

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2006

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, February 13, 2006.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than February 1, 2006. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Alm	Bailey	Bull
Eden	Hannah	Hilger
Holstine	Jedlicka	Johnson
Kavan	Koertner	Mastny
Pieke	Reitmayer	Saalfeld
Sabatka	Schmid	Johannes

DIRECTORS ABSENT

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Murren	Sousek	Gottschalk
Angle		

Sign in sheet attached to original minutes

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. Guest Comments

b. NRCS Report

Soncksen reported on the CRP re-enrollments EQIP funding and extensions for eligible producers in 2007.

c. NARD Report

Johnson reported on the current Legislative Session and the Legislative update prepared by NARD.

d. Managers Report

Manager Miyoshi reviewed his written report.

e. Education Program

Jim Cannia and Jeff Schafer from Department of Natural Resources gave a presentation on Annual Evaluation of Availability of Hydrologically Connected Water Supplies in LPNNRD.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve minutes from the January 9, 2006 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

Those attending the annual NARD Washington D.C. meetings include Johannes, Koertner, Miyoshi and Mountford. A cost estimate for the meetings is attached to the Executive Committee Minutes.

b. Reports

None

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to excuse Jedlicka and Mastny from the October Board meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

Verhoeff was present to give his January LPRCA Monthly report.

c. Bob Weaver Bill

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to pay the Bob Weaver bill in the amount of \$1,260. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. 2006 Election - Update Given

e. Nebraska Habitat Conservation Coalition (Piping Plover) - Update Given

f. Director Vacancy

A nominating committee has been appointed consisting of Saunders County directors Alm, Bull, Kavan Reitmajer and Sabatka (Chair). An advertisement will be run in the Wahoo Newspaper with the sub-committee being tasked to bring a candidate forward at the March Board Meeting for Board approval.

g. Ratification of Temporary Treasurer Position

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to ratify the Chairs action of appointing Dean Johnson as temporary Treasurer for LPNNRD. Motion carried on consent agenda.

h. Election of a new Treasurer

Holstine made the motion, seconded by Bull, to nominate Dean Johnson as Treasurer for LPNNRD.

Alm made the motion, seconded by Bull, that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Dean Johnson as Treasure for LPNNRD. Motion carried.

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

ABSTAIN: Johnson

I. Board Size and Sub-Committee

Bull made the motion, seconded by Alm, if changes occur to the number of LPNNRD Board of Directors, that change will occur after the 2010 census and be implemented in the 2012 and 2014 election cycles. Motion carried.

AYE: Alm, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Holstine, Jedlicka, Johnson, Koertner, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Johannes

NAY: Bailey, Kavan, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that LPNNRD Board of Directors move toward establishing a one to one population sub-district ratio. Motion failed.

AYE: Johannes

NAY: Alm, Bailey, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Holstine, Jedlicka, Johnson, Kavan, Koertner, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Schmid

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, that LPNNRD downsize our current 19 member board to 11, however if motion fails we stay at the current 19 member board. Motion failed.

AYE: Jedlicka, Schmid, Johannes

NAY: Alm, Bailey, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Holstine, Johnson, Kavan, Koertner, Mastny, Pieke, Reitmajer, Saalfeld, Sabatka,

j. Legislation - Update Given

k. Director Retreat - Update Given

l. Pallid Sturgeon - Update Given

m. February Education Program - Update Given

n. Envelope Purchase

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to purchase LPNNRD logo envelopes from Tyler Graphics at a quoted price of \$1,550 for 10,000 envelopes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

o. Modification of NARD By-Laws

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve a requested change to the NARD by-laws concerning the NARD Retirement Committee. The change modifies the committee name and representation on the committee. Motion carried on consent agenda.

p. Luetkenhaus Complaint - Update Given

3. Equipment

None

4. Personnel

a. Retirement Plan Withholding

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that we work with NARD to hire Willnerd and Associates to see that all past and current withholdings are correct. If our portion of the fee will exceed \$1,000 additional authority from the board is needed. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. 457 Supplemental Retirement Plan Adoption

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve and authorize signing the NARD resolution which allows for the transfer of our 457 supplemental retirement plan from LPNNRD to NARD as attached to the Executive Committee minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. Finance

a. December Financial Statements

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the December Financial Statements as distributed to Directors. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

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

c. Accounts Receivable Over 90 Days

Three receivables over 90 days are currently out. All are from agencies for reimbursement.

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

B. OPERATIONS, EDUCATION & RURAL WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Election of Chair & Vice-Chair

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to retain our current Committee Chairman (Reitmayer). Motion carried on consent agenda.

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 Ditch 8 at Diers - Report Given

e. Rawhide Ditch 8 Cleaning

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to pay Schutt Construction 70% (\$6,216.00) of the contracted amount \$8,880 for accomplished work on Rawhide Ditch 8 and to also pay Schutt Construction \$1,205 for re-leveling last years work that was finished by Pruss Excavation for a total payment of \$7,421. Motion carried on consent agenda.

f. Grass Drill Saunders County - Report Given

g. Conservation Tree Program - Report Given

h. Arbor Day Trees

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to purchase 800 bagged tree seedlings from the National Arbor Day Foundation to give away at Conservation Sensation Day and to schools in the District for Arbor Day, the cost is \$744.00. Motion carried on consent agenda.

I. Prairie Land RC&D Scrap Tire Collection Grant

Reitmayer made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, that LPNNRD as requested by the Prairie Land RC&D apply for, administer the NDEQ scrap tire collection grant and authorize Assistant Manager, Tom Mountford to sign the tire collection grant, as attached, provided all collection costs are reimbursed to the District, and further recommend to accept the low bid of \$102/ton from Champlin Tire Recycling, INC, for the collection and disposal associated with this NDEQ scrap tire collection grant. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

j. Road Closure Assistance

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that LPNNRD assist up to \$1,500 for fencing and a gate for the closure of County road 16 north of Z (northeast of Cedar Bluffs) to protect a national historical site, Pahuk, and for the prevention of illegal dumping, pending the approval of a written plan by landowners and tenants involved to take preventative measures themselves, such as, additional fencing and gates, and prosecuting people who violate the area. Motion carried on consent agenda.

k. District Geocaching Policy

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve a new District policy for Geocaching on LPNNRD properties and to place the policy on our web site. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

None

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

The Mayor of Yutan has received a quote of \$400 to survey the property lines associated with this complaint. The Mayor will ask if the 2 or 3 homeowners can assist in hiring the surveyor to find this boundary. Currently, the County Surveyor may or may not find the boundary line free of charge, they will contact the Mayor. The landowner in violation is willing to work out a solution.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Education

1. NACEE Master Plan - Report Given

2. Soil and Water Stewardship Week

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, approve up to \$1,000 for the purchase of Soil & Water Stewardship materials for 2006. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Information

1. Brochures - Report Given

2. Annual Report - Report Given

3. NARD Displays - Report Given

c. Computer

1. IT Summit

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to send Thompson to the Denver IT Summit. Motion carried on consent agenda.

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. Richland / Columbus Rural Water System - Report Given

e. Cedar Bluffs - Report Given

f. Bellwood - Report Given

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that the February 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 approved permits for 2006 is 12.

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. Bellwood Phase II Area - Update Given

5. Richland/Schuyler Phase II Area - Update Given

6. Ground Water Management Area Options - Update Given

b. Chemigation - Update Given

c. Livestock Waste

1. Livestock Permits

2. Manure in Shell Creek

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

1. Well Estimates - Update Given

2. Plugged Wells

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve cost-share payment to decommission the irrigation well for Viola Schmid for \$463.31. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Well Head Protection Areas - Update Given

c. MUD & Landowners Survey

1. MUD Quarterly Report - Update Given

2. MUD Monitoring Wells - Update Given

3. Landowner Survey - Update Given

4. MUD Ground Water Model

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Alm, to approve entering into an agreement with Saunders County to hire personnel from International Water Consultants for a technical review of the updated MUD ground water model at a cost of \$4,850 (50% of \$9,700). Motion carried.

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

NAY: Bailey, Johnson, Pieke

d. Star Breeding Livestock Monitoring Wells - Update Given

3. OTHER

a. Groundwater Management Districts Association - Update Given

b. Comments from the Public - Update Given

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that the February LPNDRD 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

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to cancel SWCP application 05-S-30 (Anna Machovec @ \$8,000). Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. SWCP Approvals

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the following SWCP approvals:

<u>Eugene Larsen</u>	<u>Dodge</u>	<u>Terraces w/tile</u>	<u>\$ 1,990.50 (@ 75%)</u>
<u>Bruce Bartunek</u>	<u>Butler</u>	<u>Small Dam</u>	<u>\$ 3,855.50 (@ 65%)</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Payments

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the following SWCP payments:

	Approved \$	Payment Amount	(+/-)
05-S-46 Ermin Snitily	\$ 3,289.68	\$ 3,481.66	+ \$ 191.98
05-S-40a Roland Kavan	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,925.06	- \$ 574.94

Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Duck Creek Payments

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the following Duck Creek Payments:

	15%
05-S-22 Geraldine Chmelka	\$ 2,759.73
05-S-23 Curtis Cihal	\$ 2,568.54
05-S-24 Joe Cihal	\$ 907.46
05-S-29 Terry Kubik	\$ 4,132.04
05-S-37 Raymond Sedlacek	\$ 1,756.41
05-S-38 Michael Swanson	\$ 1,014.23
05-S-27 Donald Kaspar (EQIP Supp.) & Aldeanne Kucera	\$1,568.39 (\$784.19 & \$784.20 split payments)

Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Roger Harders Payment and Approval

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to make a partial SWCP payment of \$3,980.40 to Roger Harders for cross fencing completed on his grazing management plan application (05-S-14; To approve a new SWCP grazing application for Roger Harders totaling \$4,263 assistance to complete the remaining grazing management practices (livestock well and pipeline later this year) and finally to make a \$1,320 reimbursement payment to Roger Harders regarding the EPA mitigation settlement for completing fencing to enclose permanent water areas (there is no NRD cost share funds involved with this portion of the project, but we acted as the money handling body for EPA). Motion carried all members voting aye.

f. SWCP Policy Review for Possible Changes - Update Given

2. WATERSHEDS

a. Shell Creek - Update Given

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

None

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUPS

a. Shell Creek Improvement Group - Update Given

5. OTHER

a. Clear Creek Dike and Drainage District Project Request

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve 1/3 of the total cost of a metal tube for the CCD&DD bridge replacement project not to exceed \$1,100 total assistance. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Nebraska No-Till Conference Assistance Request

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve \$1,200 for the Nebraska No-Till Conference Meeting which is held with the LPNNRD. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Update on Army COE 205 Studies

1. South Fremont 205 - Update Given

2. Schuyler 205 - Update Given

3. North Bend 205 - Update Given

6. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to authorize Olsson and Associates to proceed on the first quarter design work on the Sand Creek Project not to exceed \$150,000, as previously contracted. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT

Pieke made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve 50%-cost share for replacing the damaged sand point well on Lot 45 Thomas Lakes, with a drilled well not to exceed \$1,500 total assistance. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Holstine, Koertner, Pieke, Reitmajer, Sabatka, Johannes

NAY: Alm, Hilger, Jedlicka, Johnson, Kavan, Mastny, Saalfeld, Schmid

Schmid made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to accept and place on file the February Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

None

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

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

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The March Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, March 13, 2006, 5:30 p.m. Lower Platte North NRD Office.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 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 February 13, 2006, 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