



July 26, 2012

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors

Directors Present: Alan Berryman, Lisa Darling, Greg Dewey, Jim Hall, Dennis Harmon and Randy Rhodes; (Wayland Anderson by telephone)

Directors Absent: Kim Hutton and Kevin Urie

Others Present: Jon Altenhofen, Joe Frank, Austin Hamre and Richard Vail; (Deb Freeman and Suzanne Sellers by telephone)

1. CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS

Lisa Darling, President of SPWRAP, called the SPWRAP Board of Directors Meeting to order at 9:05 am at Northern Water. There was a quorum of Directors.

2. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions/changes to the agenda.

3. MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 19, 2012 BOARD MEETING

MOTION: Dennis Harmon moved that the board approve minutes of the April 19, 2012 board meeting. Alan Berryman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the directors present.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

Dennis Harmon reported that it is time to develop the 2013 budget. Joe Frank presented the January 1, 2012 through July 25, 2012 financials as well as the independent auditor's report. Dennis Harmon and Joe Frank reported that the transition of bookkeeping to Lower South Platte Water Conservancy District (Lower) is working well. Joe Frank said the following bill needed to be paid:

- Duncan, Ostrander and Dingess for legal services – \$273.75

MOTION: Greg Dewey moved that the board approve payment of the bill listed in the financial report. Dennis Harmon seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the directors present.

PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM (PRRIP) ACTIVITIES

5. UPDATE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Beorn Courtney of the Executive Director's Office (ED Office) provided the following update by email regarding the PRRIP Water Plan:

J-2 Reregulation Reservoir

- The PRRIP and Nebraska DNR project sponsorship agreement with CNPPID (outlining terms including cost distribution) is still in progress.
- An RFP for engineering review of the feasibility report was issued and the project was awarded to RJH Consultants out of Englewood, CO. The engineering review will be completed by end of 2012.

Nebraska Groundwater Recharge

- The final Phelps Canal pilot project report was issued with recommendations for long-term project implementation.
- Second year of Phelps canal recharge being planned for winter 2012/2013. An agreement w/ CNPPID is being finalized, a monitoring plan is being prepared by the ED Office, and CNPPID has applied for a temporary permit to recharge excess flows.
- GC established a project scoring committee to address policy questions related to developing a long-term Water Action Plan project score for Phelps Canal Recharge.
- ED Office working with Central Platte NRD on a lease associated with recharge options under different canals.

Nebraska Water Leasing

- ED Office working with Nebraska DNR, Central Platte NRD, and NPPD on a variety of water leasing opportunities.

North Platte Choke Point

- ED Office working with Water Advisory Committee workgroup on institutional and engineering approaches to achieving 3,000 cfs capacity at North Platte.
- An RFP has been issued for "Surveying, Engineering, and Permitting for North Platte Flood Proofing Projects" to investigate 3 floodproofing projects, contractor selection should be made later this week.

COLORADO ISSUES

6. UPDATE ON FINALIZATION OF TAMARACK DECREE AND RECHARGE PROJECT LITIGATION

Richard Vail reported that the Tamarack Decree was finalized last week. He will email it to the board. Jon Altenhofen reported that the accounting forms still need to be finalized. The Tamarack Decree holds a distinction of being one of the longest running substitute water supply plans in Colorado (16 years in the making).

7. PAWNEE CREEK RESERVOIR FILING IN DISTRICT 64

This item was postponed for discussion, and the board took no action.

SPWRAP ADMINISTRATIVE AND CORPORATE ISSUES

8. UPDATE ON USFWS PERMITTING / STREAMLINED PROCESS

Deb Freeman reported that delays in some individual consultations are primarily the result of the USFWS requesting more information on individual project descriptions and not due to concerns related to species effects or coverage by the PRRIP. If applicants are getting delayed, please contact Deb Freeman and Kevin Urie for advice in expediting the applications.

9. OFFSETS FOR DEPLETIONS FROM FRACKING (HYDRAULIC FRACTURING)

This item was postponed for discussion, and the board took no action.

10. POLICY FOR MEMBERS PULLING OUT AND REJOINING

This item was postponed for discussion, and the board took no action.

11. DISCUSSION REGARDING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION

This item was postponed for discussion, and the board took no action.

12. DU-SPWRAP WINTERHAVEN AGREEMENT

Austin Hamre mentioned the Winterhaven Recharge Project and will work with Greg Kernohan of Ducks Unlimited to finalize an agreement for consideration by the board.

13. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.
Next Meeting of the Board of Directors
September 20, 2012, 9 am
Northern Water

Respectfully submitted,



Greg Dewey
Secretary, SPWRAP, Inc.