

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2003

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, January 13, 2003

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than January 1, 2003. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Alm	Bull	Eden
Holstine	Jedlicka	Johannes
Johnson	Kavan	Langemeier
Larsen	Mastny	Pieke
Sabata	Sabatka	Shelso
Wilke		

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Bailey	Reitmayer (GMDA)	Saalfeld (GMDA)
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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Murren	Sousek	Gottschalk
Lisa Brichacek, Wahoo Newspaper		
Grant Porter		
Becky Piper, NRCS		

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. Election of Officers

Sabatka reported that the Nominating Committee Nominates Dean Johnson for Board Chair.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Sabata, that nominations close and a unanimous ballot be cast for Dean Johnson as Chair of the LPNNRD Board. Motion carried.

Sabatka reported that the Nominating Committee Nominates Clint Johannes for Board Vice-Chair.

Langemeier made the motion, seconded by Larsen, that nominations close and a unanimous ballot be cast for Clint Johannes as Vice-Chair of the LPNNRD Board. Motion carried.

Sabatka reported that the Nominating Committee Nominates Lumir Jedlicka for Board Secretary.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, that nominations close and a unanimous ballot be cast for Lumir Jedlicka as Secretary of the LPNNRD Board. Motion carried.

Sabatka reported that the Nominating Committee Nominates Chris Langemeier for Board Treasurer.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Kavan, that nominations close and a unanimous ballot be cast for Chris Langemeier as Treasurer of the LPNNRD Board. Motion carried.

Sabatka reported that the Nominating Committee wished to Nominate the following for NARD Representative: Chris Langemeier, Don Kavan and Dave Shelso.

Chair Wilke called for a secret ballot with Chris Langemeier being elected NARD Representative and Don Kavan Alternate.

b. NRCS Report

Becky Piper, Dodge County NRCS gave an update and handed out a fact sheet on Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program.

c. NARD Report

Kavan reminded Directors of the upcoming NARD Legislative Conference, January 28-29, 2003 to be held at the Embassy Suites in Lincoln.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve minutes from the December 9, 2002 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

1. NARD Legislative Conference

The NARD Legislative Conference will be held January 28-29, 2003 at the Embassy Suite Hotel in Lincoln. All Directors are highly encouraged to attend. Mastny made the

motion, seconded by Shelso, to allow all Directors and up to seven Staff Members to attend the NARD Legislative Conference, January 28-29, 2003. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. NARD Washington, DC Annual Meeting

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to authorize two Staff Members and two Directors to attend the NARD Washington, DC Annual Meeting March 15-19 and allow the Chairman and General Manager to attend two additional days to make Congressional contacts. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. Management

a. Directors Absence

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve absences submitted by Director Sabata for April, May, June, July and October as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

The job announcement for the Alliance Coordinator Position is attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Applications are to be submitted to LPSNRD by January 10, 2003.

c. Saunders County -vs- MUD

1. Sub-Committee Recommendation

The Saunders County -vs- MUD Sub-Committee met prior to the Executive Committee. They have directed that the Sub-Committee request a meeting with a Sub-Committee from Saunders County Supervisors to discuss future litigation. A recommendation on the case will be forthcoming at the February Board Meeting.

2. Bill from Dave Jarecke

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to pay the bill for legal services from Dave Jarecke in the amount of \$1,215.80. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Nebraska Habitat Coalition - Piping Plover

1. Minutes from November 12th Meeting

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is a copy of the minutes from the November 12, 2002 Nebraska Habitat Coalition Meeting.

2. F.Y. 03 Dues

Mastny Made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to pay dues to the Nebraska Habitat Coalition for F.Y. 03 in the amount of \$2,500. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Pallid Sturgeon Task Force Dues

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to pay dues to the Pallid Sturgeon Task Force for F.Y. 03 in the amount of \$5,000. Motion carried.

AYE: Jedlicka, Johannes, Kavan, Langemeier, Larsen, Mastny, Pieke, Sabata, Sabatka, Shelso, Wilke, Johnson

NAY: Alm, Bull, Eden, Holstine

f. Nebraska Accountability & Disclosure Commission Request for Input

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is a request from the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission asking for input on any items concerning how the Commission does business.

g. NARD Funding for Environment Trust Thank You Ad

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the District contribute \$500 toward paying for the Environmental Trust "thank you" advertising. Motion carried on consent agenda.

h. The Following Reports Were Given:

- ◆ 2003 Legislative Schedule
- ◆ Nieveen Pivot Update
- ◆ Lower Platte Basin Meeting
- ◆ Lower Platte River Cumulative Impact Study
- ◆ Thank You Notes

i. Bob Weaver Bill

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to pay the Bob Weaver bill in the amount of \$3,844.17. Motion carried on consent agenda.

j. 2003 Recognition Banquet

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the 2003 Recognition Banquet once again held at the Fremont Golf Club on Monday, December 8th. Motion carried on consent agenda.

k. District Boundary Changes

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the District make a formal request to Lower Loup NRD, that land previously located in Platte County that was switched to Butler County, be moved from the Lower Loup NRD into the Lower Platte North NRD in Butler County, to better service the area. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. Equipment

No new business.

4. Personnel

a. CPR and First Aid Training

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the District offer CPR and First Aid Training to all employees at a cost of \$20 per person with a maximum cost to the District of \$320. Recommendation Carried.*

5. Finance

a. Approval of November Financial Statement

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the November Financial Statement as distributed at Committee Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the Manager's expenses as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the January 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

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve four WHIP/Wild NE contracts for a total payment of \$1,680.80.

<u>Layton Anderson</u>	<u>Madison</u>	<u>\$225.00</u>	<u>expires</u>
<u>Scanlon Bros.</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>\$980.00</u>	<u>expires</u>
<u>Wayne Loseke</u>	<u>Platte</u>	<u>\$100.80</u>	
<u>Roger Nelson</u>	<u>Colfax</u>	<u>\$375.00</u>	

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. OPERATION & MAINTENANCE

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ✓ Operation and Maintenance Activities
- ✓ South Fremont Feasibility Study
- ✓ Tree Program
- ✓ Rawhide Creek North Branch
- ✓ Grass Drill Update

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. Payment

Mastny Made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to pay the following three cooperators \$1,000 each, pending inspection, for bank stabilization projects: Dean Arps, Dodge County,

Nickolite Ranch, Butler County and Jim McDermott, Saunders County. 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:

- * Annual Banquet
- * NACEE
- * NRD Calendars
- * District 2 FFA Leadership Contest
- * Snitily Carr Video

b. Annual Report

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve up to \$7,000 for printing the 2002 Annual Report. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the January LPNNRD Operation and Education 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 2002 is 89.

2. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ☛ Water Meter Cost Share Program
- ☛ Nitrogen Certification
- ☛ Phase 2 Meetings
- ☛ UltraSonic Flow Meter
- ☛ Chemigation

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve cost share payment to decommission the irrigation well for Dorothy Newsom for \$501.79, an irrigation well for Ruzicka Bros. for \$328.38 and an irrigation well for Arnold Hines for \$377.23. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. The Following Reports Were Given

- * Well Estimates
- * Wellhead Protection Areas
- * Ground Water Energy Levels
- * Ground Water Quality

c. David City Rural Water System

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the "Interlocal Agreement" on "possible water service by the City of David City to Bruno, Nebraska" with the attachments of "A", "B", "C" and authorize the General Manager to sign said agreement. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the "Agreement for Engineering Services" with Snyder Engineering Co., Inc. for the Bruno water system study in the amount of \$12,000. If improvements to the system are made, reimbursement of the study funds will come from Federal and/or State sources. If no improvements are made, Bruno has agreed to reimburse LPNNRD one-half of the study costs (est. \$6,000 from Bruno). Motion carried on consent agenda.

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

D. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. SWCP REPORT

a. SWCP Approvals - Additional Funding Requests

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the following SWCP additional funding requests:

	Current Funds	75%	90%	New Total
Fred Kadavy	\$7,254		Add'l \$2,746	\$10,000
Berneil Ecklund	\$7,500	Add'l \$1,774.48		\$9,274.48

Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. SWCP Payments

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

	75% Payment	+/- \$
02-S-33 Burneil Ecklund	\$ 9,274.48	
02-C-23 Kenny Goff	\$ 3,476.77	(- \$735.23)

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Extensions

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to extend the following SWCP applications until May 1, 2003:

<u>02-P-4</u>	<u>Freddie Siefken</u>	<u>02-Bo-22</u>	<u>Marcia Spieker</u>
<u>02-B-11</u>	<u>Mike Egger</u>	<u>02-C-23</u>	<u>Kenny Goff</u>
<u>02-P-14</u>	<u>John Sonderman</u>	<u>02-B-26</u>	<u>Elmer Lanc</u>
<u>02-P-15</u>	<u>Luther Bakenhus</u>	<u>02-S-28</u>	<u>Kenneth Johnson Family</u>
<u>02-P-16</u>	<u>Lisa Gibson</u>	<u>02-B-30</u>	<u>Ernest Yindrick</u>
<u>02-P-17</u>	<u>Edward Bakenhus</u>	<u>02-S-34</u>	<u>Randy Fendrich</u>
<u>02-D-18</u>	<u>D. Kroeger/D.Vacek</u>	<u>02-S-36</u>	<u>Elmer Pestal</u>
<u>02-D-19</u>	<u>Lee Camenzind</u>	<u>02-S-37</u>	<u>David Sousek</u>
<u>02-D-20</u>	<u>Darrell Umscheid</u>	<u>02-S-41</u>	<u>R&R Paseka</u>
<u>02-D-21</u>	<u>Eugene Larsen</u>	<u>02-S-42</u>	<u>John Brtek Tr./Chmelka</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. SWCP Cancellations

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve the following SWCP cancellations:

<u>02-S-24</u>	<u>Joe Hanis (used EQIP)</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
<u>02-B-25</u>	<u>Anthony Prochaska (Will resign up for fall)</u>	<u>\$ 5,529.00</u>
<u>02-B-31</u>	<u>Joseph Shultz</u>	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

No new business.

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

No plans to approve this month.

4. Locally Led Landowner Groups

a. The Following Reports Were Given:

- ⊗ Skull/Bone Creek Locally Led Landowners
- ⊗ Shell Creek Locally Led Landowners

5. Other

a. No-Till Conference Funding Request

The committee reviewed a request from Keith Glewen, UNL Extension Educator, to help fund this year's no-till conference to be held at the ARDC. Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve up to \$1,200 for the no-till conference, to be held at the ARDC near Ithaca on February 13, 2002. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. SNITILY WETLAND PROJECT UPDATE

Murren reported that he is working with the NRCS, their hired surveyor and a neighboring landowner, to possibly correct some boundary discrepancies during the contract process to sign our property into Wetlands Reserve Program.

7. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

Murren reported that the Army Corps of Engineers headquarters and the ASA Offices have both approved the Wanahoo Project. On December 23, Murren, Miyoshi and Mountford, Bob Wolf and Mike Sotak from Olsson Associates, met with representatives from the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, to begin the application process for obtaining state assistance for the project.

Mastny made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to have our Attorney Loren Lindahl prepare a second amendment to our Option Agreement with the Scheerer Family Trust, extending the purchase Agreement one additional year. Motion carried on consent agenda.

8. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT

The PMRNRD is working on answering several COE questions they have on the completed Limited Reevaluation Report.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Advertising Nitrogen Certification Classes

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to place an ad in all the area newspapers advertising the nitrogen certification classes. For an estimated cost of \$650 to be taken from the GWMA Information and Education Budget. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

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

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

None

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The February Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, February 11, 2003. Time and location to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.