

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 1999**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, November 8, 1999.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than October 28, 1999. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS

DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Bull	Grueber (arrived 6:15)	Jedlicka
Johannes	Johnson	Kavan
Lallman	Langemeier	Nelson
Mastny	McDermott	Saalfeld
Sabata (arrived 5:53)	Sabatka	Sendgraff
Shelso		

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Bailey	Daufeldt	Wilke
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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Murren	Heimann	Conrad
Kristin Uhing		
Brad Soncksen, Saunders County NRCS		Bob Couton, Wahoo State Bank
Ken Kotera, Butler County NRCS		Liz Neal, Wahoo Newspaper

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

Soncksen made a few comments on EQIP applications, terrace staking and workload analysis meetings that they have been conducting.

Johannes made a few comments on the upcoming NARD Board Meeting and retirement changes that are going to be taking place.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the minutes from the October 11, 1999 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. OPERATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

1. WHIP REPORT

a. Payments

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve five WHIP contracts, Shirley Johannes in Colfax County, \$630, Lloyd Long in Platte, \$612.50, Duane Svehla in Butler, \$105, Susan Bollwitt in Saunders, \$140 and Stanley Egr in Saunders County, \$735, for a total payment of \$2,222.50..

Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. OPERATION & MAINTENANCE

a. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ✓ North Bend Slough Drainage
- ✓ Nebraska Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee
- ✓ Czechland Wetland Grants
- ✓ Rawhide Creek North and West Branch Studies

b. Bellwood Channel 4

Bull made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to accept the low bid from Kohl Construction at a cost of \$66,862 using Type B Limestone for the Bellwood Channel 4 Bank Stabilization Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. Payments

None

b. Skull Creek Bank Stabilization Agreement

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve an agreement between Saunders County, LPN NRD and Stanley Shavlik to protect 150' of Skull Creek bank which has the potential to damage county road 31, NRD funds will be used from the Rock and Jetty Program and are not to exceed \$1,000. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve a new Rock and Jetty application for Jerry Proctor of Saunders County at a allocation of \$1,000. 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:

- ✓ Digital Camera and Laser Printer
- ✓ Land Judging
- ✓ Name the Lake Contest

b. Long Range Plan

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Lallman, to approve the Long Range Plan as presented during the workshop. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, that the November 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:

- ☞ Distribution Manifold and Calibration Meter Cost-share
- ☞ Manure testing and Software Cost Share
- ☞ Sample Kits
- ☞ Well Permits
- ☞ N-Serve Demonstration Plot

2. Newspaper Ad

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to place an ad in all the area newspapers in early December and January mentioning the NRD's cost share programs with an advertising cost not to exceed \$1,400.00. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. Vadose Zone Sampling

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Sendgraff, that the LPNNRD seek bid proposals from area Contractors for the Vadose Zone sampling with a cost not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$5,400.00. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

A. Decommissioned Well Program

Jedlicka made the motion, seconded by Sendgraff, to approve payment to decommission the domestic well for Bill Rytych for \$263.59, a hand dug well for Louis Kavan for \$319.01, a domestic well for Hilda Simodynes for \$339.19 and the two domestic wells for Marcia Otte for \$460.50.. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

B. The Following Updates Were Given:

- * LPNNRD Monitoring Wells
- * Ground Water Energy Levels
- * Former Ordnance Plant Mead
- * Saunders County Rural Water Study
- * Groundwater Quality - Todd and Platte Valley

4. SURFACE WATER

A. The Following Updates Were Given:

- ✓ Sand and Duck Creek Study
- ✓ Ambient Stream Gauging Network

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

C. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. SWCP REPORT

a. Approve SWCP Payments

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the following SWCP payments:

<u>99-S-24</u>	<u>Tom Ochsner</u>	<u>\$5,389.29</u>
<u>99-S-19</u>	<u>Don Anderson</u>	<u>\$4,263.44</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Cancel SWCP Applications

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to cancel SWCP applications as follows:

99-S-74 Bev Paseka

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Approve Applications

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the following SWCP applications:

Platte County Angeline Becher \$3,500.00

Colfax County Mark Walkenhorst \$ 363.67

Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. CIP Incentive Program Payment

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the following CRP Incentive Program payment (CIP):

Greg Wilke \$160.00

Motion carried on consent agenda

e. Skull Creek Priority Land Treatment Watershed

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to discontinue new SWCP approvals above Skull Creek Site 55 at the 90% cost-share rate, effective January 1, 2000. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. WATERSHEDS

a. Skull Creek

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to extend the contract for appraisals on the Skull Creek 55 project with Bob Liliedahl, Agri-Plex Appraisal to December 1, 1999. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Lake Wanahoo

Miyoshi and Murren presented the following:

1) Game & Parks Meeting

The G&P Commission passed a resolution to accept Lake Wanahoo as a State Park area subject to funding approval from the Legislative.

2) COE Meeting

The COE is still very optimistic about Lake Wanahoo and the seven upstream dams being the final alternate for their environmental restoration project. Olsson Environmental Science is continuing to move this project forward toward final approval.

3) Landrights for Lake Wanahoo

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to accept the appraisal update on the Hoffman tract changing 12.29 acres of woodland to pastureland. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to ratify approval of the Doris Engle purchase agreement at the appraised value. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. ELKHORN RIVER BREAKOUT IPA




No new business

4. FSA & CRP PLANS

No new plans received.

5. OTHER

a. The Following Updates Were Given:





-  Livestock Waste Permits
-  Locally Led CORE Group
-  Tom Hurza Conservation Job

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, that the November LPNNRD Projects Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

D. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

-  GMDA Annual Conference
-  NARD Washington DC Conference
-  NACD National Convention
-  Hydro Politics Seminar

1. Management Items

a. Director Absences

No Director absences were received from previous Board Meetings.

b. NACD Legislative Fund

A letter has been received from Clint Johannes and Dean Edson concerning hiring a lobbyist for the NACD Office in Washington. The current proposal is to have this job preformed by a lobbying firm in Washington and each District across the nation is being asked to contribute \$500 toward the effort. Johannes made the motion, seconded by Jedlicka, to approve contributing to the NACD Lobbying Effort in the amount of \$500. Motion carried.

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

NAY: Jedlicka

c. Building

The current bidding process for the Building Addition will have bids being opened Thursday, December 9th. JEO will submit a price to the District that they are willing to sell their current building for. The JEO building contains 12,800 square feet of office space, plus six garage slots. The firm also owns 7 city lots south across the street from their current building which would be suitable for a shop. The current needs for the District for office space is about 8,000 square feet. Miyoshi contacted the USDA offices who currently lease 3,000 square foot of office space plus an additional 2,000 square feet of shared space such as halls and restrooms. The current price USDA is paying for this space in Wahoo is \$11.91 per square foot. The Executive Committee instructed Staff to contact a local realtor to get a market analysis of the value of our current office building.

3. Equipment

a. Network Upgrade and Computer Purchase

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Mastny, to follow staff recommendations with the following computer purchases being made at the vendor that gives us the best price. Total estimated cost on price is \$4,820 to Gateway Computers for purchase of two computers, \$1,099 for a 3Com Base network switch; \$480 for a large SCSI hard drive for the stand alone server and two updated 3Com network cards at a cost of \$137 each. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

4. Personnel

a. Recognition Banquet

It was the suggestion of the Executive Committee that the program portion of our recognition banquet be no longer than hour. The schedule for the December 13th event will be social hour from 6:00 to 7:00 dinner from 7:00 to 8:00 with the program from 8:00 to 9:00.

5. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Reports

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the July, August and September Financial Reports as distributed. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

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

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

c. Lake Wanahoo Funding Update

Murren gave an update on funding for the Lake Wanahoo land purchase. All three entities the NRD, City and County have approved the interlocal agreement for the NRD to borrow the 4 Million dollars necessary to purchase the Lake Wanahoo properties. Wahoo State Bank is receiving the final legal necessities for allowing them to proceed with the transaction. Local banks in Wahoo, Saunders County and the NRD will be contacted if they wish to be part of the loan agreement. Bob Couton will be leading this effort making individual contacts with each one of these banks. During the November Board Meeting a list of banks within the District will be reviewed and any Board Members who have a relationship with any of these banks could accompany Couton to these individual meetings. This effort by our elected directors is greatly appreciated by Wahoo State Bank. Kavan made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the banking resolution with Wahoo State Bank and authorize the Board Chair to sign necessary documents for a loan agreement of \$4 million for land purchase for the Lake Wanahoo Project. Motion carried.

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

ABSTAIN: Sabatka

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7.a. SWCP Approve Applications

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

<u>99-S-103</u>	<u>Gary Musilek</u>		<u>\$5,000</u>
<u>99-S-104</u>	<u>Mott/Jones</u>	<u>LTA</u>	<u>\$3,500</u>

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.b. SWCP Cancel Application

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to cancel the following application:

99-S-43 COE \$258.28

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.c. Elkhorn Breakout Rock

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to waive the normal bidding process and have

Dennis Trucking haul 2,000 - 2,500 ton of rock to the Elkhorn Breakout at a cost not to exceed

\$10,000. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

7.d. Public Notice of Expenses

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to publish notice of expenses in the Wahoo

Newspaper and Banner Press under the past arrangements. Motion carried all members present

voting aye.

7.e. Sale of David City Property

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to authorize the chairman to sign the closing

statement and warranty deed on the sale of the David City property. Motion carried all members

present voting aye.

7.f. Wahoo State Bank Corporate Resolution

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to renew the Corporate Resolution authorizing a

banking resolution with Wahoo State Bank following our normal procedures and authorize the

updating of necessary officer and staff signatures. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Langemeier, that all bills be approved and warrants be drawn

in payment of same. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the November consent agenda by deleting

6.D.2.b, Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The December Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, December 13, 1999. Time and

location to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.