

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2000**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 1:30 p.m. at Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, December 11, 2000.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than November 1, 2000. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Bailey	Bull	Johnson
Kavan	Lallman	Langemeier
Nelson	Sabatka	Sendgraff
Shelso	McDermott	Wilke

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Daufeldt	Grueber	Jedlicka
Johannes	Mastny	Saalfeld
Sabata		

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Murren	Heimann	

Brad Soncksen, Saunders County NRCS
Lisa Brichacek, Wahoo Newspaper

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. NRCS Report

Soncksen informed the Directors of a Pilot Program for Farmed Wetland Enrollment in CRP.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve minutes from the November 13, 2000 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

B. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

1. Legislative Conference

NARD Legislative Conference will be held January 23-24, 2001 at the Embassy Suites in Lincoln.

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absences

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve director absences for the following meetings: August - Bailey and Johannes, November - Johnson and Wilke. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Building Payment

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to make payment to building addition contractor Gifford Realty in the amount of \$2,259 for relocation of the gas meter and installation of additional piping on the interior to get gas to the mechanical room. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Great Plains RC&D

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve payment of \$150 dues to the Nebraska Great Plains RC&D. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. NARD

1. Special Assessment

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to support the NARD Special Assessment on Dues plan, making up \$37,500 over the next two budget years. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. NARD Voting Delegate and Alternate

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, that Don Kavan be our voting delegate and Jim McDermott the alternate for the NARD Legislative Conference. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Nominating Committee for Officer Election

Director Grueber is Chairman of the Nominating Committee which includes all past chairman and will get nominations for officer elections in January. Past Chairman include: Grueber, Shelso, Sabata, Sabatka, Kavan and Bull.

3. Equipment

a. Director Computer Project

Staff continues to work on putting the details together for the Directors Computer Project. Besides purchase of the computers it is necessary to line up the software, phone lines and necessary peripherals to make the system work.

4. Personnel

No new business.

5. Finance

a. Financial Reports

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve the October Financial Statements as distributed. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

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

c. Extend Line of Credit

Due to construction of Homestead Lake and our Czechland Wetland project we are having problems with cash flow. Shelso made the motion, seconded by Bull, to increase the LPNNRD line of credit by \$200,000, which will increase it to \$600,000. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Johnson, Kavan, Lallman, Langemeier, Nelson, Sendgraff, Shelso, Wilke, McDermott
ABSTAIN: Sabatka

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, that the December LPNNRD Executive Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

B. OPERATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

1. WHIP REPORT

a. Payments

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve eight WHIP contracts at a total payment of \$3,417.50.

<u>David Prochaska</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>10 acres</u>	<u>\$175</u>
<u>Dennis Holubar</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>19 acres</u>	<u>\$285</u>
<u>Dennis Cippera</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>30 acres</u>	<u>\$450</u>
<u>Frank Hicken Jr.</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>14 acres</u>	<u>\$210</u>
<u>Roger Nelson</u>	<u>Colfax</u>	<u>40 acres</u>	<u>\$600</u>
<u>Tom Topil</u>	<u>Butler</u>	<u>40 acres</u>	<u>\$700</u>
<u>Joe Reisdorff</u>	<u>Butler</u>	<u>35 acres</u>	<u>\$612.50</u>
<u>Donna Havlik</u>	<u>Butler</u>	<u>22 acres</u>	<u>\$385</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. OPERATION & MAINTENANCE

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ✓ Operation and Maintenance Activities
- ✓ Czechland Silt Dam and Sediment Removal System
- ✓ Rawhide Creek North and West Branch Studies
- ✓ Southeast Fremont Drainage
- ✓ Fremont & Elkhorn Valley Railroad
- ✓ Conservation Easement
- ✓ Verdell Stork Request
- ✓ Tree Program

3. ROCK AND JETTY

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve payment of \$2,000 to Gale Shields for bank stabilization work accomplished on the Platte River pending inspection by staff. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

The District has not received any new complaints.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. The following Updates Were Given:

- * Groundwater Foundation Mini-Festival
- * Fall Viaduct
- * FFA Leadership Contests

b. National Land Judging

A team from Raymond Central qualified for National Land Judging at the state contest on Oct. 31. The national contest will be held in May 2001 in Oklahoma City. The team has asked the district for financial support for their trip. Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, that the district provide \$150 to the Raymond Central FFA team to sponsor their trip to National Land Judging. Motion carried on consent agenda.

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

C. WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. REGULATORY

a. The Following Reports Were Given:

- ☞ Manure Testing and Software Cost Share
- ☞ Well Permits
- ☞ Nitrogen Certification Classes
- ☞ N-Serve Demonstration Plot
- ☞ Well Registration
- ☞ Chemigation
- ☞ Livestock Waste Permits
- ☞ N-Serve Demonstration Plot

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve cost share payment to decommission an irrigation well for Dan Jarecki for \$437.02 and for a domestic well for Gene Cihacek for \$245.96. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. The Following Reports Were Given

- * Wellhead Protection Areas
- * Groundwater Quality - Platte Valley
- * Mead NOP
- * Farm-A-Syst Program

3. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

a. The Following Reports Were Given

- Sand and Duck Creek Study
- Total Maximum Dailey Load

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, that the December LPNNRD Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

C. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. SWCP REPORT

a. Approve SWCP Payments

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

Sinking Funds:

<u>00-S-42 - Mary Lou Cihal</u>	<u>\$2,333.83</u>
<u>00-S-46 - Mark Kaspar</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u>

State:

<u>00-S-24 - Anton Brabec</u>	<u>\$2,421.72</u>
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Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Small Dam Applications Review/Approval

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve the Small Dam Applications for 2001 construction as attached too the Projects Committee Minutes. It was further recommended to approve the Camp Moses Merrill application after staff investigation and approval of project feasibility. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

a. Skull Creek Watershed - Homestead Lake

Last month, we informed the committee that engineering inspection costs will run higher than estimated. Daryoush Raziavan, Brian Beckman and Jeremy Wollsen from Olsson Associates were present at this months meeting to discuss the project status and the engineering budget. The inspection period was originally estimated at 10 weeks and \$30,000. The inspection period has now extended to 13½ weeks and approximately \$40,000. Our engineering firm estimates another 4-5 weeks will be needed to complete construction which will take our total inspection expenses to \$52,000 - \$55,000. Olsson's stated that the higher costs are due to dry weather in August and September which extended the construction period and that this is the Contractors first flood control dam.

3. FSA, EQIP and CRP PLANS SIGNED

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve signed conservation plans as follows:

Michael J. Colgan

Platte County

Charles Dake

Dodge County . Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. LOCALLY LED CONSERVATION CORE GROUP REPORT

a. Shell Creek Locally Led Landowners

As anticipated, we have received a request from the Shell Creek Group to sponsor their area-wide Planning Process with the NRCS. As sponsor for this planning process, the LPNNRD would be involved in making final decisions on alternatives the group comes up with to address resource problems and meet the goals and objectives in their plan. Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to sponsor the Shell Creek landowners committee Area-Wide Planning Process as attached. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Attached to the Projects Committee Minutes are Minutes from Northwest Bellwood Watershed and Skull/Bone Creek Minutes.

5. OTHER

a. The Following Reports Were Given:

- ✓ Skull Creek Sub-Watershed
- ✓ Prairie Land RC&D Minutes
- ✓ Nebraska Great Plains Minutes
- ✓ Update on Clear Creek D&D Dam Repair Project

6. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

a. Request to Proceed with Appraisal Process on Sand & Duck Creek Seven Dam Sites

Murren reported that we need to begin the landrights process for the seven proposed dams in the Sand & Duck Watershed which are a part of the Lake Wanahoo Project with the COE. Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to begin the landrights process for the seven proposed Sand & Duck Creek Dams advertising for proposals from certified appraisers. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Update on the November 29 Lake Wanahoo Committee Meeting

Murren gave a report on the November 29th Lake Wanahoo Committee Meeting.

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, that the December LPNNRD Projects Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

No additional action items this month.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Bailey, that the Mark Kasper bill be removed from the bills pending and that all remaining bills be approved and warrants be drawn in payment of same. Motion

carried all members present voting aye.

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve the December consent agenda as amended.

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

No comments.

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The January Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2001. Time and location to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Jane Daufeldt, Secretary