

**Nevada Water Resources Association  
Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
June 4, 2009  
Nevada Division of Water Resources  
Carson City & Las Vegas offices  
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

1. **Roll Call:** Jay Dixon, Ed James, Michael Johnson, Steve King, Dan Netcher, Mike Widmer, Mike Hardy, Jeff Johnson, Jay Fischer, Rick Felling, Lari Knochenmus, Tina Triplett, Dave Wathen, Bill Listerud

**Not Present:** Tracy Taylor, Mark Forest, Ken Lykens, Dylan Frehner

2. **Review and Approval of March 5, 2009 Minutes**

The Board reviewed, motioned, and approved the March 5, 2009 minutes as is.

3. **Financial Status**

Mike Hardy stated that there is \$47,940.50 in the bank as of May 31, 2009 which includes \$10,604 for the Tahoe Symposium. There is \$1200.00 outstanding from Acteva from the Advanced Water Rights Class and the Well Drillers Workshop.

Mike provided an overview of the 2009 Profit & Loss reports per event. Each event to date has shown a profit. There is approximately \$300 outstanding to be paid for the hotel rooms for the Well Drillers Workshop instructors. The invoice is forthcoming.

Ed James suggested that the reports be printed in landscape format.

Mike Widmer made a motion to approve the financial status as presented which was seconded by Bill Listerud. All were in favor.

4. **Membership Renewal Status**

**Discussion of membership renewals by Tina Triplett:**

The 2009 membership renewal income to date is \$21784.45. The Board agreed not to increase the renewal rates for 2010. The renewal flyers will be distributed the first week of October.

5. **NWRA Past Events – Debrief**

- a. **Truckee River Tour, April 23-24, 2009**-The Tour was a huge success and Janet did a great job! The bus was full with 2 people on the waiting list. Janet would like to host this Tour again next year and the Board agreed that NWRA would need to collect the 25% pass thru fees for overhead costs.

- b. **Advanced Water Rights Class, May 6, 2009 at the Washoe County Department of Water Resources in Reno-** The class was a huge success! There were 49 attendees. They decided that the class time should be increased 2 hours to allow more time for questions.
- c. **Well Drillers Workshop, May 7, 2009 at the Washoe County Department of Water Resources in Reno-** Michael Johnson and Jay Dixon did an excellent job with a great program! They had a very diverse group of attendees and had to cover a lot of topics. They would like to increase the class time by 1 hour. Overall the event was a success and we are already planning the next Workshop.

## 6. Upcoming Events

- **Northern Nevada Dinner Forum, August 12, 2009** will be held at the Peppermill Hotel & Casino in Reno, Nevada.
- **Southern Nevada Dinner Forum, September 22, 2009** will be held at the Golden Nugget in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- **Well Drillers Workshop, September 23, 2009** will be held at the Henderson Convention Center in Henderson, Nevada.
- **Truckee River Symposium, November 3-5, 2009** will be held at the Desert Research Institute in Reno, NV. The Truckee River Flood Project has taken the lead with the Truckee River Symposium Tour that is scheduled for November 5, 2009.
- **Water Rights Class, November 12, 2009** will be held at the Library in Yerington, Nevada.
- **Advanced Water Rights Class, November 13, 2009** will also be held at the Library in Yerington, Nevada.
- **2010 Tahoe Science Conference, March 16-17, 2010** will be held at the Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences in Incline Village, Nevada.
- **2010 NWRA Annual Conference, March 2-4, 2010** will be held at the Golden Nugget in Las Vegas, Nevada.

## 7. NWRA Future Events Discussion

- Tina has suggested that NWRA host a Water Rights and Advanced Water Rights Class the same week of the 2010 Annual Conference at the Golden Nugget in Las Vegas, Nevada. These classes have not yet been held in Southern Nevada and there will not be a cost for the meeting rooms. The Board agreed. Michael Johnson gave Tina the names of some Southern Nevada associations to contact to distribute event announcements.
- Michael Johnson believes that there is a need for a Well Maintenance Groundwater Modeling Workshop and that NWRA has the resources to put the class together. He has suggested that Rick Felling could possible help with this.
- There was discussion about a Domestic Wells education class and the need for it. Mike Widmer has volunteered to organize a 3 hour class and bring it back to the Board for a possible 2010 event.

- Jeff Johnson has suggested that NWRA host a 2-3 day Symposium on Solar Energy/Alternative Energy. The Board discussed different options for the content of the Symposium and Jeff has volunteered to investigate this topic further and put together notes for the next meeting. Michael Johnson would like to see the event held in Las Vegas for easy access for travelers.

#### **8. Tahoe Science Conference agreement**

Steve King updated the Board on his idea of an event agreement for outside events. He has suggested that NWRA form a policy for groups that will run an event through NWRA. The Board agreed that this is a good idea and Steve will formulate a policy. He will provide the Board with a draft copy at the next Board meeting.

#### **9. Miscellaneous**

- a. Rick Felling would like Tina to compare the 2005 Truckee River Symposium registration rates with the 2009 Truckee River Symposium registration rates. He believes that the rates may be too high for attendees to be able to afford. Tina will get these rates together and give the information to the Board.
- b. Jay Fischer has been approached by Johnson Screens about being interested in becoming more involved in NWRA events. Tina will add them to the list of possible sponsors for the 2010 Annual Conference and to the NWRA master mailing list. All event announcements will be sent to them.
- c. Mike Widmer will have his first edition of the NWRA Technical Journal posted on the website in July. 3 articles are ready and the fourth is in progress.
- d. There was discussion about offering the project of the year awards at the 2010 Annual Conference. The 2010 planning committee has recommended that this part of the program be cancelled. The Board has decided to cancel these awards for the 2010 Conference.
- e. The Board will submit ideas for the 2010 Lifetime Achievement Award to Tina by email and has voted to exclude this topic from the meeting minutes.

**10.** The next meeting date will be September 22, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

#### **11. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Minutes by Tina Triplett 6/9/2009