The annual meeting of the Association members was called to order by President Tonny Beck at 12:40 p.m. Twenty five members and others were in attendance.

Lee Orton, Executive Director, read the minutes of the members meeting for February, 2014. The minutes were approved on motion by Preister and second by Wiles.

Orton reviewed the revenue, expense and balance sheet numbers for the 2014 operating year taken from the Annual Audit report. A copy of the Audit Report is attached to the file copy of the Executive Board of Directors meeting for February 12, 2015. The report showed receipts of $200,471.98 and disbursements of $137,685.09 and a balance on December 31, 2014 of $102,812.13. Motion to receive the report was made by Taylor and seconded by Williams and was carried.

No chairman of the Condolence Committee being present Beck called for information on the death of industry members in 2014. Al Ingram and Ralph Cadwalladar were reported by those present. Beck asked for a moment of silence for those individual.

Beck introduced Steve Anderson of Merrill Manufacturing who gave a power point presentation on Congressional legislation described as "The Water Supply Savings Act" intended to provide for the support of private water well systems as an alternative to traditional "long pipeline" systems for supplying domestic water across America. The presentation complete those present posed several questions and it was noted that the Association has traditionally support similar proposals in the past and would continue to do so. Orton noted that Anderson has been asked to provide an article to appear in Water Writes regarding current legislative plans and actions requested from the Association and members of the Nebraska water well industry.

Beck and Orton reviewed the nominations for Officers and Directors set for election at this 2015 meeting. A copy of the nomination proposal was reviewed. Orton called for floor nominations as provided in the Association bylaws. None were suggested and a motion to close nominations and to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees was made by Dave Downey and seconded by Rex Paul. Motion carried. Elected were: Cody Christensen, President. Tony Beck, Vice President. Secretary, Brent Downey. Treasurer, Joe Holly. Director for District 1, Jim Remmenga. Director for District 2, Bob Metz. Director at Large, Mike Whitesel.

General discussion related to (1) enhancements of member attendance at the annual members meeting which included allowing CEU credit for attendance and selecting a better time schedule for the meeting. The Board agreed to consider these and other options; and (2) consideration of other ways to publicize the convention and provide for registration details, including, but not limited to discontinue the use of the Water Writes magazine special convention issue and replacement with a post card announcing the meeting and providing for registration, the use of email to solicit attendance and other ideas. The Board agreed to visit other options and implement other choices for convention publicity; and (3) consider reducing membership fees given the current financial status and consider other economic returns to member, which the Board dismissed recognizing that a sound economic position is a paramount goal to assure long term economic viability.
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Lee Orton, Recorder

Attachments:   Election nomination ballot
                Publication “Support the Savings Act”