

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
JULY 12, 1999**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, July 12, 1999.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than July 1, 1999. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Bailey	Bull	Daufeldt
Grueber (arrived 7:30)	Jedlicka	Johannes
Johnson	Lallman	Langemeier
Mastny	Nelson	McDermott
Saalfeld	Sabata (arrived 7:11)	Sabatka
Sendgraff	Shelso	

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Kavan	Wilke
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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Vasa
Murren		
Lisa Brichacek, Wahoo Newspaper	Joseph Koenig, Yutan	
Grant Porter, Saunders County Attorney	Willard Jacobs, Yutan	
Bill Petersen, David City	Keith Glewen, UNL Extension	
Tim Rounph, Cedar Bluffs	Leo Juranek, Linwood	
Mike Thares, Yutan	Harold Larda and Wife	

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

Johannes gave a report on upcoming NARD activities. Keith Glewen, UNL Extension Service gave a report on research work being completed on manure handling and marketing at Mead Cattle Company.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the minutes from the June 14, 1999 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. OPERATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

1. WHIP REPORT

a. Payments

There are no payments for the month of July.

2. OPERATION & MAINTENANCE

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ✓ Projects Damaged by Recent Flooding
- ✓ Czechland Wetland Grants
- ✓ Public Boat Ramp
- ✓ Rawhide Creek North and West Branch Studies

b. 72" Tube for Sale

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to sell the 72" tube that was under the hiking trail at Czechland Lake for \$588, which is 30 % of new value (\$1,962.24) to Wayne & Leroy Widman. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve payment of \$2,000 to Doug Ritthaler for \$6,210 of work completed and to notify him that he possibly will not receive cost share assistance next year unless there is a surplus in the Rock & Jetty budget. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve a payment of \$3,000 to Clear Creek D & D, \$334.50 to Marin Lohff and \$5,000 to Robert Diers. 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:

- ✓ Master Plan
- ✓ LPNNRD Web Site
- ✓ Groundwater University
- ✓ GWMA Ad

b. Butler County Fair

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve registration at all remaining 1999 county fairs. Motion carried on consent agenda. The Butler County Fair will be July 29-August 1st.

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that the July 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. The Following Update Were Given:

- ☞ Well Permits
- ☞ Distribution Manifold and Calibration Meter Cost-share
- ☞ Manure testing and Software Cost Share

- ☞ Sample Kits
- ☞ Full Page Newspaper Ad
- ☞ Radio Spot for “Water Quality Today”
- ☞ Chemigation

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

A. Decommissioned Well Program

Bull made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve payment to decommission the irrigation well for Joseph Speicher for \$699.10 and the irrigation well for Robert Shanahan for \$325.29. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

B. DISTRICT MONITORING WELLS

The easement for the NRD to monitor the two well clusters of Stan Keiser’s has been signed. Sendgraff made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the easement with Stan Keiser that will allow the LPNNRD to install data loggers and sample his monitoring wells. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

C. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ⇒ Ground Water Quality - Todd Valley
- ⇒ Ground Water Quality - Platte Valley

3. SURFACE WATER

A. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ✓ Sand and Duck Creek Study

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that the July LPNNRD Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

C. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. NSWCP REPORT

a. Approve SWCP Payments

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve SWCP payments as follows:

Francis Shanle CIP \$249.39
Perry Nelson CIP \$674.00

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

a. Central Butler - NW Drainage Project

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to amend the Central Butler Project Interlocal Agreement with Upper Big Blue NRD by increasing the total engineering costs from \$36,900 to \$47,953.64. LPNNRD’s portion of the engineering costs will increase \$5,526.82 which will be reflected in the F.Y. 00 Budget. Motion carried

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Daufeldt, Jedlicka, Johannes, Johnson, Lallman, Langemeier, Mastny, Nelson, Saalfeld, Sabata, Sabatka, Sendgraff, Shelso, McDermott

NAY: Grueber

b. Skull Creek Watershed

We have received very good news from the Natural Resources Commission on Skull Creek Site 55. On June 17, the NRC obligated \$181,488 to the project for expenses related to the feasibility study, design of dam and recreation facilities and landrights. The next step will be to decide exactly how much land we want for recreation around the lake and to hire a company to complete appraisals. Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to advertise for bid, landrights appraisals for 210 acres involved with Skull Creek Dam 55, with bids to be opened one week before the August 9 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Langemeier made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to support the Elizabeth Sarno Skull Creek Meander Restoration Project by sending a support letter to the Environmental Trust with Sarno's Application. Motion carried.

AYE: Bull, Daufeldt, Johannes, Johnson, Lallman, Langemeier, Mastny, Saalfeld, Sabata, Sendgraff, Shelso, McDermott

NAY: Bailey, Grueber, Jedlicka, Nelson, Sabatka

c. Lake Wanahoo

Daufeldt made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to accept and approve the Lake Wanahoo real estate appraisals as presented. Motion carried

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Daufeldt, Jedlicka, Johannes, Johnson, Langemeier, Mastny, Nelson, Sabata, Sabatka, Sendgraff, Shelso, McDermott

NAY: Grueber

ABSTAIN: Lallman, Saalfeld

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Bull, to hire Kirkham Michael to screen Lake Wanahoo tenants to determine the number of relocation cases at a maximum cost of \$550. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Daufeldt, Grueber, Jedlicka, Johannes, Johnson, Lallman, Langemeier, Mastny, Nelson, Saalfeld, Sabata, Sabatka, Sendgraff, Shelso, McDermott

ABSTAIN: Lallman

3. ELKHORN RIVER BREAKOUT IPA

No new business this month.

4. FSA & CRP PLANS

Nelson made the motion, scnded by Johnson, to approve the following conservation plans:

Saunders County - Bob Bartek, Chad Karloff





Butler County - David Benes, Donald Wickert, Greg Stara, Mark Holoubek, Gene Hejhal,

Colfax County - Arlo Hoppe, Melvin Sahs, Adeline Sahs, John Svoboda

Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. OTHER

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

-  Livestock Waste Permits
-  Nebraska Buffer Strip Program
-  Locally Led Conservation CORE Group
-  Rawhide Creek Meeting With Dodge County

b. Platte Center Project Payment Request

Platte Center has completed tree removal from Elm Creek between the main street bridge and north to the Railroad bridge. Although not part of the recently completed Elm Creek Channel Project involving FEMA funds, this work was long identified as important to the city's channel project. On 3/15/99 the Board approved 50% cost-share up to \$1,000 toward this tree clearing effort. The total final project cost is \$1,721.50. The LPNNRD share is 50% or \$860.75 Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve \$860.75 cost-share payment to the City of Platte Center for the completed Elm Creek tree removal project after favorable staff inspection. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Larry Ohnoutka/Saunders County Special Project

On June 14, the Board approved participating on this project at a rate of 25% up to \$5,000 provided the necessary landowner and interlocal governmental agreements can be obtained. Two of the necessary agreements were approved at the June 12 Board Meeting. Sabata made the motion, seconded by Lallman, to authorize Chairman McDermott to sign the Saunders County Special Project agreement with Larry and Judy Ohnoutka and Saunders County. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Bellwood Ditch #4 Repair

A June rainstorm severely damaged Ditch #4 inlet and the county road. Butler County is in the process of requesting Emergency Watershed Program (EWP) funds from the NRCS to stabilize the county road and bridge. Likewise the LPNNRD will be requesting additional funds for Ditch #4 repair since we have project responsibility. A proposal is being developed to include both repair projects in one package. The total project package is now estimated at about \$300,000. If EWP funds the entire project at 75%, the LPNNRD may be asked to share the remaining 25% local cost with Butler County, however, details are still being worked out. Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve supporting the Bellwood Ditch #4 repair project effort with actual project assistance to be decided later. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, that the LPNNRD July Project's Committee Meeting Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

D. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

e. Reports

Reports from the National Watershed Conference are attached to the Executive Committee Minutes.

2. Management Items

a. Director Absences

No requests have been received.

b. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ◆ Pallid Sturgeon Meeting
- ◆ Pallid Sturgeon Draft Agreement
- ◆ 1999 Legislative Update

c. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

1. Interlocal Agreement Amendment

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve the draft changes to the Interlocal Agreement for the creation of the Lower Platte Corridor Alliance. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

2. NRD Partners Meeting

On July 27th there will be a meeting for the three NRD partners who are members in the Alliance. The meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. at Quarry Oaks Golf Course. Directors who will be representing the NRD at the Meeting are Dean Johnson, Ted Bailey and Ervin Bull.

d. MUD Agreement

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the MUD Stipulation and Agreement Plan, and authorize the Chair to sign such Plan and to serve orders upon MUD as stipulated in the Plan. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

e. Building Addition

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to reject all building addition bids due to a higher than estimated costs and allow JEO to work with the low bidder to see if a lower cost bid can be obtained. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. Equipment

No new business

4. Personnel

a. Salary Issues

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld to go into executive session at 9:15 p.m. to discuss salary issues. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to go out of executive session at 9:52 p.m. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Daufeldt made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve staff salary changes as recommended by the Personnel Sub-Committee and Executive Committee. These changes include an annual merit increase and adjustments not fully made after the 1998 John Cripe Salary Survey Report was received. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Daufeldt, Jedlicka, Johannes, Johnson, Lallman, Langemeier, Mastny, Sendgraff,

Shelso, McDermott

NAY: Grueber, Nelson, Saalfeld, Sabata, Sabatka

5. Finance

a. Approval of May Financial Statement

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the May Financial Statement as distributed at the June Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

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

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

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7.a. SWCP Payments

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the following payments:

	<u>Wm. Wemhoff</u>	<u>\$915.90</u>	<u>No-till Program</u>
<u>97-B-07</u>	<u>Larry Hlavac</u>	<u>\$5,942.33</u>	<u>Skull Creek Grant</u>
<u>99-BO-08</u>	<u>Scott Wallin</u>	<u>\$266.07</u>	<u>CIP - Trees</u>

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.b. Community Forestry

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to pay an additional \$80.97 to Clarkson Elementary PTA for shrub planted at the school that were accidentally omitted by the landscaper on the original bill last month. Motion carried all members present voting aye. The total amount in which the District will cost-share on this project is \$390.85.

7.c. Rock and Jetty

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to pay Chuck Folsom \$2,050 for bank stabilization work on the Elkhorn River. Motion carried all members present voting aye..

7.d. O & M Projects

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to hire Dennis' Trucking, Ceresco to haul broken concrete from Mead to Cottonwood 41-A and Czechland Lake. The rock will be used to stabilize the face of Cottonwood Dam 41-A and the back side of a silt dam at Czechland Lake. Dennis' Trucking will charge \$142/20-22 ton load, it is recommended to budget \$12,000 for the project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.e. Public Hearing Date Master Plan

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to set the public hearing date, on the draft master plan for 4:00 p.m. August 9th. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Bull 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

Nelson made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the July consent agenda. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The August Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, August 9, 1999. Time and location to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Jane Daufeldt, Secretary