

NEWARN Board of Directors

Meeting Sept 10 2015 10 @Aurora City Hall

Board Members present were Dennis Watts, Ken Swanson, and Doug Pollak.

Chairman Watts called the meeting to order but there wasn't enough members present for a Quorum.

Dennis discussed the conference calls procedures along with potential new member Kevin Fenniggen of Pilger.

Darrell Egli and Adam Darbro City of Aurora, Board members discussed trying to get the City Lincoln to join Newarn but was reluctant to do so. We have reached out to Lincoln in the past but they have declined to join. The members that were present felt it would not be worthwhile to try and continue to have Lincoln join. We touched base with our expenditures which was 0 and a balance as of September 10, 2015, \$276.63.

Dennis then gave the web site report. The number web site visits were 684 at an average of 1 minute and 8 seconds. The number of member communities was then reconfirmed at 176.

NEWARN board members discussed the election of officers. Discussion included the possibility of adding more board members. Current board members sits at 7.

Eric Melcher was present as an advisor.

Dennis discussed attending the National Chair in Bethesda Maryland Oct 16, 2015.

Dennis sent out a tabletop exercise to board members scheduled in Kansas City on Oct 20th.

Dennis went over the EPA WARN UPDATES and Accomplishments Report from other States, discussing the web site which was consistent with the State of Nebraska.

Dennis went over the Update Report discussing the private organizations to join Newarn, and adding new members. It was felt by all that we do not want to look at private membership for now.

Miscellaneous discussion was touched upon dealing with increasing the number of utilities to join Newarn.

Vendors and contractors was discussed as potential memberships. E-mailing Members prior to the meeting was discussed as a solution to having more members present to the meetings. Dennis will plan on blast emailing agenda and minutes if possible. A discussing was held on having the Advisory Board more involved.

Next discussion was on future sponsored events that Newarn should participate in. Revisions to Newarn website was discussed and cleaned up. Review and revised the Mutual Aide agreement was discussed.

The next meeting would be held at the AWWA Conference in Kearney. Time and date to be announced in the future.