

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2004

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 7:10 p.m. at Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, August 9, 2004.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than July 29, 2004. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Alm	Bailey	Bull
Eden	Hannah	Holstine
Jedlicka	Johannes	Kavan
Langemeier	Larsen	Mastny
Pieke	Reitmayer	Saalfeld
Sabatka	Shelso	Johnson

DIRECTORS ABSENT

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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Sousek	Angle	Gottschalk
Rodney Verhoeff, LPRCA		
Lisa Brichacek, Wahoo Newspaper		
Lorus Luetkenhaus		
Victor Humlicek		
Earl Sheehy		
Paul Ramdajio		
Kris Funk		

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. NRCS Report

No Report.

b. NARD Report

Langemeier reminded Directors about the NARD Fall Conference, September 26-28 in Kearney.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve minutes from the July 12, 2004 Board

Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to authorize attendance at the NARD Fall Conference for all Directors who wish to attend and staff as approved by the Executive Committee. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Reports

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is a report from Miyoshi on his July 7th trip to Washington, DC.

2. Management

a. Directors Absences

None received.

b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

July Report

Verhoeff gave the July Alliance Report.

c. NARD F.Y. '05 Dues

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to pay the F.Y. '05 NARD Dues in the amount of \$12,837. Motion carried on consent agenda. It is noted that this is the same amount as F.Y. '04 Dues.

d. Don Blankenau Bill

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is a bill for \$140 from Don Blankenau for work on the Lake Wanahoo Water Rights in conjunction with Loren Lindahl.

d. Bob Weaver Bill

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to pay the Bob Weaver Bill in the amount of \$1,860.84 as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. Equipment

No new business.

4. Personnel

a. Salary Discussion

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to make one \$500 salary adjustment for the current Fiscal Year salaries as discussed by the Executive Committee. Motion carried on consent agenda. This \$500 is a reallocation of funds which were previously approved by the

Board.

5. Finance

a. Approval of June Financial Statement

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the June Financial Statement as distributed. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the Managers expenses as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Accounts Receivable Over 90 Days

The accounts receivable were reviewed by the Executive Committee.

d. Budget

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to approve the F.Y. '05 Budget as presented during the Budget Hearing. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the August 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

No new business.

2. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE & OTHER ITEMS

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

- O & M Crew Activities
- Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program
- Swedeburg 3-B Dam
- No Till Grass Drill

b. Czechland Lake Haying

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to accept the high bid to hay 50 acres at Czechland Lake at \$5 per ton as submitted by Bob Dauel. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Community Forestry Request

City of Newman Grove has submitted their bills for trees planted on the Golf Course and park area at \$1,903.51. The Community Forestry Program will cost-share at 50% not to exceed \$1,000. Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve payment of \$951.76 to the City of Newman Grove for Community Forestry work accomplished. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

The annual letter and cost-share form were sent to all cooperators on the list. To date eight

cost-share forms have been returned.

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

Nothing to report this month.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

NACEE Summit
LPRCA Golf Tournament
Mead GIS/GPS Demo

6. TECHNOLOGY

The Following Updates Were Give:

MUD GIS Work
Laptop Upgrade
MapMaker

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the August LPNNRD Operation-Education and Technology Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

C. WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. REGULATORY

A. GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA

1. Well Permits

The total number of permits for 2004 is 96.

2. The Following Reports Were Given:

Cost Share Programs
Bellwood Phase 2 Area
Richland-Schuyler Phase 2 Area
Nitrogen Certification
Livestock Waste Permits
Chemigation

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. The Following Reports Were Given

Ground Water Quantity
Monitoring Wells
Wellhead Protection Activities
Restoration Advisory Board
Rural Water Systems
Groundwater Quality

b. Plugged Wells

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve cost share payment to decommission the domestic well for Glenn Nelson for \$285.45 and a domestic well for Ronald Siebken for \$204.08.

3. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

None

4. OTHER

a. The Following Updates Were Given

FY 05 Water Budget

Corn Growers Field Tour

MUD Information Committee

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the August LPNRRD Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

D. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. SWCP REPORT

a. Approvals

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the following projects:

Frank Peltz W/S Basin \$1,594.80 (Summer Work) Greg Havlovic Butler Co.

Terry Vavrina New Terr. \$2,870.55 (EQIP Supp.) To complete EQIP contract

Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Payments

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the following SWCP payments:

		Total Payment
04-S-10	Roselyn Kenkel	\$4,352.81
03-S-21	Dailey Farms Inc.	\$1,333.14

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

No new information was reported.

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

None presented.

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUP REPORTS

Attached to the Projects Committee Minutes are the minutes from the Shell Creek Improvement Group.

5. OTHER

a. Platte Center Bank Stabilization Project

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve 50% cost share toward the first phase of the Platte Center Bank Stabilization Project up to a maximum payment of \$2,500..

Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Scrap Tire Collection Assistance Request

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve payment of \$1,000 to Loess Hills RC&D toward the additional local expense associated with their scrap tire collection effort.

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. The Following Updates Were Given:

South Fremont 205

Schuyler 205

North Bend 205

Elkhorn Breakout IPA Access Road Replacement

6. SNITILY WETLAND PROJECT UPDATE

Our attorney is reviewing a draft contract with Pheasants Forever where the District will retain the Snitily property as a part of the Wanahoo Project in exchange for \$92,000 from PF. This amount will cover the remaining expenses we have in the property.

7. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

Miyoshi briefed the Board on recent activities associated with the Lake Wanahoo Project. The NRDF application for state cost share assistance has been completed and we are waiting on the Army COE's final design. Construction of the first phase of the fisheries construction has been going well, but the contractor requested an additional 15 contract days to complete the project. The Board supported the staff's recommendation to deny this request and suggested that the contractor be charged any additional costs for engineering observation because of this delay. The Board also discussed the need for a change order to place a clay cap on an exposed sand area which was not part of the original contract. Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve a \$1,680 contract change order with Commercial Contractors Equipment for placing a clay cap on an exposed sand area. Motion carried on consent agenda.

8. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT

No new information was reported.

7. Additional Action Items

7.a. Land Transfer for Saunders County Hospital

Discussion took place on a request from Saunders County to transfer between 15 and 40 acres of Lake Wanahoo property to the County for use as a care center and hospital.

Alm made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to consult outside legal counsel on the following questions:

1. Is the land transfer legal due to a LPNNRD Board motion dated April 14, 2003 which reads "that the NRD not sell any more land that was purchased for the Sand Creek Environmental Restoration Project." Motion carried.

2. Can LPNNRD and the Lake Wanahoo Partners legally sell this land due to wording in the purchase agreement which gives the Landowner right of first refusal if the land is not being used for it's intended purpose and that the Partners meet the

construction deadlines.

3. Can LPNNRD and the Lake Wanahoo Partners legally use this land for purposes other than what is purchased for under the threat of condemnation.

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.b. Sale of 1998 Ford Expedition

The City of David City has made an offer (pending City Council approval) for our Expedition of \$8,500. Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to sell our 1998 Ford Expedition to the City of David City for \$8,500. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.c. Abandoned Well Cost-Share

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve cost-share payment of \$344.20 to Hough Brothers Limited Partnership to abandoned an irrigation well in Butler County. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.d. Shell Creek Watershed Payment

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to pay Rod Wilke \$219.88 for work completed on the Shell Creek Watershed Conservation Practice Enhancement Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Bull made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the August consent agenda. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

Lorus Luetkenhaus commented on NRD's responsibility to test farm wells in the Wann Basin for chemicals. Angle reported that was the COE's responsibility and he could request that from them at the next RAB meeting which is August 24, 7:00 p.m.

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The September Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, September 13, 2004. Time and location to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Lumir Jedlicka, Secretary