

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
JUNE 12, 2000**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Winfields, David City, NE on Monday, June 12, 2000.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

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

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Bailey (arrived 7:40)	Bull	Jedlicka
Johnson	Kavan	Lallman
Langemeier	Nelson	Mastny
McDermott	Saalfeld	Sabata (arrived 7:18)
Sabatka	Sendgraff	Shelso

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Daufeldt	Grueber	Johannes (at NACD)
Wilke		

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Murren	Ross	
Greg Fetterman, LPRCA		Kreig Ritter, Banner Press
Joe Proskovec, David City		Steve Huber, Butler County NRCS
Bernard Bartunek, Bruno		Harlan Hendricks, David City

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

Steve Huber, Butler County NRCS gave an update on the latest CRP signup.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve minutes from the May 8, 2000 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. OPERATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

1. WHIP REPORT

a. Payments

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the following two WHIP payments:

<u>DeLores Meysenburg</u>	<u>Butler</u>	<u>31 acres</u>	<u>\$ 465.00</u>
<u>John Peters</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>40 acres</u>	<u>\$600.00</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. OPERATION & MAINTENANCE

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ✓ Operation and Maintenance
- ✓ Czechland Silt Dam and Sediment Removal System
- ✓ Rawhide Creek North and West Branch Studies
- ✓ Tree Program
- ✓ North Bend Slough Drainage

b. Community Forestry Program

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve a payment of \$492.42 on woody materials, mulch and labor to Cedar Bluff School. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. Payments

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve payments of \$1,000 to Delbert Snell on Wahoo Creek, \$1,650 to Gale Shields on the Platte River and \$1,481.25 to Joe Cunningham on the Elkhorn River for Rock and Jetty Work, pending inspections by staff. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

The District has not received any new complaints.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. North Bend FFA Request

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to provide \$150 to the North Bend FFA for the National FFA Leadership Conference. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Viaduct Printing

Bull made the motion, seconded by Lallman, to print a two-year supply of base stock for the Viaduct in a six-page format at a cost of \$2,410, and to add one color to the printing of individual issues at a cost of \$166 per issue. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

c. Name the Lake Contest

Thirty-eight entries were received for the contest to name Skull Creek Site #55. Bull made the motion, seconded by Lallman, to name the Lake "Bruno Homestead Lake" and it was further recommended that the district award the winner of the contest a \$100 savings bond. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

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

B. WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. REGULATORY

a. Groundwater Management Area

1. The Following Reports Were Given:

- ☞ Manure testing and Software Cost Share
- ☞ Well Permits

2. Distribution Manifold and Calibration Meter Cost-Share

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the cost share requests for two calibration meters (maximum payment of \$2,200.00) and two distribution manifolds (maximum payment of \$600.00) for Harry and Larry Kurtenbach. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to deny the cost share request by JAE Farms Inc. due to lack of providing specifications for this distribution manifold and exceeding reasonable and customary charges for a typical distribution manifold. Motion carried on consent agenda.

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

<u>Reznicek Farms</u>	<u>\$1,250.00</u>	<u>Calibration Meter and Manifold</u>
<u>Ron Morrissey</u>	<u>\$1,100.00</u>	<u>Calibration Meter</u>
<u>Jerry Sockup</u>	<u>\$907.13</u>	<u>Calibration Meter</u>
<u>Charles Emanuel</u>	<u>\$1,378.30</u>	<u>Calibration Meter and Manifold</u>
<u>Daryl Brodd</u>	<u>\$1,239.62</u>	<u>Calibration Meter and Manifold</u>
<u>FAR Enterprises Inc.</u>	<u>\$1,160.69</u>	<u>Calibration Meter and Manifold</u>
<u>Loran Houska</u>	<u>\$1,100.00</u>	<u>Calibration Meter</u>
<u>Brad Williams</u>	<u>\$1,100.00</u>	<u>Calibration Meter</u>
<u>New Branch Farms</u>	<u>\$1,160.78</u>	<u>Calibration Meter and Manifold</u>
<u>Todd Swanson</u>	<u>\$1,185.70</u>	<u>Calibration Meter and Manifold</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve payment to decommission the domestic well for Doris Behrens for \$306.50 and the three domestic wells for Randy Wheeler for a total of \$735.50. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. The Following Reports Were Given

- ★ Monitoring Wells
- ★ Ground Water Energy Levels
- ★ Well Head Protection Areas

3. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

a. The Following Reports Were Given

- Sand and Duck Creek Study
- Precipitation Gauging Network

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

C. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. SWCP REPORT

a. Approve SWCP/CIP/No-Till Payments

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

<u>00-S-26</u>	<u>Cory O'Brien</u>	<u>\$176.22</u>	<u>99-B-93</u>	<u>Bernard Bartunek</u>	<u>\$4937.16</u>
<u>00-C-27</u>	<u>Folken Feed Yard</u>	<u>\$132.00</u>	<u>99-S-50</u>	<u>Arnold Kasper</u>	<u>\$9516.82</u>
<u>00-S-28</u>	<u>Dale Kavan</u>	<u>\$192.06</u>	<u>99-B-04</u>	<u>Larry Rezac</u>	<u>\$10,331.51</u>
<u>00-S-29</u>	<u>Ernie Harold</u>	<u>\$390.72</u>		<u>David Codr</u>	<u>\$72.60</u>
<u>00-S-30</u>	<u>Bill Hannan</u>	<u>\$135.30</u>		<u>Sunnyhill Farms</u>	<u>\$148.50</u>
<u>00-S-31</u>	<u>John Bohrer</u>	<u>\$438.24</u>		<u>Mark Walkenhorst</u>	<u>\$121.88</u>
<u>00-D-32</u>	<u>Nancy O'Conner</u>	<u>\$214.50</u>		<u>Gayle Goering</u>	<u>\$154.00</u>
<u>00-P-33</u>	<u>Terry Sjuts</u>	<u>\$315.48</u>		<u>Terry Thompson</u>	<u>\$275.00</u>
<u>00-Bo-35</u>	<u>Dennis McCloud</u>	<u>\$110.51</u>		<u>James Fjuan</u>	<u>\$61.66</u>
<u>00-Bo-36</u>	<u>Joyce Temme</u>	<u>\$181.38</u>		<u>Reed Wilke</u>	<u>\$461.40</u>
<u>99-S-56</u>	<u>Stanley Fencil</u>	<u>\$9735.50</u>		<u>Wm. Wemhoff</u>	<u>\$763.25</u>
<u>99-B-85</u>	<u>Hans Zinnecker</u>	<u>\$9307.69</u>		<u>Timothy Gronenthal</u>	<u>\$673.50</u>
<u>99-S-105</u>	<u>Helen Maahs</u>	<u>\$10295.41</u>		<u>Michael Dvorak</u>	<u>\$424.00</u>
<u>99-S-58</u>	<u>Mary Alice Havlovic</u>	<u>\$4816.92</u>			
<u>99-S-59</u>	<u>Mary Alice Havlovic</u>	<u>\$4607.39</u>			

Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Dam Application Approval - Pat Shanahan

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the Pat Shanahan Small Dam Application for up to \$5,000 cost-share. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

a. Skull Creek Watershed Update

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Bull, to approve the low bid of \$288,280.08 submitted by Kobus Earth Moving, for construction of the Skull Creek #55 dam. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the following: 1. Ratify the Mazie Hoback land Purchase based on the Board's approved offer on May, 8, 2000. 2. Reaffirm the Boards landrights offers for other properties as approved on May 8, 2000. 3. Recommend allowing Management to initiate eminent domain proceeding on properties needed for the Skull Creek 55 Project on June 15, 2000, if it becomes apparent that landowner(s) are not willing to settle for the Board's final offer. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Lake Wanahoo/Western Sarpy-Clear Creek Levy Project Update

Murren updated the Board on the following:

1) The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Lake Wanahoo is being completed and a public hearing on the EIS will be held July 6th. 2) The hearing on the Nieveen vs. Saunders County and 3) Western Sarpy/Clear Creek project is on a very tight schedule for being ready for WRDA 2000 consideration.

Murren told the Board there are two Lake Wanahoo parcels which are not under a lease contract for the next two years. It was discussed that if there is no contract for these parcels that we open these areas for public use. Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Bull, to have the NRD put the two Lake Wanahoo areas that are not under two year contract to public use and proper notification be sent to the tenants and/or people in possession. Motion carried all members present voting aye. Staff was directed to begin work on the public use plan for the two areas.

3. ELKHORN RIVER BREAKOUT IPA

We will send out this year's official assessment notices to Elkhorn River Breakout IPA landowners in June.

4. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the following Conservation Plans:

<u>Robert Petschce</u>	<u>Boone</u>
<u>John Wiggs</u>	<u>Dodge</u>
<u>Raynold G. Kobza</u>	<u>Butler</u>
<u>Thomas DeWispelare X 6</u>	<u>Butler</u>
<u>Elaine Harms X 2</u>	<u>Dodge</u>
<u>John Wiggs</u>	<u>Dodge</u>
<u>Claude E Clinton Family Trust</u>	<u>Dodge</u>
<u>Michael W. Demuth</u>	<u>Butler</u>
<u>Galen Pokorny</u>	<u>Butler</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. LOCALLY LED CONSERVATION CORE GROUP REPORT

Representatives from the Shell Creek Landowners group addressed the Board on May 8 with an assistance request. The committee is to begin discussing this request and begin preparing a response. The Committee will again have an opportunity to talk with landowners from this group at the June 28 Projects Committee meeting in Platte Center.

Upcoming Locally Led Meetings

Shell Creek - June 14 in Platte Center City Auditorium

Skull/Bone - June 22 at Bruno Fire Hall

6. OTHER

1. Nebraska Buffer Strip Program

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the following Nebraska Buffer Strip Program Contracts:

<u>LPN-70</u>	<u>Jerry Newsham</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>\$54.74</u>	
<u>LPN-72</u>	<u>Paul Kettelson</u>	<u>Platte</u>	<u>\$204.77</u>	
<u>LPN-78</u>	<u>Loye Max Steinbach</u>	<u>Dodge</u>	<u>\$117.57</u>	<u>Motion carried on consent agenda.</u>

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

D. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Report

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes is a report from Cam Conrad on the GIS Symposium

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence

None Received.

b. Building

1. Change Orders

Two change orders have been received. The first is to place new carpeting in Breunig's office at a cost of \$615. The second allows additional electric and data outlets in the copy room at a price of \$1,550. Langemeier made the motion, seconded by Sabata, to approve the change order to add new carpeting to Breunig's office and not pay \$1,550 for electrical work to the copy room. Motion carried. McDermott and Miyoshi were directed to meet with Stephen Granger, JEO to discuss the copy room change order.

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

NAY: Bailey

2. Payment Request

Sendgraff made the motion, seconded by Bull, to approve the payment request received by Gifford Realty in the amount of \$34,020. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

c. Clear Creek/Western Sarpy Levee Study

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to make payment of \$7,500 for Amendment 7 to the Lower Platte River Feasibility Study as approved at the May Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Friends of the Environmental Trust - attachment

Two years ago a group formed and titled themselves "Friends of the Environmental Trust" the purpose of the group was to see that funds from the trust are not raided, but kept for their original environmental purposes. This group is recommending that a contract be signed with American Communications Group to promote these efforts. Contracted parties include the Nature Conservancy, Audubon Nebraska, Pheasants Forever, Ducks Unlimited, Safari Club International, Nebraska Association of Resources District, Nebraska Council of Sportsmen Club. The group is attempting to raise \$36,000 to pay for efforts during the next fiscal year. NARD is attempting to raise \$5,000 from NRDs which have used trust monies as their portion of funding Friends of the Trust. Lower Platte North NRD is one of the largest users of the Trust Fund, therefore a recommended contribution is \$750. Shelso made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to pay \$750 to NARD to use towards their efforts with the Friends of the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Bull, Lallman, Langemeier, Mastny, Nelson, Saalfeld, Sabata, Sendgraff, Shelso, McDermott

NAY: Jedlicka, Johnson, Kavan, Sabatka

3. Equipment

No new business.

4. Personnel

a. Adjustment of Midpoints

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to adjust NRD position midpoints as published in the State Salary Survey and Department of Labor Workforce Development report. As attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. I&E Specialist Job Description

Thompson has exceeded the Districts expectations and a job description change to reflect the work that he currently does is warranted. Johnson made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to add a new job title I&E Specialist II and tie the job description to State Salary Code 223. Recommendation carried.

c. Salary Adjustments for F.Y. 01

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Lallman, to go into executive session at 9:07 p.m. to discuss salaries. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Bull, to go out of executive session at 9:36 p.m. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Sendgraff, to approve a 6.9% base adjustment or \$47,000 to the salary budget line. This budget increase includes three job description changes, the addition of our Well Head Protection position, additional clerical assistance and 5.1% (\$26,773) for increases to be distributed by merit for F.Y. 01. Motion carried.

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

NAY: Langemeier

5. Finance

a. Financial Reports

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the March financial report as distributed with Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

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

c. Annual Audit Contract

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to hire HBE to once again do our Annual Audit at a cost not to exceed \$5,600. Motion carried on consent agenda.

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

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7.a. CIP Payment:

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the following CIP Payment:

Jon Muehlich CIP Payment \$126.28

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.b. Fremont 4-H Fair

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to donate \$50 to the Fremont Fair which will be held July 23-27. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.c. Wellhead Protection Signs

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to purchase 20 Wellhead Protection Area Signs at a cost of \$820. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.d. Fertilizer Cost-Share Payments

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to make payment to Larry Kurtenbach and Harry Kurtenbach in the amount of \$1,184 each towards the purchase of a fertilizer calibration meter and anhydrous distribution manifolds. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to allocate an additional \$18.90 to FAR Enterprises, Inc. towards the purchase of a manifold which they are eligible for. Motion carried all members present voting aye..

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to allocate an additional \$150.00 to JAE Farms towards the purchase of this manifold which they are eligible for. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.e. Lower Platte River Feasibility Study

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve and authorize Manager to sign "Amendment 8" to the "Lower Platte River and Tributaries Feasibility Study." Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.f. Bank Stabilization - Approve Payment

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to make payment on three Bank Stabilization projects, \$1,000 to Jim McDermott for bank stabilization on Sand Creek, \$1,437.50 to Bill Stewart and \$1,000 to Doug Ritthaler for work accomplished on the Platte River all pending staff inspection. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.g. Land Survey - Czechland Hydrosuction Project

Sabata made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve a land survey by GLS Surveying for approximately \$400 - \$500 and to purchase 4+/- acres at a price of \$830/acre from Mr. Steve Ourada for the construction of the sediment dam and hydrosuction project at Czechland Lake. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that all 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 Saalfeld, to approve the amended May consent agenda. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

No comments.

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The July Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, July 10, 2000. Time and location to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Jane Daufeldt, Secretary