



New Mexico Rural Water Association
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, PA
September 26, 2007

Committee Members Present:

Clarence Aragon, President
Ivan Roper, Vice-President
Ray Leverich, Secretary / Treasurer
Jim Dunlap, National Director
Keith Lee, Past President
John L. Jones, Legislative Chair
Patrick Banegas, Director
Debra L. Ingle, Director

Committee Members Absent:

None

Guests Present:

Matthew Holmes
Andrew Sweetman
Gavin Strathdee
Ophelia Gonzales
Karen Bray

I. Call to Order

President Clarence Aragon called the meeting to order at 3:42 pm.

II. Approval of Agenda

Ivan Roper moved to approve the agenda
John L. Jones seconded the motion
Motion carried unanimously

III. Approval of Minutes – June 22, 2007

Jim Dunlap moved to approve the minutes as submitted
John L. Jones seconded the motion
Gavin Strathdee questioned a sentence regarding the John Paden Scholarship:
“Paperwork is currently filed at the State and is awaiting approval.”
President Clarence Aragon suggested that this agenda item be placed on the table
until it could be clarified by Ray Leverich, Secretary / Treasurer

IV. Executive Director’s Report

Matthew Holmes, Executive Director reported on the following items:

- New NMRWA Online Discussion Forum
- Potential Conference Sponsorship from RCAC
- Potential changes to the 40 Year Water Plan statute

V. Executive Session – Limited to Personnel Matters

Ray Leverich moved to enter Executive Session
Patrick Banegas seconded the motion



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ROLL CALL:	Clarence Aragon-aye	Ivan Roper-aye
	John Jones-aye	Ray Leverich-aye
	Keith Lee-aye	Jim Dunlap-aye
	Debra Ingle-aye	Patrick Banegas-aye

ATTEST: President Clarence Aragon attested that only personnel matters were discussed in the Executive Session.

VI. Approval of Staff Salary Recommendations

John L. Jones moved to accept the Executive Director's salary recommendations, as reflected in the Association's personnel records

Ivan Roper seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

John L. Jones moved to increase the Executive Director's salary level by \$5,000

Ray Leverich seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

VII. Approval of Online Banking / Checking Account Investment Sweep

Matthew Holmes, Executive Director presented information and paperwork on online banking and a checking account sweep for the Association.

John L. Jones moved to accept the Executive Director's recommendations and authorize online banking and a checking account sweep for all NMRWA accounts

Jim Dunlap seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

VIII. Legislative & Regulatory Issues

The Executive Committee discussed the following legislative issues:

- Bureau of Reclamation funding
- Office of Water Infrastructure
- Water Trust Board

Jim Dunlap moved to direct the Executive Director to investigate and prepare a presentation to the Committee on the Arkansas Rural Water insurance program

Ray Leverich seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

IX. Committee Business



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Ray Leverich reported on the Scholarship Committee's progress toward establishing a 501(c)3 for the John Paden Scholarship. Paperwork is currently awaiting approval at the State are nearly completed. Mr. Leverich clarified that the minutes of the previous meeting were correct.

President Clarence Aragon took the approval of the minutes from the June 22, 2007 Executive Committee meeting off the table.

John L. Jones moved to approve the minutes as presented
Ivan Roper seconded the motion
Motion carried unanimously

X. New Business

There was no new business.

XI. Adjourn

John L. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting
Keith Lee seconded the motion
Motion carried unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 pm.

Clarence Aragon, President

Ray Leverich, Secretary / Treasurer



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AGENDA

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- VI. Approval of Staff Salary Recommendations
- VII. Approval of Online Banking / Checking Account Investment Sweep
- VIII. Legislative & Regulatory Issues
- IX. Committee Business
 - ◆ Standing Committee Reports
- X. New Business
- XI. Adjourn