

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
JUNE 9, 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, June 9, 2008.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

The advanced notice of our June board meeting was published on May 22, 2008 in the Banner Press, Columbus Telegram, Fremont Tribune, Schuyler Sun and Wahoo Newspaper.

Chair Jedlicka informed those present that a copy of the "Open Meeting Act" is posted for public viewing.

Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Bull	Boyd	
Eden	Hannah	Hilger
Johannes	Johnson	Kavan
Meduna	Pieke	Reitmayer
Renter	Saalfeld	Sabatka
Veskerna	Vrana	Jedlicka

DIRECTORS ABSENT

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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Breunig	Miyoshi	Murren
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Sign in sheet attached to original minutes.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. Guest Comments

None

b. NRCS Report

Roger Reitmuth reviewed his written report.

c. NARD Report

Johnson reported on the upcoming NARD Board Meeting and Basin Tour.

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to direct Manager Miyoshi to attend and

give testimony supporting the proposal to drop the engineering requirement from the DNR Director qualifications at the LR377 Hearing in North Platte on June 24, 2008. Motion carried.

AYE: Boyd, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Pieke, Reitmajer, Renter, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Veskerna, Vrana, Jedlicka

NAY: Hilger

d. NRC Report

Johannes reported on the NRC Meeting that was held May 14-15.

e. Managers Report

Manager Miyoshi reviewed his written report.

e. Education Program

Manager Miyoshi and Chair Jedlicka gave a presentation on the Shell Creek flooding that occurred in Schuyler on May 31.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve minutes from the May 12, 2008 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

1. ASDSO (American Society of Dam Safety Officials)

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to send one staff to the ASDSO Conference, September 6-10, 2008 Indian Wells, California. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Reports - None

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence - None

b. Bob Weaver

1. Monthly Report - Update Given

2. Monthly Bill

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve payment of \$2,500 to Bob Weaver and bill LPSNRD and Papio NRD for their share. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Sub-District 3 Vacancy

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Renter, to appoint William Taylor to fill the vacancy in sub-district 3. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

At this time William Taylor took his oath of office.

d. Open Meetings Law Workshop - Update Given

e. Monthly Education Program - Update Given

f. 404 Permits - Update Given

g. Lower Platte Basin Coalition

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to budget \$4,000 for F.Y. 2009 for dues to the Lower Platte Basin Coalition. Motion carried on consent agenda.

h. Ground Water Foundation Endowment

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to contribute \$200 to the Ground Water Foundation Endowment. Motion carried on consent agenda.

i. Water Resources Advisor Panel - Update Given

j. Internal Control Memo - Update Given

3. Equipment - None

4. Personnel

a. F.Y. 2009 Salary Adjustments

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Vrana, to budget \$995,196 for F.Y. 2009 salaries which is a \$46,179 increase over F.Y. 2008. This would reflect an increase of 3.5% for COLA plus 1.366 % for merit as distributed by the matrix. Motion carried.

AYE: Boyd, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Johannes, Meduna, Pieke, Reitmajer, Renter, Veskerna, Vrana, Jedlicka

NAY: Johnson, Kavan, Saalfeld, Sabatka

ABSTAIN: Taylor

b. Review of Individual Performance Evaluations

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the 2008 Personnel Evaluations and instruct Management to make adjustments to reflect rating differences between Supervisors. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Adjust Salary Category

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, that 100% of Mike Murren's salary for F.Y. 2008 be adjusted to reflect his time spent on the Lake Wanahoo Project (the three partnering agencies will be billed accordingly). Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Adjustment of Rural Water Salary Costs

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to allow Mike Sousek to work on certifying irrigated acres and bill the Water Department for actual time spent on this project. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Statements

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the April Financial Statement as distributed at the May Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve Manager Miyoshi's time and expense sheets as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Accounts Receivable Over 90 Days - Update Given

d. Remove Item from Accounts Receivable

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to write off Dave Kastl's \$225 balance from the accounts receivable. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. Budget - Update Given

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

B. EDUCATION, OPERATION & RURAL WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. WHIP/WILD NE REPORT

a. Payments - None

2. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

a. Operation and Maintenance - Update Given

b. Equipment - Update Given

c. Advertise to Hay Recreation Areas

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to advertise for bid, haying of approximately 45 acres at Czechland and 23 acres at Homestead recreation areas. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. South Fremont 205 Study - Update Given

e. Bellwood Dam 6-F Easement - Update Given

f. Jim Pokorski Memorial - Update Given

g. Rawhide Ditch 8 - Update Given

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. New Applications - None

b. Payment Requests

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to pay Frank Stanek \$559.62 for his rock and jetty work accomplished on the Platte River. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to pay Clear Creek Drainage District \$1,682.76 for rock and jetty work, this amount will get their cost-share rate to 50% at the close of the fiscal year. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS - Update Given

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Information

1. NRD MapMaker Redesign - Update Given

2. Viaduct - Update Given

b. Education

1. Spring Conservation Sensation - Update Given

c. Computer

1. Upgrades - Update Given

6. RURAL WATER ACTIVITIES

a. Bruno/David City Rural Water - Update Given

b. Colon/Wahoo Rural Water System - Update Given

c. Prague - Update Given

d. Abie/Linwood - Update Given

e. Bellwood - Update Given

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, that the June LPNNRD Education, Operations 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 Permit Program

a. Well Permits Approved - Update Given

2. Stay Management Areas

a. Morse Bluff SubArea - Update Given

b. Variance Requests

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to send a letter to Leo Eller, Gary Yindrick, and Kent Moravec giving them 30 days to update the county assessor's records and to submit the required documents to DNR to update the State registered well database in order for their variance request to be approved. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. Cost-Share Programs

a. GWEL Network, Irrigation Flow Meter Cost-Share - Update Given

b. Irrigation Well Sample Kits - Update Given

c. Domestic Well Sample Kits - Update Given

4. Nitrogen Certification - Update Given

5. David City Aquifer Level 1-A Area - Update Given

6. Bellwood Phase II Area - Update Given

7. Richland/Schuyler Phase II Area- Update Given

b. Chemigation - Update Given

c. Livestock Waste Permits - Update Given

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

1. Well Estimates - Update Given

2. Plugged Wells

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve cost share payment to

decommission the domestic and irrigation wells for Robinson Meadowbrooke for a total cost share of \$952.93. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. LPNNRD Ground Water Studies

1. Sub-Area Delineation Study - Update Given

2. LPNNRD Platte River Ground Water Model - Update Given

3. Elkhorn Loup Model (ELM) - Update Given

4. Eastern Nebraska Water Resources Assessment (ENWRA) - Update Given

c. Ground Water Energy Levels - Update Given

d. Ground Water Quality - Statewide Network - Update Given

3. SURFACE WATER

a. Shell Creek Gauge - Update Given

4. OTHER

a. Water Programs Budget for FY 08-09

b. Staffing Needs - Update Given

c. Comments from the Public - Update Given

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, that the June LPNNRD Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

D. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. SWCP REPORT

a. SWCP Applications Approval

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the following small dam application additional funding requests:

		<u>Approved \$</u>	<u>Add'l Requested</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>08-S-01</u>	<u>Sterling Grell</u>	<u>\$3,365.86</u>	<u>\$1,955.00</u>	<u>\$5,321.86</u>
<u>07-S-04</u>	<u>Daniel Ourada</u>	<u>\$5,761.00</u>	<u>\$3,739.00</u>	<u>\$9,500.00</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. SWCP Payments

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the following SWCP payments:

		<u>Approved</u>	<u>Request</u>
<u>Hill & Valley Farms</u>	<u>Planned grazing</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,098.75</u>

TREES:

Brad Smith , Butler,	415 trees	\$311.25	\$ 311.25
Robert Heying Jr., Boone	200 trees	\$162.00	\$ 164.25
Larry Karel, Colfax	500 trees	\$375.00	\$ 375.00
<u>Motion carried on consent agenda.</u>			

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the following SWCP payment:

	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Request</u>
Charles Hobza Irrigation Flow Meter	\$595.00	\$500.00	\$508.00
<u>Motion carried on consent agenda.</u>			

c. SWCP Cancellations - None

d. Duck/Sand Creek 319 Grant Payments

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the following Sand/Duck cost-share payment:

	<u>75%</u>	<u>15% SWCP</u>
Dwayne Sedlacek	\$2,962.99	\$592.60
<u>Motion carried on consent agenda.</u>		

e. SWCP Application for Converting Grassland to Cropland

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to not deviate from current NRD policy and past NRD precedence and not approve Roger Harder's SWCP terrace application to convert grassland to cropland. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS - Update Given

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

None

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUPS

a. Shell Creek Watershed Improvement Group - Update Given

5. LOWER PLATTE RIVER CORRIDOR ALLIANCE

a. Monthly Report - Update Given

6. OTHER

a. Update on COE 205 Studies

1. South Fremont - Update Given

2. Schuyler

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve paying NDNR's bill for \$2,341.80, as attached, for completing a photogramatic survey needed for the Schuyler 205 Study and as previously authorized by the Board. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. District-Wide All Hazard Mitigation Plan - Update Given

c. Loess Hills RC&D - Dues Request

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to pay \$300 annual dues to the Loess Hills RC&D. Motion carried.

AYE: Boyd, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Pieke, Reitmajer, Renter, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Veskerna, Vrana, Jedlicka

ABSTAIN: Taylor

d. Platte Center Payment Request - \$840

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve a \$840 cost share payment to Platte Center for work completed on their bank stabilization project. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. City of Wahoo Maple Street Trail Project Payment Request

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve payment of \$2,534.85 (50% of the local expense) toward Wahoo's first bill for their trails project. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

a. Review of Lake Wanhoo Committee Business - Update Given

b. Final Payment to L.J. Webb for County Road O Bridge Project

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve final payment of \$56,449.03 to L.J. Webb for completing the County Road "O" Bridge Project. Motion carried.

AYE: Boyd, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Pieke, Reitmajer, Renter, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Veskerna, Vrana, Jedlicka

ABSTAIN: Taylor

c. NDEQ Interest Payment Request on SRF Loan

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the \$4,265.39 SRF interest payment to NDEQ as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Proposal for Additional Work For Seven Upstream Structures

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to recommend hiring Mike Sotak with Tetra Tech, for up to \$11,000, to complete additional engineering work, as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes, for the proposed seven upstream structures above future Lake Wanhoo. Motion carried.

AYE: Boyd, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Pieke, Reitmajer, Renter, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Veskerna, Vrana, Jedlicka

ABSTAIN: Taylor

e. Approval of NDOR Agreement for Highway 77 Bypass

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to approve the attached agreement with NDOR for constructing the Highway 77 bypass in conjunction with Lake Wanahoo's embankment. Motion carried.

AYE: Boyd, Bull, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Pieke, Reitmajer, Renter, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Veskerna, Vrana, Jedlicka

ABSTAIN: Taylor

9. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT - Update Given

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to accept and place on file the June Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7a. Decommissioned Well Payment

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve cost-share payment to decommission the domestic well for Brad Williams for a total cost of \$401.46. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7b. SWCP Payments

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

<u>Charles McEvoy</u>	<u>465 Trees</u>	<u>\$348.75 (75%)</u>
<u>Chris Nelson</u>	<u>426 Trees</u>	<u>\$106.50 (25%)</u>
<u>Jeffery Scherzberg</u>	<u>825 Tress</u>	<u>\$206.26 (25%)</u>
<u>Charles Hobza</u>	<u>Flow Meter</u>	<u>\$508.00 (75%)</u>
<u>Brian Hula</u>	<u>Crop Ground to Grass</u>	<u>\$881.47 (75%)</u>
<u>City of Wahoo</u>	<u>Crop Ground to Grass</u>	<u>\$591.14 (75%)</u>

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7c. Sand/Duck Creek Grant Payment

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the following Sand/Duck Creek Payments:

<u>Robert Paseka</u>	<u>Septic System Renovation</u>	<u>\$3,300 (60%)</u>
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Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Vrana made the motion, seconded by Renter, to approve the June consent agenda.
Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The July Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, July 14, 2008, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Discussion on all agenda items that have "Update Given" can be found in corresponding Committee Minutes.

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 June 9, 2008, 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.

Ralph Pieke, Secretary