

**MINUTES**  
**Middle Republican Natural Resources District**  
**Public Hearing**  
**Tuesday, September 9, 2008**  
**Curtis, Nebraska**

**Board Members Present:** Joe Anderjaska, Kevin Fornoff, Stan Moore, Marty Schurr, Josh Friesen, Benjie Loomis, Dan Nelsen, Brad Randel, Jerry Mustion, Rick Spencer, Gayle Haag

**Board Members Absent:** None.

**NRD Staff:** Dan Smith, Bob Merrigan, Roger Lawson and Stacie Owens

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Friesen at 7:55 p.m. The agenda and roster were circulated to those present.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH NRSS SECTION 46-743. (2) NOTICE OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING WAS PUBLISHED FOR THREE CONSECUTIVE WEEKS WITH THE LAST PUBLICATION NOT LESS THAN SEVEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING IN THE NORTH PLATTE TELEGRAPH AND MCCOOK GAZETTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY OF THE DISTRICT AND WITH NRSS SECTION 46-743. IT WAS ALSO POSTED ON THE DISTRICT WEB SITE.

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony for a variance from the District's Ground Water Management Area, Rules and Regulations.

Rule 4-1 Moratorium – Transfer Well

1. Oppliger
2. Scholz

**TESTIMONY – Transfer Well**

**MRNRD STAFF**

Bob Merrigan, MRNRD Assistant Manager.

Merrigan provided an overview of the variance requests submitted by Don Oppliger and Steve Scholz from property owned by Robert Boner and Dave Fischer, and answered questions regarding history of use.

**OTHERS**

William Barger

Barger emphasized that Boner would be transferring these acres away from the river. He also advised the Board that Boner has paid irrigated taxes and the Occupation tax on all acres he is requesting to be transferred.

The hearing was closed at 8:09 p.m. by Chairman Friesen.

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Stacie M. Owens  
Secretary to the Board