

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 8, 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, August 8, 2005.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than July 28, 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	Johnson	Kavan
Koertner	Larsen	Mastny
Pieke	Reitmayer	Saalfeld
Sabatka	Schmid	Johannes

DIRECTORS ABSENT

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Sousek	Murren	Angle
Gottschalk		

Sign in sheet attached to original minutes

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. NRCS Report

Soncksen reported on the Saunders County Soil Survey Public Meeting that will be held at the LPNDRD, August 9th at 10:00 a.m.

b. NARD Report

Johnson reminded the Board the upcoming Fall Conference, September 26-27, Kearney.

c. Managers Report

Manager Miyoshi reviewed his written report with the Directors.

d. Education Program

None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve minutes from the July 11, 2005 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

ii. Dam Safety Annual Conference

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to authorize one staff member to attend the Dam Safety Annual Conference September 25-29, in New Orleans, Louisiana as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

ii. American Water Works Association

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to authorize up to two staff to attend the American Water Works Association National Conference and Exposition October 9-12, in Sacramento, California as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Reports

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is a report from University of Nebraska Water Tour submitted by Ralph Holstine.

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to excuse Director Holstine from the July Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

1. Monthly Report

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is the July report.

2. CIS Study

Holstine made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to approve Amendment 1 and Addendum B to the Cumulative Impact Study as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Holstine, Jedlicka, Johnson, Kavan, Koertner, Larsen, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid, Johannes

NAY: Alm

c. Bob Weaver Bill

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the June Bob Weaver bill in the amount of \$1,487.67 as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Ground Water Management Act Coalition - Report Given

e. Sub-District 6 Vacancy

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to appoint Robert Hilger, David City fill the LPNNRD Director vacancy in Sub-District 6. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

f. Busing and Brauckmuller -vs- LPNNRD - Report Given

g. LB962 Public Meeting - Update Given

h. Cannia Report - Update Given

i. DNR Rules and Regulations Public Hearing

The public hearing for DNR's Rules and Regulations concerning L.B.962 will be held August 11 at 9:00 a.m. in Kearney. Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes find resolutions from NARD and Nebraska Electric Generation and Transmission Cooperative asking that DNR adjust their numbers for depletion lines. Johnson made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to support the NARD position of favoring the 28% over 40 years depletion issue on DNR's proposed Rules and Regulations. LPNNRD also supports the position of limiting depletion lines to NRD boundaries. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

j. LB 962 - 9 Month Rule - Update Given

3. Equipment

None

4. Personnel

a. Water Resources Specialist Position - Update Given

5. Finance

a. June Pre-Audit Financial Statement - Update Given

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

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

c. Accounts Receivable Over 90 Days

The only accounts receivables over 90 days are from DEQ for grant reimbursement.

d. Line of Credit Wahoo State Bank

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to renew our \$400,000 line of credit with Wahoo State Bank. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Saunders County Groundwater Modeling Review Bill - Update Given

f. Budget

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Schmid, to approve the F.Y. 06 Budget as presented at Budget Hearing. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that the August LPNNRD Executive Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

B. OPERATIONS, EDUCATION & RURAL WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. WHIP/WILD NE REPORT

a. Payments - None

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. Rawhide Creek - Report Given

e. Lower Platte River Weed Management - Report Given

f. Platte River Piers - Report Given

g. Grass Drills Saunders & Platte County - Report Given

h. Pahuk Historical Site - Report Given

i. Trails

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to incorporate \$20,000 in a budgetary line item under Intergovernmental Projects for trails within the Lower Platte North District for FY 2005-06. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. Payment Request

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve payment of \$1,038.13 to Adolph Novacek for rock and jetty work accomplished on the Platte River. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

Nothing to report this month.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Education

1. NACEE - Report Given

2. Water Quality Open - Report Given

b. Information

1. LB 962 Information - Report Given

2. Well Registration New Release - Report Given

3. County Fairs - Report Given

4. Husker Harvest Days - Report Given

5. State Fair - Report Given

6. RURAL WATER ACTIVITIES

a. Abie/Linwood - Report Given

b. Bruno/David City - Report Given

Reitmayer made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to accept the low bid proposal from Rutjens Construct Inc. in the amount of \$636,355 for construct of the Village of Bruno Water Line project contingent on securing funding with USDA for 75% of the total project cost. It is also contingent on the fact that the Village of Bruno will also have to accept the increased grant dollars and increased loan amount and enter into a new or amended water purchase agreement with the Lower Platte North NRD. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

c. Colon/Wahoo Rural Water System

Sabatka, made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve and authorize signing the Water Purchase Agreement with the Wahoo Utilities Board for the Wahoo to Colon Rural Water Line as attached to the Committee Minutes. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Richland / Columbus Rural Water System - Report Given

e. Cedar Bluffs - Report Given

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that the August 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 Permits

_____ The total number of permits for 2005 is 69.

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. News Release on Possible Well Moratorium - 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

_____ Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve cost share payment to decommission the irrigation well for Roger Hellbusch for \$601.35. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Well Head Protection Areas

_____ 1. Weston - Update Given

_____ 2. Prague - Update Given

c. Groundwater Quantity - Update Given

_____ d. Lower Platte North NRD Monitoring Wells - Update Given

e. Former Ordnance Plant at Mead - Update Given

_____ f. MUD and Landowner Survey - Update Given

3. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

_____ a. Fremont State Lakes Bacteria Sampling - Update Given

_____ b. Toxic Algae - Update Given

4. OTHER

a. Water Programs Budget - Update Given

b. Updating of Land Use Maps by Calmit - UNL - Update Given

c. USGS Study fo Maple Creek - Update Given

d. Nebraska Environmental Trust - Update Given

e. Summer Interns - Update Given

f. Comments from the Public - Update Given

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that the August 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

None

c. SWCP Payments

None

d. Fall SWCP Applications

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to increase the SWCP maximum annual cost share assistance per landowner from \$10,000 to \$20,000. It was further recommended that this policy change will apply for all approved projects District wide and will be evaluated annually for needed adjustment. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Koertner, to approve the 2005 Fall SWCP approvals as presented and attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

e. Roger Harders Planned Grazing Project Request

The Board reviewed a proposed SWCP grazing management application from Roger Harders, Saunders County. The Board discussed that while the application is generally eligible, the District would not provide cost share for two livestock wells in the same application area. It was noted however that we would provide cost share credit based on the cost of pipeline that would normally be used in absence of the second well. It was

also noted that separate wetland mitigation money provided to the EPA from Harders, that is administered by the LPNNRD, will be used to fence out two ponds from livestock access. Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve a grazing management SWCP application for Roger Harders, to include only one livestock well and other conditions as discussed. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Koertner, to approve the SWCP cost-share grazing management application for Roger Harders in the amount of \$8,572.15. Motion carried.

AYE: Alm, Bailey, Hannah, Holstine, Johnson, Kavan, Koertner, Larsen, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid, Johannes

NAY: Bull, Eden, Jedlicka

2. WATERSHEDS - Update Given

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the following conservation plans:

<u>6/23/05</u>	<u>Boone</u>	<u>Matthew Pelster</u>	<u>NE 1/410-22-6</u>	<u>107.4</u>	<u>Revision/new owner</u>	<u>also managed having on 21.7 ac CRP# 298</u>
<u>6/23/05</u>	<u>Boone</u>	<u>Cyril Pelster</u>	<u>SW 10-22-6</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Managed Haying 40.0 ac CRP # 285B Field 3</u>
<u>6/23/05</u>	<u>Boone</u>	<u>Cyril Pelster</u>	<u>SW 20-22-7</u>	<u>37.3</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Managed Haying 37.3 ac CRP # 328A Field 1</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUPS

a. Shell Creek Improvement Group - Update Given

5. OTHER

a. Great Plains RC&D Project Discussion/Request

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to increase the Projects Intergovernmental Budget line by \$2,500 in anticipation of participating with the proposed David City Park handicapped fishing pier project. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Platte Center Reimbursement Request

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Bull, to approve 50% up to a maximum assistance of \$3,800 toward the next two phases of Platte Center's cleaning and stabilizing project on Elm Creek as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried.

AYE: Alm, Bailey, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Holstine, Jedlicka, Kavan, Koertner, Larsen, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid, Johannes,

NAY: Johnson

c. Army COE 205 Studies

1. South Fremont 205 - Update Given

2. Schuyler 205 - Update Given

3. North Bend 205 - Update Given

d. FY 06 Projects Budget - Report Given

6. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

a. Project Update Given - Report Given

7. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve \$279 for a container needed for moving items related to the Carper Property, Lot 45, Thomas Lakes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve \$4,500 for moving expenses involved with the Carper Property, Lot 45, Thomas Lakes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that the August LPNNRD Projects Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7.a. WS/CC - Monahan Property

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to pay the court award of \$5,631.50 to William Monahan as determined by Saunders County Court for Lot 46 as needed for the Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.b. Bill from Hamilton & Johnson - Thomas Lake Lot 44

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to pay Hamilton Johnson \$150 for search work done on Lot 44 - Thomas Lakes as part of the Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.c. Computer Purchase

As we prepare for our new Water Resources Specialist to begin on August 15, a new computer is needed. Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, that an emergency declaration be made to add "Computer Purchase" to the additional action items and further moved to purchase the "ABS Ultimate V3 50 Computer" at a total price of \$879.98. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

AYE: Alm, Bailey, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Jedlicka, Johnson, Kavan, Koertner, Larsen, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid, Johannes

ABSTAIN: Holstine

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the August consent agenda. Motion carried.

AYE: Alm, Bailey, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Jedlicka, Johnson, Kavan, Koertner, Larsen, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid, Johannes

ABSTAIN: Holstine

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Bull, that the District start each meeting by saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion carried.

AYE: Alm, Bailey, Bull, Eden, Holstine, Jedlicka, Johnson, Kavan, Koertner, Larsen, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid, Johannes.

PASS: Hannah

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The September Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, September 12, 2005, 7:00 p.m. Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 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 August 8, 2005, 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.

Ted Bailey, Secretary