

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
MAY 8, 2006

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, May 8, 2006.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than April 27, 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
Meduna	Pieke	Reitmajer
Saalfeld	Sabatka	Johannes

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Schmid

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Murren	Gottschalk	Angle
Oaklund	Bomberger	Sousek

Sign in sheet attached to original minutes

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. Guest Comments

b. NRCS Report

None

c. NARD Report

Johnson reported on the final Legislative Session Report attached to the Executive Committee Minutes.

d. Managers Report

Manager Miyoshi reviewed his written report.

e. Education Program

Lower Platte North NRD Water Department updated the Board on ground water level readings. We have reached our water quantity trigger levels for the Central Butler County Aquifer, LPNNRD water staff explained what this means and options we need to look at to keep the aquifer sustainable.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve minutes from the April 10, 2006 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

NACD Regional Conference

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to authorize one board and one staff person to attend the NACD Regional Conference, June 5-6 in South Dakota. Motion carried on consent agenda.

GMDA Summer Conference

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to authorize two staff and two directors to attend the GMDA Summer Conference in Jackson Hole. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Reports

The following meeting reports are attached to the Executive Committee Minutes.

Women's Council Day - Leu

NARD Washington, DC trip - Mountford

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence

Reitmayer made the motion, seconded by Bull, to approve Director Schmid's absence from the January Board Meeting and Director Eden's absence from the March Board Meeting. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance - Update Given

c. Bob Weaver Report and Request

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to authorize up to an additional \$2,000 for FY 06 on Weaver Expenses and inform Weaver that we will only budget \$8,000 next fiscal year for services provided by his firm. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Bob Weaver Bill

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the Weaver bill for March in the amount of \$2,041.67. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

e. Legislation - Update Given

f. May Education Program - Update Given

g. Papio NRD Manager - Update Given

h. UBBNRD Lawsuit

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to contact the Ground Water Coalition urging them to file as a friend or in support of Upper Big Blue NRD in their lawsuit against DNR on setting integrated management boundaries. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. Equipment - None

4. Personnel - None

a. TSP Position - Update Given

b. F.Y. 07 Salary Ranges - Attachment

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to approve the FY 06-07 Salary Ranges as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

5. Finance

a. March Financial Statements

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the March Financial Statements as distributed to Directors. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the Managers expenses as attached to the Executive Committee Agenda. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

c. Accounts Receivable Over 90 Days

One receivable over 90 days is currently out which is from a partnering agency.

d. Cash Reserve Level

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to budget \$40,000 for a water/projects sinking fund, annually for 5 years until the fund contains \$200,000. Once the fund reaches \$200,000, money will only be budgeted to replenish the fund back to the maximum level. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, that the May 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

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve a Wildlife Habitat contract payment for Larry Loske, Platte County for \$221.76. Motion carried on consent agenda.

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. Grass Drill Rental Agreements

Koertner Made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the Grass Drill Rental agreements for another year for Rezac and Goering. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Rawhide Ditch 8 - Report Given

f. 2005 Ice Jam Fund Update - Report Given

g. Conservation Tree Program

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the NRD Tree Program Interlocal Agreement between the NRD and NARD for ordering and paying for conservation trees from the U.S. Forest Service, the agreement will run until September 30, 2009. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. Payment Requests

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to make a Rock and Jetty payment to pay Dr. James Drahota for \$1,000 (which is 50%) for maintenance work accomplished on the Platte River in Colfax County pending staff inspection. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

NRCS plans to evaluate the drainage area near the Timbercrest Housing area in Yutan.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Education

1. Aquinas Geo-caching - Update Given

2. Soil and Water Stewardship - Update Given

3. Youth Fishing Training - Update Given

4. Spring Conservation Sensation - Update Given

b. Information

1. County Fairs

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve \$400 for registering for four 2006 county fairs. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. Fremont 4-H Fair

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to contribute \$250 for the 2006 Fremont 4-H Fair. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. RURAL WATER ACTIVITIES

a. Abie/Linwood - Report Given

b. Bruno/David City Rural Water

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to ratify an authorize General Manager to sign the contract with JEO to complete the David City/Bruno waterline project at a cost of \$16,350. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve the following payments on the Bruno Rural Water Line: Rutjens Construction - \$77,654.34 (for construction work); City of David City - \$65,000 (for hook-up fee) and Snyder Engineering Final Payment - \$2,758.39 (engineering). Motion carried all members present voting aye.

c. Colon / Wahoo Rural Water System

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to accept the low bid, approve the construction contract and authorize the General Manager to sign said contract with M.E. Collins Contracting Co. for the "2006 Water System Improvements – Transmission Main Project" of the Colon/Wahoo Rural Water System with a total price of \$541,853.27 and a completion date of October 1, 2006 contingent on approval from USDA Rural Development, Southeast Nebraska Development District and the approval of the 1st amendment to the Water Purchase Contract with the Wahoo Board of Public Works. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Koertner, to accept the low bid, approve the construction contract and authorize the General Manager to sign said contract with Gen-Mech Contractors, Inc. for the "Municipal Water Meters Project" of the Colon/Wahoo Rural Water Systems with a total price of \$67,748.00 and a completion date of October 1, 2006 contingent on approval from USDA Rural Development, Southeast Nebraska Development District and the approval of the 1st amendment to the

Water Purchase Contract with the Wahoo Board of Public Works. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Richland / Columbus Rural Water System - Report Given

e. Cedar Bluffs - Report Given

f. Bellwood - Report Given

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, that the May 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 Permits

The total number approved permits for 2006 is 35.

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 - Update Given

b. Chemigation - Update Given

c. Livestock Waste

1. Livestock Permits - Update Given

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

1. Well Estimates - Update Given

2. Plugged Wells

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve cost share payment to decommission the irrigation well for Geraldine Behle for \$567.34, a stock well for Gary Seier for \$320.06, an irrigation well for Hough Brothers for \$445.87, an

irrigation well for Kenneth Miller for \$642.13 and an irrigation well for Moser Engine Service Trust for \$620.36. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Well Head Protection Areas - Update Given

c. Ground Water Quality

1. Columbus Area Aquifer Study

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to allow use of LPNNRD staff time to assist with landowner contacts to facilitate sampling efforts by DEQ and to pay for the analysis of up to five nitrogen isotope samples for a total of \$750.00. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Ground Water Quantity

1. LPNNRD Ground Water Energy Levels - Update Given

2. Multi-Agency Wann Basin Ground Water Energy Levels - Update Given

e. LPNNRD Monitoring Wells - Update Given

f. Former Ordnance Plant Mead - Update Given

g. MUD and Landowner Survey

1. MUD Quarterly Report - Update Given

h. Star Breeding Monitoring Wells

3. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

a. Fremont State Lakes - Update Given

4. OTHER

a. Groundwater Management Districts Association - Update Given

b. Summer Inters - Update Given

c. Spring Conservation Sensation - Update Given

d. Comments from the Public - Update Given

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, that the May LPNNRD 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

None

b. SWCP Approvals

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the following SWCP Summer Applications:

<u>Phyllis Nelson</u>	<u>Terraces and Tile</u>	<u>\$ 4,500.00</u>
<u>Charles Proskovec</u>	<u>Terraces and Tile</u>	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>
<u>Edna Mumm Widman</u>	<u>Flow meter</u>	<u>\$ 425.00</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Tree/Shrub Approvals

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the following SWCP Tree applications:

<u>Donald Schulz</u>	<u>Saunders</u>	<u>300 Trees</u>	<u>\$75</u>
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Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. SWCP Payments - Update Given

e. Duck Creek Approvals - Update Given

f. Duck Creek Payments

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the following Duck Creek SWCP septic tank cost-share payment:

<u>John Chado</u>	<u>Septic System</u>	<u>\$6,600</u>	<u>60%</u>	<u>\$3,300 (max. cost-share)</u>
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Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

None

3. FSA , EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

None

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUPS

a. Shell Creek Improvement Group

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve 50%, up to \$707.30 assistance, to the Newman Grove High School for this summer's water testing supplies for Shell Creek. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. OTHER

a. Clear Creek Dike and Drainage District Project

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve a \$1,388.70 cost share payment to the Clear Creek Dike and Drainage District for replacing an access Bridge over the Creek with a 36" tube on the Kevin Ziegenbein property, contingent on receipt of an itemized bill and staff inspection. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Update on Army COE 205 Studies

1. South Fremont 205 - Update Given

2. Schuyler 205 - Update Given

3. North Bend 205 - Update Given

c. Flood Water Dam Breach Routing - Update Given

6. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT - Update Given

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

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to accept and place on file the May Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Duck Creek Grant

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve the following Application and Payment:

Application

Eugene Tomsicek Septic System Replacement \$3,300 (60% max cost-share)

Payment

Bob Dauel Terraces and Tile \$13,640.43

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.b. SWCP

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to approve the following SWCP

Application and Payments:

Application

Daniel Ourada Converting cropland to grass 25 acres \$1,132.50

Payment

05-Bo-44 Zane Wondercheck Planned Grazing \$1,909.50

05-B-15 Jerry Roh (ROH Farms) Terraces and Tile \$5,967.09

05-B-20 Mary Ann Shuey Terraces and Tile \$14,838.33

Motion carried on consent agenda.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Johnson 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

Koertner made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the May consent agenda as amended. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The June Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, June 12, 2006, 7:00 p.m. Lower Platte North NRD Office.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 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 May 8, 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