

the citizens of the proposed site areas and maintain communication with the developer and the department to assure the protection of public health and safety and the protection of the air, land and water resources of the area. Now, by its intent and design, it is not designed to be a group of just local people who are going to make some votes and so on. In fact, this group is not going to be making rules and regulations and laws and it's not like we're going to have out of state people making the laws of the State of Nebraska. And what these individuals, and we might as well be specific about what we're talking about because we're talking about the Village of Nora, and the last time, as you'll recall, I got out the atlas and we talked about the population of Nora being under 50 people and those 50 people feel rather helpless and, in fact, they feel like they need some expertise because they are going against individuals who have a lot of money, but they are also going against a body of rules and regulations that are very foreign to them, very complex. In fact, I would venture to say most of us have not read the rules and regulations regarding nuclear waste disposal and if we had, we probably wouldn't understand them anyway. And so they've got the opportunity and they've asked an individual by the name Hugh Kaufman who has had some considerable experience in this area, and people I think are a little afraid because he might ask some of the tough questions, and that is really all they are after is somebody to help them ask those tough questions to get these things answered. And if we're afraid of having the questions asked, why aren't we afraid of having them answered? And so I guess I think that a certain amount of people have already made their minds up in these areas and I'm really talking to those of you whose conscience it is really gnawing at, what are we going to do in this area and what are we going to do with this amendment? There is a right to vote yet to come and those sorts of other things. Quite frankly, the people of Nora need your help and they need someone and they've picked our Mr. Kaufman and if you're afraid that he's going to become the world's biggest maverick and take control of this issue and rustle it away from us, I don't think that's true. What he will do, he's going to ask some tough questions and maybe there are some questions we don't want to have asked, but what can the harm be in him asking those questions? So you may have to see some of those things in a local paper. You see a lot of things in the paper about this body that you don't like and I don't like either, we tolerate them, we're used to them. In fact, a lot of times that's how the issues are generated and fashioned and addressed and so, in