



East Dakota Water Development District

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## MINUTES

April 9, 2008

The Board of Directors of the East Dakota Water Development District (EDWDD) held a special meeting on April 9, 2008 at the EDWDD office in Brookings. Chairman Eggers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following persons attended:

### Directors Present

Lois Brown  
Curt Eggers  
Doug Feten  
Martin Jarrett  
Kay Kassube  
Robert Todd  
John Weidler

### Others Present

none

### Staff Present

Jay Gilbertson

## Administrative Items

Approval of Agenda - The Manager asked to have one item added to the Agenda - nominating petitions filed for the current Board vacancies. **Motion** by Jarrett, seconded by Brown to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Matters - **Motion** by Todd, seconded by Feten to go into executive session at 7:05 p.m. for the purpose of discussing District personnel matters. Motion carried unanimously. **Motion** by Feten, seconded by Todd to come out of executive session at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Eggers noted that the Board took no formal actions during the executive session.

## Nomination Petitions for Vacant Director Positions

The Manager reviewed the status of the current vacancies on the Board of Directors. March 25<sup>th</sup> was the deadline, established by the Board at its February 2008 meeting, for filing petitions for the current vacancies in Rural Director Area 1 and Municipal Director Area 2. He noted that three petitions had been received from people seeking to be appointed as the Director from Municipal Area 2: Vincent Flemming - Florence, Pat Gilligan - Estelline and Jerry Siegel, Brookings. All three petitions have been determined to be valid. Only one petition was received for the Rural Director Area 1 vacancy, filed by John Johnson of rural Florence. However, Mr. Johnson did not submit his petition until March 26<sup>th</sup>.

The Manager asked that the Board to accept the petition by Mr. Johnson. He noted that Mr. Johnson was the only person that he is aware of who expressed any interest in the position and the only person who circulated a nominating petition. He stated that in this case, the filing deadline was not mandated by law, but set by the Board. Consequently, they were free to amend their decision. **Motion** by Kassube, seconded by Weidler to accept the petition from John Johnson filed on March 26<sup>th</sup>. The Manager said that this action did not

constitute appointment of Mr. Johnson. That decision would be made at the April Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

There being no further District business, Chairman Eggers declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Doug Feten, Secretary