

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
APRIL 9, 2007

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 9, 2007.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

The advanced notice of our April board meeting was published on March 22, 2007 in the Banner Press, Columbus Telegram, Fremont Tribune, North Bend Eagle, Schuyler Sun and Wahoo Newspaper.

Chair Jedlicka informed those present that a copy of the "Open Meeting Act" is posted for public viewing.

Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Alm	Bailey	Boyd
Bull	Eden	Hannah
Hilger	Johannes	Johnson
Kavan	Meduna	Pieke
Renter	Saalfeld	Sabatka
Vrana	Jedlicka	

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Bruner	Reitmajer
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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Mountford	Breunig	Miyoshi
Angle	Murren	Sousek
Gottschalk		

Sign in sheet attached to original minutes.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. Guest Comments

None

b. NRCS Report

Roger Reichmuth was present and handed out a fact sheet with the status of the 2007 EQIP Program in the LPN-NRCS area.

c. NARD Report

Johnson reported on the NARD Board Meeting, the proposed F.Y. 2008 Budget and the current status of our self directed health insurance program.

d. Managers Report

Manager Miyoshi reviewed his written report.

e. Education Program

The Hope of Nine Mile Creek - The Story of an Endangered Nebraska Habitat.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve minutes from the March 8, 2007 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

1. National Watershed Coalition - Update Given

2. Nebraska Water Tour

b. Reports

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes are reports from Gottschalk and Johnson from the NACD Annual Meeting.

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the absences received from Bull and Sabatka for the March Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

1. Monthly Report

The LPRCA Monthly Report is attached to the Executive Committee Minutes.

2. Contingency Funding Request

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve payment to LPRCA for \$3,000 from the Alliance Contingency Fund. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Bob Weaver

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the Bob Weaver Bill in the amount of \$2,500 and bill LPSNRD and PMRNRD for their share. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Fremont Welcome Tour

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find a request from the Fremont Chamber of Commerce for funding assistance on a Welcome Tower. Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to work with Fremont Chamber of Commerce by providing on the native grass and wildflower seed and perform the planting around the Fremont Welcome Tower. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

e. Monthly Education Program - Update Given

f. Legal Fees

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve payment in the amount of \$1,750 to Edstrom, Bromm, Lindahl and Freeman-Caddy for work done on the Bruno Water Line. Motion carried on consent agenda.

g. Bruno Water Line - Update Given

h. Legislation - Update Given

3. Equipment

a. Director Laptop Computers

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is a Draft copy of Laptop and Network Policies for consideration.

4. Personnel

a. Personnel Sub-Committee Minutes

Minutes from the Personnel Sub-Committee are attached to the Executive Committee reviewed these minutes.

On Call Policy

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the "On-Call Policy" as attached to the Personnel Sub-Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

F.Y. 08 Salary Ranges

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the F.Y. 08 salary ranges as attached to the Personnel Sub-Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Ann Brodd Resignation Letter

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find Ann Brodd's resignation letter.

c. NARD Benefits Committee Update

The NARD Benefits Committee met on March 26. Mountford and Johnson gave an update.

5. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Statements

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the December and January financial report as distributed to all Directors. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the Managers expenses as attached to the Executive Committee Agenda. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Accounts Receivable Over 90 Days - Not available

d. Renew Line of Credit

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to renew our \$400,000 line of credit with Wahoo State Bank for one year. Motion carried on consent agenda. Sabatka Abstaining.

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

B. EDUCATION, OPERATION & RURAL WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. WHIP/WILD NE REPORT

a. Payments

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to pay two habitat contracts for DeLores Meysenburg, Butler County, \$465 and George Menke, Platte County, \$134.40 for a total payment of \$599.40. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

a. Operation and Maintenance - Report Given

b. Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program - Report Given

c. South Fremont 205 Study - Report Given

d. Conservation Tree Program - Report Given

e. Rawhide Ditch 8

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to pay Dennis Johnson an additional \$3,220, (this amount does not exceed the next low bid), for the extra dirt excavated and leveled as part of the Rawhide Ditch 8 cleaning project. Motion carried on consent agenda.

f. Czechland Lake Docks

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to purchase the necessary floatation blocks for the two docks at Czechland Lake. Motion carried on consent agenda.

g. Windbreak Renovation - Report Given

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. New Applications - None

b. Payment Requests

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to pay the City of North Bend \$1,997.50 for work accomplished on the North Bend Levee pending staff inspection. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS - Update Given

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Education

1. Earth Wellness Festival - Update Given

2. Aquinas Field Day - Update Given

3. Soil and Water Stewardship Week - Update Given

4. Classroom Jeopardy - Update Given

5. David City Envirothon Request

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to provide a \$100 sponsorship to the David City State qualifying Envirothon team. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Information

1. Annual Report - Update Given

2. Acreage Expo - Update Given

3. HEM Flier - Update Given

6. RURAL WATER ACTIVITIES

a. Abie/Linwood - Report Given

b. Bruno/David City Rural Water - Report Given

c. Colon/Wahoo Rural Water System - Report Given

d. Bellwood - Report Given

e. Other Items of Interest - Report Given

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, that the April LPNNRD Education, Operations 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 Permits

The total number approved permits for 2007 is 29.

2. Cost-Share Programs Reports

a. Irrigation Well Sample Kits - Update Given

b. Domestic Well Sample Kits - Update Given

3. Nitrogen Certification - Update Given

4. David City Aquifer Level 1-A Area - Update Given

5. Bellwood Phase II Area - Update Given

6. Richland/Schuyler Phase II Area - 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

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve cost share payment to decommission the irrigation well of Anton Divis for \$874.13. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. LPNNRD Ground Water Studies

1. Sub-Area Delineation Study - Update Given

2. LPNNRD Platte River Ground Water Model - Update Given

3. Elkhorn Loup Model (ELM) - Update Given

4. Eastern Nebraska Water Resources Assessment (ENWRA) - Update Given

c. Groundwater Energy Levels - Update Given

1. Spring GWEL Measurements

2. GWEL Flow Meters

d. Former Ordnance Plant at Mead - Update Given

3. OTHER

a. Miscellaneous - Update Given

b. GMDA Summer Session - Update Given

c. UNL Water Tour - Update Given

d. Swedeburg - Ceresco Meeting - Update Given

e. Update of LPNNRD Groundwater Management Rules & Regulations Update Given

f. Comments from the Public - Update Given

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, 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 - Update Given

b. SWCP Application Extensions

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to rescind the February 12, 2007 motion to cancel and approve an extension for the following SWCP cost-share application:

75%			
06-Bo-29	Orin Strand	W&S Basin	\$7,402.50

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Summer Applications

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the following SWCP cost share applications for summer construction at the 75% cost share rate:

			75%
Kathleen Pavel	W&S Basin w/outlet		\$1,402.00
Norbert Foltz	Planned Grazing		\$2,707.50
Wendall Bohmont	Planned Grazing		\$2,244.50
Elizabeth Roh	Terraces & Tile		\$6,908.00
Elmer Lanc	Terraces & Tile		\$10,000.00
TOTAL			\$23,262.00

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2007 Tree Plantings

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the following SWCP cost share applications for 2007 tree planting as listed:

Name	County	# Trees	Landowner		Program	Cost Share 75%
			Total Cost	w/out Tax		
Steve Witt*	Saunders	883 trees	\$ 883.00		SWCP	\$ 662.25
Steve Lampman*	Saunders	787 trees	\$ 787.00		SWCP	\$ 590.25
Mary Davis	Saunders	228 trees	\$ 228.00		SWCP	\$ 171.00
Duane Kroeger	Colfax	665 trees	\$ 665.00		SWCP	\$ 498.75
Total		2,563 trees	\$2,563.00			\$1,922.25

(* three landowners on one property)

Recommendation carried. *

d. SWCP Payments

None

e. Duck Creek Applications

None

f. Sand/Duck Creek Payments

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the following Sand/Duck

<u>Creek cost share payments:</u>			<u>15%</u>
<u>07-DC-1 Larry Mach</u>	<u>EQIP SUPP.</u>	<u>Terraces w/tile</u>	<u>\$341.77</u>
<u>07-DC-2 Thomas Holtorf</u>	<u>EQIP SUPP.</u>	<u>Terraces w/tile</u>	<u>\$11,397.38</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>			<u>\$11,739.15</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

g. SWCP Policy Review/Updates for 2007

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the amended SWCP Policy as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS - Update Given

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

None

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUPS

a. GIG Grant - Assistance Payment Request from PrairieLand RC&D

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Pieke, , to approve a \$1,309.12 assistance payment to the Prairieland RC&D as part of our commitment toward the Conservation Innovation Grant Project (perma-crop field demonstrations). Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Boyd, Bull, Hilger, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Pieke, Renter, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Vrana, Jedlicka

NAY: Alm, Eden

ABSTAIN: Hannah

5. OTHER

a. David City Park Fishing Pier Project

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve \$2,500 assistance, toward the David City Park Fishing Peer Project. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. City of Wahoo Erosion Control Project Payment

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve a \$5,000 payment to the City of Wahoo toward their completed Erosion Control Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

c. Update on Army COE 205 Studies

1. South Fremont 205 - Update Given

2. Schuyler 205

We have secured \$150,000 of federal 205 study funds for FY07. Johnson made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to authorize Management to sign the addendum to our Interlocal agreement with Schuyler to share the additional study costs of \$159,675. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Hannah, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Renter, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Vrana, Jedlicka

NAY: Alm, Boyd, Eden, Hilger, Pieke

6. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

a. Review of Lake Wanahoo Committee Minutes

b. State Revolving Fund Public Hearing

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to hold a public hearing at 8:00 a.m., Thursday, May 3, 2007, at the Lower Platte North NRD Office, to inform our intent of using State Revolving Funds for the Sand Creek Environmental Restoration Project. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Payment to Midwest Dumpers

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Bull, to approve payment of \$11,655 to Midwest Dumpers for the Lake Wanahoo Clearing and Grubbing contract. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Olsson Associates Billing

Bull made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve paying Olsson Associates \$150,881.83 for design and completion of the NRDF application. It is further recommended to use the Wahoo Creek/Lake Wanahoo Sinking Fund monies for this payment. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT - Update Given

Johannes the motion, seconded by Pieke, to accept and place on file the April Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7a. SWCP Spring/Summer Application Approvals

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the following Spring/Summer Application Approvals:

<u>Fred Most</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Convert Cropground to Grass</u>	<u>\$585.09</u>
<u>Doug Ruzicka</u>	<u>Dodge</u>	<u>Summer</u>	<u>Flow Meter</u>	<u>\$595.00</u>
<u>Wayne Hassebrook</u>	<u>Butler</u>	<u>Summer</u>	<u>Flow Meter</u>	<u>\$595.00</u>

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7b. SWCP Tree Applications

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the following tree application

<u>Ralph Weeder</u>	<u>Platte</u>	<u>320 Trees</u>	<u>\$240.00</u>
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Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7c. Wahoo Hazard Mitigation Plan - Attachment

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to pay \$4,000 to JEO for adding the Lake Wanhoo Project to the Wahoo Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to approve the April consent agenda as amended. Motion carried all members present voting aye. Sabatka abstained on item 6.A.5.d.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The May Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, May 14, 2007, 7:00 p.m. Lower Platte North NRD Office.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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 April 9, 2007, 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.

Dave Saalfeld, Secretary