

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES  
BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 11, 2005

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, April 11, 2005.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than March 31, 2005. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Alm	Bailey	Bull
Eden	Hannah	Holstine
Jedlicka (arrived 7:05)	Johnson	Kavan
Koertner	Larsen	Mastny
Pieke	Reitmayer	Saalfeld (arrived 7:10)
Sabatka	Schmid	Johannes

DIRECTORS ABSENT

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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Sousek	Murren	Gottschalk
Angle		

Sign in sheet attached to original minutes

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Bull, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. NRCS Report

Soncksen was present and updated the Board on the Conservation Security Program (CSP) Sign-up along with the pre-screening questionnaire. He also went over the Cooperative Working Agreement we currently have with them.

b. NARD Report

Johnson reported that the NARD is looking for volunteers to help with the Envirothon in May.

c. Managers Report

Manager Miyoshi reviewed his written report with the Directors.

d. Education Programs

Susan France was present to update the Board on Instream Flow rights.

## 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve minutes from the March 7, 2005 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

## 6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

### A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

#### 1. Meetings

##### a. Pending

##### 1. SWCS Annual Conference

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to send one staff person to the SWCS Meeting July 30-August 4 as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

##### 2. State Envirothon

The State Envirothon scheduled for May 6-7. Volunteers are needed to help with the contest.

##### b. Reports

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find reports from those who attended the Washington, DC meetings as set by NARD.

#### 2. Management Items

##### a. Directors Absence - None

##### b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

##### 1. Monthly Report

Verhoeff was present to give his March report at Board Meeting.

##### 2. Project Updates and Fund Request

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Bull, to approve the following payment requests: Fall and Winter Newsletter - \$500; Water Wellness Meetings - \$2,000; Airboat Tour - \$1,500; Floodplain Map Public Meetings - \$1,000. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

##### 3. Proposed F.Y. 06 Alliance Budget

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find a draft of the F.Y. 06 Alliance Budget. As shown the LPNNRD budget cost increases from \$29,000 in F.Y. 05 to \$30,000 next year.

##### c. Bob Weaver Bill

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to pay the Bob Weaver bill in the amount of \$1,201.67 for the month of February. Motion carried on consent agenda. It was also noted that Manager Miyoshi contact Weaver and inform him we are over budget and all future work needs to have prior approval from this District.

d. Shawn Renner Bill

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to pay the Shawn Renner February bill for work on the Busing and Brauckmuller lawsuits in the amount of \$210.77. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. U.S. 30 Mediation - Report Given

f. Nebraska Land Trust - Report Given

g. Water Claim - Report Given

h. NARD Retirement Fund Carrier - Report Given

I. Recording Secretary

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to authorize the LPNNRD Chair to appoint a Recording Secretary, which can be filled by any Board Member or Staff.

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to table the motion and have Executive Committee discuss this item next month. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. Equipment

a. Computer Purchase for 2005

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to purchase two computers one desktop and one laptop at an estimated cost of \$4,859.97. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

4. Personnel

a. Personnel Sub-Committee - Report Given

5. Finance

a. Approval of February Financial Statement

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the February 2005 Financial Statement as distributed. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve Manager Miyoshi's time sheets and expenses as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Review Accounts Receivable

Manager Miyoshi was instructed to contact one account that is over 90 days and request payment, or if necessary turn over to our Legal Counsel.

d. Budget Graphs

In Directors mailboxes find budget income and expense pie graphs for F.Y. 05.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that the April LPNNRD Executive Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

## B. OPERATIONS, EDUCATION & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT

### 1. WHIP/WILD NE REPORT

#### a. Payments

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve payment on six Wildlife Habitat contracts at a total payment of \$2,833.80, George Menke \$134.40, Carolyn Dannelly \$82.50 expires, DeLores Meysenburg \$465, Edith Twawicke \$1,277.50, Thomas Chesley \$500, Cihacek Bros., \$374.40. Motion carried on consent agenda.

#### b. New Contract - Report Given

### 2. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

#### a. Operation and Maintenance - Report Given

#### b. Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program - Report Given

#### c. Vehicle Replacement - Report Given

#### d. South Fremont 205 Feasibility Study

Johnson made the motion, seconded Bull, to approve payment of \$125,000 to the COE for the South Fremont 205 Study and to bill the other non-federal partners for their portion of the study. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

#### e. Rawhide Ditch 8 Cleaning - Report Given

#### f. Tree Program - Report Given

#### g. Renewal of Grass Drill Agreement

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to renew the grass drill agreements with Dave Rezac and Gayle Goering. Motion carried on consent agenda.

#### h. Platte River Ice Jam Reimbursement - Report Given

### 3. ROCK AND JETTY

#### a. New Application

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to add Larry Karel to the Bank Stabilization cost-share list. Motion carried on consent agenda. Mr. Karel has also applied to the Corps of Engineers for a 404 permit.

### 4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

Nothing to report this month.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Education

1. Midland Lutheran Science Fair - Report Given

2. Earth Wellness Festival - Report Given

3. Spring Conservation Sensation - Report Given

4. Soil and Water Stewardship Week - Report Given

5. Envirothon Request

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to provide \$100 for David City High School Envirothon Team's registration. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. NACEE Conference

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to donate \$200 to support the 2005 NACEE Conference. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. Fremont 4-H Fair

Sabatka made the motion, seconded Mastny, to donate \$250 to support the 2005 Fremont 4-H Fair. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Information

1. Annual Report - Report Given

2. Septic System Brochure - Report Given

6. RURAL WATER ACTIVITIES

a. RURAL WATER SYSTEMS

1. Linwood - Report Given

2. Abie - Report Given

3. Bruno / David City Rural Water System

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve and authorize signing of the document titled ACCEPTANCE OF ASSIGNMENT as attached to the OE&RW Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve and authorize signing of document titled WATER PURCHASE CONTRACT as attached to the OE&RW Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. Colon / Wahoo Rural Water System - Report Given

5. Richland / Columbus Rural Water System - Report Given

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that the April LPNNRD Operation-Education and Rural Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

## C. WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

### 1. REGULATORY

#### a. GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA

##### 1. Well Permit

The total number of permits for 2005 is 24.

##### 2. Cost-Share Programs Reports

☞ Gated Pipe to Pivot Conversion

☞ Irrigation Well Sample Kits

☞ Domestic Well Sample Kits

##### 3. Nitrogen Certification Report - Update Given

##### 4. Bellwood Phase II Area - Update Given

##### 5. Richland/Schuyler Phase II Area - Update Given

##### 6. City of Ashland Request for Ground Water Management Area - Update Given

##### 7. Newspaper Ad on Well Registration - Update Given

##### 8. Sub-area Study Delayed - Update Given

##### 9. DNR Request - Update Given

#### b. Chemigation - Update Given

#### c. Livestock Waste Permits - Update Given

### 2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

#### a. Decommissioned Well Program

##### 1. Well Estimates - Update Given

##### 2. Plugged Wells

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve cost-share payment to decommission the irrigation well for Ruzicka Brothers for \$251.22 and for an irrigation well for Willard Jacob for \$675.02. Motion carried on consent agenda.

#### b. Well Head Protection Areas

##### 1. Weston - Update Given

2. Newman Grove - Update Given

c. Groundwater Energy Levels - Update Given

d. Ground Water Quality - Update Given

e. Lower Platte North NRD Monitoring Wells - Update Given

f. Former Ordnance Plant Mead - Update Given

g. MUD Landowner Survey - Update Given

3. OTHER

a. Comment from the Public - Update Given

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that the April LPNNRD Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

D. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. SWCP REPORT

a. SWCP Cancellations & Extensions

None

b. SWCP Approvals

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the following SWCP cost share applications for trees:

Name	County	# Trees	Total Cost w/out Tax	Program	Cost Share 75%
Doris Nicholiason	Dodge	261 trees	\$ 234.90	SWCP	\$ 176.18
Carl Jarosz	Platte	246 trees	\$ 221.40	SWCP	\$ 166.05
Todd Rannals	Saunders	1,105 trees	\$ 994.50	SWCP	\$ 745.88
Neal Bedlan	Saunders	267 trees	\$ 240.30	SWCP	\$ 180.23
Roland Hohn	Saunders	345 trees	\$ 310.50	SWCP	\$ 232.88
William Klug	Platte	240 trees	\$ 216.00	SWCP	\$ 162.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2,464 trees</b>	<b>\$2,217.60</b>		<b>\$1,663.22</b>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve additional SWCP cost share funding on the following application:

04-P-40 Lawson Family - Bill Bos - NRCS is requesting Additional \$3,100 to complete Platte County terrace project and treat entire field. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Payments

None

d. SWCP Policy Review

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the revised SWCP policy as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

a. Duck Creek - 319 Grant - Report Given

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve conservation plans as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUPS

a. Shell Creek Improvement Group

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to pay \$64.20 to City Café and \$4.39 to Jannell Wyant for the Shell Creek 319 grant meeting expenses as attached. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. OTHER

a. Ithaca Drainage Study and Project Request

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve 50% cost share assistance toward the open drainage ditch portion of the Ithaca Drainage Improvement Project, not to exceed \$12,500 total assistance and subject to Ithaca receiving CBG grant funds. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Update on Army COE 205 Studies

1. South Fremont 205 - Update Given

2. Schuyler 205 - Update Given

3. North Bend 205 - Update Given

c. Wetlands Bank Development

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to not participate with the Roger Harders wetlands mitigation request or with establishing a wetlands mitigation bank at this time. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

6. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

a. Project Update Given

b. WRP Cover Crop Establishment on Former Snitily Property

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to authorize establishing an oats cover crop on the Former Snitily Property/WRP land. It was further recommended to authorize General Manager, John Miyoshi and Lake Wanahoo Project Coordinator, Mike Murren to locate a tenant who would pay to establish an oats cover crop on the property and in turn bale and remove the oats by July 15. Motion carried on consent agenda. Glenn Chvatal has been selected as the cooperater and has planted the oat cover crop.



7. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to accept a purchase offer on Lot 2R, Thomas Lakes for \$35,000. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to allow McPhersons to raise their cabin and approve the easement compensation - Lot 4R, Thomas Lakes for \$5,290. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to accept the temporary loss of use and flowage easement offers on Lot 6R, Thomas Lakes for \$8,400. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Larsen, to negotiate damage expenses on Lot 13R, Thomas Lakes to include cabin raising, temporary and flowage easements, and the establishment of a concrete trailer pad. It was further recommended that the entire cost of the offer including the District's cabin demolition costs not exceed \$36,000. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Contract Between LPNNRD and Pheasants Forever

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve signing the contract between LPNNRD and Pheasants Forever and Addendum "A" for the Former Snitily Property. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.b. No-Till Conference Reimbursement

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to make payment of \$1,200 to Saunders County Extension Office for speaker fees and conference expenses for the Nebraska No-Till Conference at ARDC on February 1, 2005. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.c. Interlocal Agreement Wann Basin Monitoring Well Construction

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve the Interlocal Agreement with MUD for reimbursement of Wann Basin Monitoring Well Construction costs. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Bull, that all bills be approved and warrants be drawn in payment of same. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the April consent agenda as amended. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

Comments from the public centered around the MUD monitoring wells and the clean-up efforts of the Former Ordnance Plant.

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The May Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2005, 7:00 p.m. Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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The undersigned, the duly elected and acting Secretary of the Lower Platte North Natural Resources District (the "District"), hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the District held on November 8, 2004, that all of the matters and subjects discussed at the meeting were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the principal office of the District during normal business hours, and except for items of emergency nature, the agenda was not altered later than twenty-four (24) hours before the scheduled commencement of the meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the above minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days or prior to the next convened meeting, whichever occurred earlier; and, that reasonable efforts were made to provide all news media requesting notification of the meeting and of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Ted Bailey, Secretary