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April 18, 2013

The Board of Directors of the East Dakota Water Development District (EDWDD) held a regular meeting on April 18, 2013, at the South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems (SDARWS), 203 Center Street West, Madison. Chairman Jarrett called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. The following persons attended:

Directors Present

Mark Anderson
Lois Brown
Gary Duffy
Martin Jarrett
Kay Kassube
John Moes
Roger Scheibe
Jerry Soholt

Others Present

Dan Carlson, SD Association of Rural Water Systems
Dennis Davis, SD Association of Rural Water Systems
Roger Hageman, Lake County Commission
Roberta Janke, Lake County
Jesse Johnson, SD Corn
John Maursetter, Lake County
Jan Nicolay, Lake County Clean Water Committee

Directors Absent

Mary Ellen Connelly

Staff Present

Kevin Christenson
Jay Gilbertson

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Administrative Items

Approval of Agenda - The Manager requested two changes to the meeting agenda. He asked to have the SD DENR Water Resources Assistance Program presentation dropped as the presenter, Jim Feeney, was unable to attend. He asked to have discussion of a memorandum to Regional Watershed Advisory Task Force added under Project Updates.

Motion by Scheibe, seconded by Soholt to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes - The Board reviewed the Minutes of the March 21, 2013, meeting.

Motion by Moes, seconded by Soholt to approve the Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports - The Board reviewed the March 2013 Financial Report.

Motion by Scheibe, seconded by Soholt to accept the March 2013 Financial Report. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Jarrett then asked that the report be placed in the District files.

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The Manager requested that the Board revise the minimum dollar value amount of the capitalization threshold for fixed assets that are placed on the depreciable assets schedule. The current minimum amount is \$500, and he requested that this amount be raised to \$1,000.

Motion by Kassube, seconded by Duffy to raise the minimum dollar value amount for fixed assets that are placed on the depreciable assets schedule to \$1,000 as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

Report of Meetings and Conferences - Director Anderson reported on the April 3rd meeting of the City of Sioux Falls Infrastructure Review Advisory Board.

Director Kassube attended the Missouri River Institute Research Symposium in Vermillion on April 4th and the SD Non-Point Source Task Force meeting in Sioux Falls on April 8th.

Director Moes reported on the Lake Pelican Water Project District Annual Meeting held in Watertown on April 17th.

Director Scheibe reported on the March 15th meeting of the Technical Steering Committee for the Central Big Sioux River Watershed Project in Sioux Falls.

The Manager briefly commented on the following meetings he attended:

1. March 27 & 28 - Pierre. South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources.
2. April 2 - Clear Lake. Brookings-Deuel Rural Water System Annual Meeting.
3. April 4 - Pierre. SDARWS Board of Directors.
4. April 8 - Sioux Falls. South Dakota Non-Point Source Task Force.
5. April 15 - Madison. SDARWS Quality On Tap magazine editorial board.
6. April 16 - DeSmet. Kingsbury County Commission.

Upcoming Meetings -

1. **April 22 - 9:00 a.m.** - Ramada Inn, Mitchell. Regional Watershed Advisory Task Force.
2. **April 24 - 7:00 p.m.** - University Center Rapid City, Rapid City. Dakota Water Watch informational meeting.
3. **April 26 - 9:00 a.m.** - SD Discovery Center, Pierre. 1st Annual Envirothon.
4. **April 30 & May 1** - Ramkota Event Center, Watertown. SDARWS Managers Group Meeting.
5. **May 6 - 11:00 a.m.** - Watertown. Lake Area Technical Institute Environmental Technology Program Advisory Board.
6. **May 7 - 9:30 a.m.** - South Dakota State University, Brookings. 21st Annual Big Sioux Water Festival.
7. **May 15 - 2:00 p.m. (MST)** - Rapid City. West Dakota WDD Board of Directors.
8. **May 16 - 9:00 a.m.** - EDWDD Office, Brookings. May EDWDD Board of Directors Meeting.

Payment Requests - *South Dakota State University* - The Manager presented the Board with a payment request from South Dakota State University. In October 2011, the District agreed to provide \$60,438 in cost-share assistance to South Dakota State University (SDSU) for a research project entitled, "Agricultural Subsurface Drainage Impacts on Hydrology in Eastern South Dakota." The request is for project expenses for March 2013, totaling \$2,002.92.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Duffy to authorize payment of \$2,002.92 for the “Agricultural Subsurface Drainage Impacts on Hydrology in Eastern South Dakota” project as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

Lake County Commission - At the October 2010 meeting, the Board agreed to award \$45,000 in District cost-share assistance, to be distributed in three annual payments of \$15,000, to Lake County in support of their environmental education and compliance position. The County requested the first payment of \$15,000 in December 2010, to cover 2011 expenses, and the second payment in July 2012 to cover 2012 costs. The County has submitted a request for the third and final payment of \$15,000 to cover 2013 expenses for the effort.

Motion by Duffy, seconded by Kassube to authorize payment of \$15,000 to Lake County as requested. The Manager noted that this action would complete the District’s obligation to this effort. Motion carried unanimously, with Chairman Jarrett abstaining.

South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems

Dan Carlson, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems (SDARWS), and Dennis Davis, SDARWS Executive Director, presented a briefing on the role and functions of the Association.

District Projects & Activities Updates

2013 Water Quality/Water Quantity Field Work - Kevin Christenson, District Project Specialist, reviewed the plans for the coming field season, touching on the water quality sampling and stream and river discharge measurements the District staff will be engaged in in support of several projects.

Slip Up Creek Mitigation - The Manager explained that in May 2008, the District entered into an agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the City of Sioux Falls and Menard, Incorporated, as part of a wetland mitigation action required following the construction of the Menard’s store on East 10th Street in Sioux Falls. The District’s role involved annual inspections of a portion of a Slip Up Creek where various riparian restoration activities took place as part of the mitigation agreement. He noted that in late February he received notice from USEPA that the Administrative Order under which the mitigation was required has been closed, and the District’s role has been completed.

Proposed Administrative Rules of South Dakota 74:05:05 Changes - The Manager reviewed changes that have been proposed for the Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) that address the definition of water development district director areas. He noted that the proposed changes to ARSD 74:05:05:20, which covers the District, involve only name changes to four Sioux Falls voting districts. The configuration of the voting districts are not changing. It is expected that the SD Board of Water and Natural Resources will consider the changes later in the year.

Regional Watershed Advisory Task Force Memorandum - The Manager reviewed with the Board set of eight (8) suggested changes to South Dakota Codified Law Chapter 46A-10A (County Drainage) that he intended to present to the Regional Watershed Advisory Task Force at it’s meeting in Mitchell on April 22nd. He said that the suggestions were intended to serve as a starting point for discussion by the Task Force, in advance of the development of any actual Task Force-sponsored legislation for the 2014 Legislative Session. He

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noted that most of the proposed changes are variations on concepts brought forward previously as part of either House Bill 1001, **An Act to provide for the establishment of waters management districts, to revise certain drainage policies and responsibilities, and to dissolve or convert certain water-related special purpose districts**, proposed in 1998, or Senate Bill 179, **An Act to provide for a uniform county drainage permit application form and to remove the maximum limit for drainage permit fees**, from the 2013 legislative session. The Board reviewed and discussed the recommendations, and concurred that they would be a good starting for further discussion and action by the Task Force.

Adjournment

There being no further District business, Chairman Jarrett declared the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Roger Scheibe, Secretary

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