

NEWARN Minutes from Thursday, June 28,2012

The NEWARN meeting was held June 28th, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the League of Nebraska Municipalities Utility Office in Lincoln, Nebraska

Board members present were Eric Melcher, Jim Green, Bob Smith, Cope Clark, Ken Swanson and Dennis Watts via phone. Advisory Committee members present were Harold Reynolds, Rob Pierce and Rich Koenig and special guest was Steve Hecker LARM Loss Control Manager.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rick Melcher.

Motion was made by Jim Green to adopt the agenda and Bob Smith 2nd. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the previous meeting's minutes in regard to amended changes needed to be made to the wording on the Insurance and Indemnification Statement. After review and discussion of the March 20th, 2012 meeting minutes there was a motion to amend the minutes to read as follows: The NEWARN Board of Directors have reconsidered the language of the NEWARN Agreement with regard to the Insurance and Indemnification portions of the agreement and have no problem with the current NEWARN Agreement. In addition, all of the Member Communities have reviewed the NEWARN Agreement and have agreed with the Terms and Conditions of the NEWARN Agreement. Bob Smith made the motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes with the amended changes to the wording of the Insurance and Indemnification statements, 2nd by Jim Green. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was given by Chairman Melcher. Current fund is \$1996.56 and there were no outstanding bills. Jim Green made the motion to accept the treasurer's report and it was 2nd by Ken Swanson . Motion carried .

Discussion was held on next year's news letter. If anyone has any events or emergency assistance given to report forward the information to Allan Boyd or Ken Swanson for the news letter.

Quite a lengthy discussion was held on a workshop that is going to be held in Norfolk on August 21st dealing with how to coordinate emergency efforts in the event that Norfolk would be struck by a F5 tornado and much of the city wiped out. It is hoped that if possible everyone should try to attend so if anything like this happens to your community you will have a better handle on how to deal with such a disaster. Dennis Watts via phone talked about this and Rich Koenig filled us in on a lot of the details. While on the line Dennis also reported that the website had 179 visits and we have two new member communities, Plainview and LaVista.

Plans are to have NEWARN presentations and a booth at the NERWA fall conference at Gering and the AWWA convention in November.

Cope Clark reported that we have two new Sponsors, Midlands Contracting Inc. and Team Chemical. HDR had renewed their sponsorship.

Discussion on Board Member terms was tabled until next meeting.

The next meeting date will be determined later whether to have it before or at the Norfolk workshop on August 21st.

Motion to adjourn was made by Cope Clark and 2nd by Jim Green. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Swanson, NEWARN Secretary.