

Minutes

IDDA Board of Directors

November, 15, 2012

Pocahontas County Courthouse

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Vice President Myron Amdahl. Other board members present were Paul Beneke, Don McGregor, Ken Chalstrom and Ron Smith. Also present was executive director John Torbert.

The minutes of the 9/19/2012 board meeting were approved as presented on motion by Chalstrom and second by Beneke.

Financial reports through the end of October were reviewed. So far, we have expended 33.84% of our budgeted expense and received 76.38% of budgeted income. John reported that he is not seeing any problem areas at this time. The financial reports were accepted on motion by Smith and second by McGregor.

The board reviewed the membership reports. All counties from our 2012 membership list have rejoined. Louisa County is a new county.

John reviewed the CFS report. He shared with the board the financials through the end of October. He also reported that IDDA did receive the approval from the state to manage the CFS program for three more years with three - one year options beyond that. John reported that we have not yet finalized the new contract with but hope to do so by December 1st.

FEMA/DNR issue. John reviewed the progress on the issue to date. The interested parties including drainage interests, DNR, Iowa Homeland Security, Corps of Engineers, FEMA, the Governor's office and Senator Grassley's office met on Oct. 18th in Des Moines. As a result of that meeting, conversations are ongoing between drainage interests and FEMA, Scott Power is representing the drainage side at this time. So far, the issue has not been finally resolved.

John reported that there will be two sessions on the state nutrient reduction strategy at our annual conference and that the issue will be a very important one for drainage.

By -laws amendment - John reviewed the bylaws amendment that the membership will vote at the annual meeting in December. The amendment is as follows -

The Board, at its ~~first meeting of each calendar year~~ annual budget discussion and approval for the next fiscal year shall, upon the recommendation of the executive director, ~~appoint~~ designate an secretary/treasurer external public accounting firm.

The ~~secretary/treasurer~~ public accounting firm shall have the responsibility for maintaining all of the financial and investment records of the corporation, processing payroll, filing the appropriate tax forms and ~~keeping minutes of all Board of Directors meetings~~, and other such duties as may be required by the Executive Director or the Board of Directors.

Lobbying Contract - John reported that Mike Wentzien had resigned as lobbyist for IDDA. John has been in contact with Mona Bond who will serve in that capacity for 2013. Her fee will be the same as that paid to Mr. Wentzien - \$1,500.

Meeting with Missouri River trustees - John reported that he is still looking for a legislative bill draft from this group.

Annual meeting - John reviewed the program for the annual meeting.

Legal update - Not a great deal to report. As of yet, no appeal on the Calhoun County railroad case. The New Farmers case will be heard in Monona County sometime next year.

Nominating committee report - Myron Amdahl reported that the committee is recommending that Don McGregor, Ken Chalstrom and Paul Beneke retain their seats on the IDDA board.

Myron Amdahl also reported that he will no longer be county supervisor in January and accordingly is resigning his seat on the board effective December 31st, 2012.

The next IDDA board meeting will be on Wednesday, January 30, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Torbert
Executive Director