



Nebraska WARN

Board of Directors

March 17th, 2014
5:30 pm

Heartland Event Center
North Side Dinning Area
Grand Island, Nebraska

Board of Directors:

- Eric Melcher – Chairman
- Dennis Watts – Vice Chairman
- Ken Swanson – Secretary
- Chuck Schmid – Treasurer
- Jim Green
- Bob Smith
- Cope Clark
- Pat Davidson
- Doug Pollack
- Don Christen

Advisory Committee:

- Lash Chaffin, Rich Koenig, Randy Hellbusch, Rob Pierce, Kristin Luebbe, Larry Andreason, Jackie Stumpff, Harold Reynolds, Earl Imler

AGENDA:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUMMARY</u>	<u>RESOURCE</u>	
1.	Call meeting to Order	Eric Melcher	
2.	Adopt Agenda	March 17 th , 2014 - NEWARN Agenda	Eric Melcher
3.	Consider approval of the minutes.	November 7 th , 2013 - NEWARN Meeting Minutes	Eric Melcher
4.	Treasurers Report	Revenue and Expenses Update including other pending Invoices, Etc.,	Chuck Schmid
5.	News Letter Committee	2014 NEWARN News Letter update/discussion	Ken Swanson/Kristin Luebbe
6.	Web-Site Update	Corrections or additions to the Web-Site (Field Area, Emergency Request Tab, Non-Emergency Request Tab	Dennis Watts
7.	NEWARN Presentations	Update on NeRWA Conference Presentation – Grand Island NE. / Workshops, Conferences, etc., North Platte – Sutherland – Valentine	Eric Melcher
8.	Member Communities	Update on Number of Member Communities _____.	Dennis Watts
9.	NEWARN Sponsors	Update on Current Sponsors and Associate Sponsors (Are all listed on Web Site)	Cope Clark / Dennis Watts
10.	Board of Director Terms	Consider among other suggestions – 3 year terms with the number of Members per term being 4 Members, 3 Members and 4 Members all being 3 year terms. Discussion, Tom Menke potential Board Member for Allen Boyd; 1Year Term Ken, Bob, Pat and Doug up for re-election – 3 year term?	Eric Melcher
11.	Virginia Chemical Spill	How would NEWARN respond to a similar type of emergency if the event were to occur in Nebraska – What could we do to provide necessary tools to be of assistance? Ideas...	Board Members
12.	Miscellaneous:		
13.	Next NEWARN Board Meeting:	April / May – Location TBD	Board Members
14.	Adjournment:		

A Meeting was held as scheduled for NEWARN on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. In conjunction with the NSAWWA Annual Conference located at the Younes Center, Kearney, Nebraska.

Present were three board members and two advisory. Eric Melcher, Ken Swanson, Dennis Watts, Harold Reynolds and Rich Koenig. There weren't enough Board Members present to establish a quorum so we continued the meeting for discussion purposes only with regard to the items on the agenda (no formal action was taken).

Items of discussion are as follows:

1. We talked about more representation from the western part of the state with Pat Heath-Gering and Milo Rust-Chadron being possible nominees for the next NEWARN Election. We talked about ways to involve the western area of the state as far as meetings etc. We will continue to try and include conference calling at a minimum at each meeting, possibly trying to do something such as Skype or use windows links to help members that are unable to attend the Board Meetings; by providing the ability to attend the meetings by conference call or other media.
2. It was discussed and consider to possibly do more blast emails, to include (1)information regarding workshops/meeting coming up whether it be NeRWA , NSAWWA, Midwest Assistance Program or other State and Supportive Organizations - as in Norfolk's case we could use the zip code and send out the blast email to everybody within a 50 mile radius to help remind and/or alert Community Utility Operators of the upcoming opportunity for Education and CEU's. We can also use blast emails to remind operators to consider overflowing water storage tanks to help eliminate the potential for coliform positive samples regarding the dusty environment during fall harvest, etc,. By sending blast e-mails to NEWARN Members, it may help keep NEWARN in the forefront of their minds for other possible necessary assistance available through NEWARN.
3. We also discussed, we would like to get a NEWARN Newsletter out by March of 2014, if you do have any type of news articles you would like to put in the newsletter please send these to Ken Swanson kswanson@auburnne.net.
4. At our next meeting we will try to bring laptops and go over how to navigate the NEWARN Web-Site in an effort to provide Board Members with the information necessary to assist with future NEWARN Presentations in addition to considering future presentation options.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dennis Watts

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**NEWARN – Board of Directors
Nomination Form**

Below you will see a Nomination Form for the NEWARN Board of Directors. You have until February 15, 2013, to return this nomination form to Eric Melcher at waterdept@cityofaurora.org or Dennis Watts at dwatts@ci.norfolk.ne.us.

The nomination form includes the following seven names that are up for re-election to the NEWARN Board of Directors via the nomination process.

You may vote for up to 6 persons:

Eric “Rick” Melcher, City of Aurora

Dennis Watts, City of Norfolk

Jim Green, Village of McCool Junction

Don Christen, City of Burwell

Cope Clark, City of Pierce

Chuck Schmid, City of St. Paul

Please return your nomination form to: Eric “Rick” Melcher at waterdept@cityofaurora.org or Dennis Watts at dwatts@ci.norfolk.ne.us or by USPS at City of Aurora, Attn: Eric Melcher, 905 13th Street, Aurora, Nebraska 68818

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Ballot
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You may vote for up to 6 persons:

_____ *Ken Swanson, City of Auburn*

_____ *Bob Smith, City of Grand Island*

_____ *Doug Pollack, City of Seward*

_____ *Pat Davidson, City of Imperial*
