative Conference, January 24-26, 2011, Lincoln, NE - Horn
 3. *Voting Delegate and Alternate for 2011 NARD Legislative Conference - Horn
 - C. Panhandle Resource Conservation and Development (PRC&D)
 1. PRC&D Report - Burkhart-Kriesel
 - D. Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (NDNR)
 1. NDNR Report - Rexroth
7. Review Fall 2010 Ground Water Level Observation Program Data - Kaiser
8. Discuss Special Meeting Concerning the Sidney East Critical Area Treatment - Burkhart-Kriesel
9. Committee Reports
 - A. Natural Resources/Projects & Programs Committee - Hutchison, Chair
 1. *Action on Proposed Amendment to the Community Forestry Program

2. Matter Regarding Industrial/Commercial Water Usage Certification
 - a. *Discussion and Action Concerning Baseline Certification(s)
 - i. Russ McMillen
 - b. *Discussion and Action as Desired on Variance Requests to Establish Industrial/Commercial Water Usage Certification(s)
 - i. Chappell Feedlot
 - ii. Terry Madden
 - iii. Chris Ray
 - iv. Clean Harbors
 - c. *Discussion and Action regarding Non-Baseline Certification(s)
 - i. Bertramson Trust
 - ii. Sheila Newell
 - d. *Discussion and Action as Desired Regarding Plains Pipeline Fire Suppression Well
 - e. Follow-up on Dinklage's Case
3. Discussion on the Hazard Mitigation Plan - Hazard Identification Worksheets
4. Review of Proposed Changes to the District's Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations
5. Discuss Proposed Airborne Geophysical Mapping Project
6. Status Report Regarding the Nebraska Platte-Republican Conservation Enhancement Program (CREP)

B. District Operations Committee - Halligan, Chair

1. *Action on the NARD Flexible Benefits Plan-Participation Agreement (Amendment #1)
2. *Discussion and Action as Desired to Pursue an Oil and Gas Lease at Oliver Reservoir
3. *Re-Visit and Action as Desired on the SPNRD Board's September 2010 Action Concerning a 319 NPS Grant Application
4. *Action on Proposed Revisions to the District's Cost-Share Program - Special Component Practices
5. *Action as Desired on Water (Observation) Well Lease Agreement
6. Update on Litigation

10. Correspondence

11. Upcoming Dates

- A. December 17, 2010, Annual NRD/NRCS Christmas Luncheon, 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
- B. December 24, 2010, SPNRD Office Closed, Christmas Day Holiday
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- G. March 12-16, 2011, NRDs Washington, D.C. Legislative Conference

12. Adjourn

*Denotes Possible Action Items

MINUTES

The meeting of the South Platte Natural Resources District Board of Directors was held Tuesday, December 14, 2010, at the South Platte NRD Conference Room, 551 Parkland Drive, Sidney, NE at 5:00 p.m. The public notices were published in the Sidney, Chappell and Kimball newspapers. The agenda was compiled and each member of the Board of Directors and other interested and affected persons were notified of the meeting date within the deadline.

Board Members Present

Keith Rexroth, Chair

Cheryl Burkhart-Kriesel, Vice Chair

Tom Biggs, Secretary (5:17 p.m.)

Bill Halligan

Larry Rutt

Paul Hutchison

Board Members Absent

Jim Johnson (excused)

Others Present

Kristin Miller, D.C., NRCS-USDA

NRD Staff Present

Rod L. Horn, General Manager

Galen Wittrock, Assistant Manager

Kyle Liebig, Water Resources Manager

Ryan Reisdorff, Water Resources Programs Coordinator

Linda L. Suhr, Administrative Manager

Travis Glanz, Water Resources Technician

Chris Kaiser, Natural Resources Coordinator

Information Material

The following information was provided prior to the meeting or provided during the meeting:

1. December 14, 2010 Tentative and Final Agendas, meeting of the SPNRD Board of Directors
2. December 14, 2010 Tentative Agenda, meeting of the District Operations Committee
3. December 13, 2010 Tentative and Final Agendas, meeting of the Natural Resources/Projects & Programs Committee
4. November 9, 2010 Minutes of the SPNRD Board of Directors meeting
5. November 8, 2010 Minutes of the Natural Resources/Projects & Programs Committee meeting
6. November 16, 2010 Minutes of the Special Board of Directors meeting (Sidney East Critical Area Treatment)
7. November 30, 2010 SPNRD Treasurer's Report and December 14, 2010 Accounts Payable
8. December 3, 2010 Manager's Letter
9. December 14, 2010 Manager's Report
10. December 10, 2010 Memo re: 2nd Mail Out
11. December 14, 2010 Administrative Manager's Report
12. November 30, 2010 District Secretary's Report
13. December 2010 NRCS monthly report to the SPNRD with attached Panhandle No-till Partnership Winter Workshops information
14. NARD 2011 Legislative Conference - Tentative Agenda
15. NARD Meeting Minutes, November 8, 2010: NARD Risk Pool; and NARD Board of Directors with attached List of NARD Legislative Bills and Alternative funding option
16. Fall 2010 SPNRD Ground Water Level Report
17. Memo from Ryan Reisdorff re: Industrial/Commercial Water Usage Certification Variance Requests - Chappell Feedlot, Terry Madden, Chris Ray, Clean Harbors
18. Memo from Kyle Liebig re: Industrial/Commercial Water Usage Certification - Russ McMillen
19. Memos from Ryan Reisdorff and Kyle Liebig respectively re: Non-Baseline Certification - Bertramson Trust, Sheila Newell
20. Proposed Changes to the District's Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations

21. Memo from Ryan Reisdorff re: Plains Pipeline Fire Suppression Well
 22. Dinklage Feedyards, Inc. information
 23. Hazard Mitigation Plan Identification Worksheets
 24. Information regarding Proposed Airborne Geophysical Mapping Project
 25. Draft revisions to the SPNRD Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations
 26. November 12, 2010 letter from GMA Engineering and Environmental Services re: Nebraska Platte-Republican Resources Area Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)
 27. Amendment #1 to the NARD Flexible Benefits Plan Participation Agreement with attached resolution approved by the NARD Board of Directors on November 8, 2010
 28. Proposed revisions to the District's Cost-Share Program-Special Component Practices
 29. Oliver Reservoir Oil and Gas Lease information from 1997 to present
 30. Lawsuit information: CNPPID Motion to Dismiss; Apelles's Objection to Appellant's Motion to Dismiss Appeal
 31. Former West Sidney Gas Plant WSCP Project-USEPA-Marathon Oil Company
 32. Correspondence: Western Nebraska Observer, "Kimball Rail Spur"; Omaha World Herald, "West to Lose Legislature Seats" and "Zebra Mussels Worry Lakegoers"
 33. Updated SPNRD Board of Directors List for January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011
 34. Directors Per Diem and Expense Form
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2. Call to Order

Chair Rexroth called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Johnson was absent and excused. Biggs notified SPNRD that he would be late.

D. Nebraska Open Meetings Act

Chair Rexroth stated for the record that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted in the meeting room.

E. Legal Notices

Chair Rexroth stated for the record that the affidavits of publication are included with these minutes.

F. Approval of Expenditures

13. *Possible January 2011 Committee Meeting Expenditures for Meals

Burkhart-Kriesel moved and Rutt seconded the motion to approve the January 2011 committee expenses for meals as discussed. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth, Rutt

Nay: None

Absent: Johnson, Biggs (5:17 p.m.)

Motion Carried.

14. Minutes

D. Minutes of the November 9, 2010 meeting of the Board of Directors

These minutes were approved as presented.

E. Minutes of the November 8, 2010 meeting of the Natural Resources/Projects & Programs Committee

These minutes were approved as presented.

F. Minutes of the November 16, 2010 meeting of the Special Board of Directors regarding the Sidney East Critical Area Treatment

These minutes were approved as presented.

15. *Treasurer's Report for November 2010 and Accounts Payable

Horn reviewed account balances as follows:

<u>Account Description</u>	<u>November 1, 2010</u>	<u>November 30, 2010</u>
SPNRD Checking/Repurchase	\$ 296,495.95	\$ 229,241.02
SPNRD Building/Property	\$ 13,013.33	\$ 13,014.93
SPNRD Vehicle/Equipment	\$ 58,253.19	\$ 58,260.82
SPNRD Investments Security First CDs	\$ 301,825.62	\$ 301,825.62
Citizens' Monitoring Committee	\$ 18,025.83	\$ 25,026.43
SPRCC Combined (includes CDs)	\$ 94,568.56	\$ 94,589.41

Horn pointed out that the City of Sidney reimbursed the SPNRD in the amount of \$4,227.50 for the final J.M. Neil invoice for engineering work performed by Norm Koester regarding the Sidney East Critical Area Treatment. Horn reviewed the accounts payable, discussing various items throughout the report, including the 2010 Buffer Strip Program payments. Horn urged the board to ask questions or come at any time to the office and review receipts and/or invoices. He discussed Norm Koester's invoice in the amount of \$1,200.00 for engineering work Norm completed outside the contract with J.M. Neil. The board was in agreement to approve the invoice included with the accounts payable in the Treasurer's Report. It was discussed that NRCS paid Norm's travel and lodging expenses for the Special Board of Directors meeting held November 16, 2010. Burkhart-Kriesel moved and Hutchison seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$110,560.66. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth, Rutt, Halligan
Nay: None
Absent: Johnson, Biggs (5:17 p.m.)
Motion Carried.

16. Public Questions, Comments and/or Concerns
None.

17. Director and Staff Reports

Glanz, Wittrock, Kaiser, Reisdorff and Liebig gave oral reports. Horn, Suhr and Livingstone submitted written reports.

- o Glanz finished reading flow meters. He reported 33 broken flow meters, 3% of the total; 27 Sparling, 5 McCrometer and 1 SeaMetrics. Letters were sent to request power records for broken meters. He is currently working on the usage reports. He also inspected some industrial flow meters and worked on cost-share for industrial meters.
- o Wittrock discussed the SPNRD's Conservation Tree Program, stating that orders are being taken. He read flow meters. For the Chemigation Program, 3 chemigation permits will be denied if the corrections are not made by December 31, 2010. Buffer Strip payment checks are included in the accounts payable. He will follow up with inspections on Buffer Strip contracts. He and other staff brought the signs from Oliver Reservoir and are in the process of revamping them. He and other staff made repairs to the Oliver Reservoir Dam, and removed the yuccas as requested in the latest NDNR Dam Inspection report letter. The grass drills are being used more due to the increase and reenrollment of CRP acres.
- o Kaiser took water levels, water quality samples and surface water samples. He prepared the water level report for tonight's meeting and he and Reisdorff went to Bushnell to look at some wells. He, Liebig, Reisdorff and Horn worked together on the revisions to the District's Districtwide Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations.
- o Reisdorff and Liebig worked on industrial accounting. Reisdorff inspected industrial well locations, went to some meetings regarding the Wellhead Protection Plan for Kimball and worked on various other aspects of the 319 NPS Program. He is also in the process of revising the new 319 NPS grant in order to comply with some requests made by NDEQ. Reisdorff also read flow meters.
- o Liebig worked on the Aerial Geophysical project, the ArcGIS photo program, loaded software on two staff computers that crashed, received the appraisals for the South Platte Valley area and worked on industrial accounting. He also updated job descriptions.

18. Agency Reports

E. USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

2. NRCS Report - Kristin Miller, DC-NRCS

Miller distributed a written report which she reviewed. Of interest was the AWEPP program which she said will be funded this fiscal year. With Anita Nein's retirement, Joe Larson filled the Soil Conservationist position in Sidney. NRCS will advertise to fill the Civil Engineering Technician position vacated by Larson. Attached to her report was a flyer for the Panhandle No-till Partnership Winter Workshops.

F. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD)

4. NARD Report

In Johnson's absence, Horn gave a brief update on some of the NARD activities.

5. NARD 2011 Legislative Conference, January 24-26, 2011, Lincoln, NE

Directors Rutt, Johnson, Halligan and Rexroth are interested in attending the Legislative Conference.

6. *Voting Delegate and Alternate for 2011 NARD Legislative Conference

Halligan made the motion for Jim Johnson to represent the SPNRD as delegate to the 2011 NARD Legislative Conference and Larry Rutt as alternate. Burkhart-Kriesel seconded the motion. With no further nominations a roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Hutchison, Rexroth, Biggs, Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel

Nay: None

Absent: Johnson

Motion Carried.

G. Panhandle Resource Conservation and Development (PRC&D)

2. PRC&D Report

Burkhart-Kriesel was unable to attend the Panhandle RC&D November meeting and there will be no PRC&D meeting in December.

H. Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (NDNR)

2. NDNR Report

Rexroth briefly discussed the NDNR November meeting. The Commission is accepting no new Resources Development Fund (RDF) applications due to funding concerns and a maximum commitment to funding the Commission has already made.

19. Review Fall 2010 Ground Water Level Observation Program Data

Kaiser reviewed the SPNRD Fall 2010 Ground Water Level Observation Program data for one-year, five-year, twenty-year and thirty-year results. Overall, twenty-year results for the entire District show that 75% of the wells have declined. Discussion was held about possible subareas in the tableland areas. Bill Halligan discussed concerns from Bushnell area residents regarding declining water levels in their area. The board discussed keeping the possibilities of new subarea designations on the radar so that they won't be caught off guard. It was also discussed that the tableland recharge happens slowly unlike the quick Brule recharge in the Lodgepole Creek Valley. Kaiser discussed how the 2011 spring levels (which reflect recharge) will be important in making any new or additional determinations.

20. Discuss Special Meeting Concerning the Sidney East Critical Area Treatment

Burkhart-Kriesel led discussion on the special meeting that was held in November concerning the Sidney East Critical Area Treatment. Norm Koester, engineer with J. M. Neil, was present during the November meeting

and gave a beneficial presentation regarding possible options. For future direction, the first step will be the official recommendation from Chris Jensen, NRCS Engineer; which to date has not been received. Nebraska Department of Natural Resources will also need to give their sanction to the project because of the different watersheds involved. Burkhart-Kriesel and the board discussed the importance of not letting the project die; but to keep it moving ahead. Horn discussed that during the July board meeting the request was made that the board evaluates future direction and involvement by the SPNRD concerning this project after the preliminary NRCS engineering recommendations.

21. Committee Reports

A. Natural Resources/Projects & Programs Committee

1. *Action on Proposed Amendment to the Community Forestry Program

Hutchison moved on behalf of the committee and Burkhart-Kriesel seconded the motion to approve the amendment to the SPNRD Community Forestry Program. Discussion was held that with the amendment, cost-share funding would be limited to a maximum of two trees planted and/or removed per private lot and five trees planted and/or removed per public lot allowing funding to be spread among more cooperators. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rexroth, Biggs, Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison

Nay: None

Absent: Johnson

Motion Carried.

2. Matter Regarding Industrial/Commercial Water Usage Certification

a. *Discussion and Action Concerning Baseline Certification(s)

i. Russ McMillen

Hutchison moved on behalf of the committee and Burkhart-Kriesel seconded the motion to approve a baseline of 2,333,334 gallons for the industrial/commercial wells (G-059572 and G-119599) owned by Russ McMillen. Discussion was held that since 2009 all water sold was metered. The staff used data provided by McMillen to determine water usage from 2001 until the flow meter was installed in 2009. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Biggs, Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth

Nay: None

Absent: Johnson

Motion Carried.

b. *Discussion and Action as Desired on Variance Requests to Establish Industrial/Commercial Water Usage Certifications

i. Chappell Feedlot

Hutchison moved on behalf of the committee and Biggs seconded the motion to approve the variance request for the Chappell Feedlot to set their baseline after three years of flow meter data has been collected, with the highest 12-month period as their baseline. It was discussed that they will install two flow meters. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth, Biggs

Nay: None

Absent: Johnson

Motion Carried.

ii. Terry Madden

Hutchison and the committee had no recommendation until further information is provided to the staff.

iii. Chris Ray

Hutchison moved on behalf of the committee and Rutt seconded the motion to approve Chris Ray's variance to install a Dole Control Valve (Valve) on his industrial well, G-123698, in order to reduce the well's pumping capacity to 50 gallons per minute or less, with the following conditions: 1) District staff will have access to check the Valve and ensure it is working properly, a minimum of once every five years; 2) The industrial well, G-123698, will neither qualify nor receive an industrial baseline allocation; 3) This variance will in perpetuity attach to the land and the well (applies to all new owners if the land and well are ever sold); 4) If the Valve becomes inoperative, the well owner will notify the District within 48 hours and an action plan to fix or replace the Valve will be submitted for consideration of approval by the District; and 5) If the Valve is removed, bypassed, or tampered with, a flow meter will be promptly installed and all water pumped from the well thereafter, will be offset by the well owner. The SPNRD Board may also impose any other condition deemed necessary. It was discussed that the well owner's signature will be required on the Variance. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth, Biggs, Rutt
Nay: None
Absent: Johnson
Motion Carried.

iv. Clean Harbors

Hutchison moved on behalf of the committee and Burkhart-Kriesel seconded the motion to approve Clean Harbors' industrial/commercial well (G-077801) variance request to set the baseline in 2012 after three years of flow meter readings, the highest twelve month period of water use will be determined for the baseline; with the provision that SPNRD staff physically read the meter no less than once per year. It was discussed that the flow meter is housed in a secured building and the data is emitted electronically to Clean Harbors' computer weekly. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth, Biggs, Rutt, Halligan
Nay: None
Absent: Johnson
Motion Carried.

c. *Discussion and Action regarding Non-Baseline Certification(s)

i. Bertramson Trust

Hutchison moved on behalf of the committee and Biggs seconded the motion to approve a non-baseline certification for the Bertramson Trust well G-014546. Discussion was held that the Bertramson Trust industrial/commercial well wasn't pumped during the baseline or accounting periods; and the well should remain in temporary deferment. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Hutchison, Rexroth, Biggs, Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel
Nay: None
Absent: Johnson
Motion Carried.

ii. Sheila Newell

Hutchison moved on behalf of the committee and Rutt seconded the motion to approve Sheila Newell's transfer permit application to add a secondary use, commercial/industrial, to her irrigation well G-054269; and approve a non-baseline certification for the well. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rexroth, Biggs, Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison
Nay: None
Absent: Johnson
Motion Carried.

d. *Discussion and Action as Desired Regarding Plains Pipeline Fire Suppression Well

Hutchinson reported that the committee recommended no action on this agenda item until a later meeting when more information was available.

e. Follow-up on Dinklage's Case

Liebig reviewed that during the October 12, 2010 SPNRD Board of Directors meeting, a baseline of nearly 300,000,000 gallons was approved for Dinklage Feedyards, Inc. (Dinklage). The baseline determination was based on information made available to the SPNRD staff through Dinklage power records.

Tim Peetz was present during the committee meeting and discussed the feeding changes Dinklage is planning requiring sorting, additional feed pens and more cattle watering tanks even though overall capacity may not increase. Peetz' concern was offsets if the baseline was exceeded. However, after committee discussion with Peetz, he acknowledged there were various options available to Dinklage including unused irrigation allocations and wells in temporary deferment that could be activated.

3. Discussion on the Hazard Mitigation Plan - Hazard Identification Worksheets

Hutchison reported that the committee discussed the Hazard Mitigation Plan worksheets that were prepared by staff after input from several of the board members and had no problem with the proposed hazard identifications. A copy of the completed form was distributed to the board for their review. Reisdorff requested the board review the worksheets and if they see any problems, to notify him. He will move forward to incorporate the board's worksheets into the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Kristin Miller has an NRCS report which records area disasters that Reisdorff is welcome to review.

4. Review of Proposed Changes to the District's Ground Water Management Area Rules and Regulations

Hutchison and the committee reviewed the proposed changes to the SPNRD GWMA Rules and Regulations. Horn commented briefly on the changes to comply with legislative actions and various program updates along with staff input. If the board has any comments after reviewing the draft, please contact Horn. No action is required at this time.

5. Discuss Proposed Airborne Geophysical Mapping Project

Horn referred to the handout material. He reported that Jim Cannia will be present during the board meeting in January 2011 and discuss this project.

6. Status Report Regarding the Nebraska Platte-Republican Conservation Enhancement Program (CREP)

At this time, the CREP program is being monitored for possible environmental impacts to the SPNRD, including possible additional acres in the Lodgepole Creek Valley and South Platte River.

C. District Operations Committee

1. *Action on the NARD Flexible Benefits Plan-Participation Agreement (Amendment #1)

Halligan moved on behalf of the committee and Burkhart-Kriesel seconded the motion to approve Amendment #1 to the NARD Flexible Benefits Plan-Participation Agreement. It was discussed that new federal laws are the reason for the amendment. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Biggs, Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth
Nay: None

Absent: Johnson
Motion Carried.

2. *Discussion and Action as Desired to Pursue an Oil and Gas Lease at Oliver Reservoir
Halligan discussed that an oil and gas lease that was in effect since 1997 was recently released by Advantage Resources, Inc. The committee recommended staff move forward to seek out possible new leases and bring any information back to the board and committee. No action is necessary at this time.
3. *Re-Visit and Action as Desired on the SPNRD Board's September 2010 Action Concerning a 319 NPS Grant Application
The committee recommended that the final changes be brought before the board and committee. No action is necessary at this time.
4. *Action on Proposed Revisions to the District's Cost-Share Program - Special Component Practices
Halligan moved on behalf of the committee and Burkhart-Kriesel seconded the motion to approve the proposed revisions to the District's Cost-Share Program - Special Component Practices. It was discussed that the following additions were made to the program: flow meter maintenance, replacement and repair; industrial flow meters, maintenance, replacement and repair; and the use of restriction valves. Wording changes were also made. The final copy available tonight incorporates changes discussed during the committee meeting. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Rutt, Halligan, Burkhart-Kriesel, Hutchison, Rexroth, Biggs
Nay: None
Absent: Johnson
Motion Carried.

5. *Action as Desired on Water (Observation) Well Lease Agreement
Halligan and the committee recommended no action at this time. Staff will follow up with further information for the board and committee.
6. Update on Litigation
Halligan reported that the CNPPID lawsuit has been dismissed by the Nebraska Supreme Court. SPNRD legal counsel recommended no legal action to recoup legal fees incurred by the SPNRD.

22. Correspondence
Horn urged the board and staff to read the correspondence in the handout information.

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24. Adjourn
With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Linda L. Suhr, Recording Secretary