

LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES  
BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 8, 2007

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Thursday, March 8, 2007.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

The advanced notice of our February board meeting was published on February 22, 2007 in the Banner Press, Columbus Telegram, Fremont Tribune, North Bend Eagle, Schuyler Sun and Wahoo Newspaper.

Vice-Chair Bailey 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:

Alm (arrived 5:55)	Bailey	Boyd
Eden	Hannah	Hilger
Johannes	Johnson	Kavan
Meduna	Pieke	Reitmajer
Renter	Saalfeld	Vrana
Jedlicka (arrived 5:55)		

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Bruner	Bull	Sabatka
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STAFF AND GUESTS:

Mountford	Breunig	Miyoshi
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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

A written report prepared by Doug Wagner was handed out.

c. NARD Report

Johnson reported on the NARD Board Meeting, the proposed F.Y. 2008 Budget and the current status of our self directed health insurance program.

d. Managers Report

Manager Miyoshi gave his report.

e. Education Program

Jim Brown and Bob Kobza updated the Board on the proposed David City Ethanol Plant.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve minutes from the February 12, 2007 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings

a. Pending

1. Nebraska Water Law Conference - Update Given

2. National Watershed Coalition

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve up to two Directors and two Staff to attend the National Watershed Coalition, May 20-23 in LaCross, Wisconsin. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. Nebraska Water Tour

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve up to four Directors and two Staff to attend the Nebraska Water Tour, June 4-7 to New Mexico. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Reports

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes are reports from Jedlicka and Barkley from the GMDA Annual meeting and Clint Johannes from the NACD Annual Meeting. Also attached is a report from Ralph Pieke from the National No-Till Conference.

2. Management Items

a. Directors Absence

b. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance

1. Monthly Report

Coordinator Verhoeff was present to give the Monthly Alliance Report.

c. Bob Weaver

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the February Bob Weaver Bill in the amount of \$2,500 and bill LPSNRD and PMRNRD for their share. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Instream Flow

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement to participate in the "Instream Flow Work Group" and authorize the Chair to sign said Agreement. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. NIROC Agreement - Attachment

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to approve the MAPA agreement as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes for participation in the NIROC program and authorize the Chair to sign said agreement. It is further moved to approve payment of \$15,000 to MAPA for said agreement and bill Lower Elkhorn NRD \$5,000 for their portion of the project costs. Motion carried.

AYE: Alm, Bailey, Boyd, Eden, Hannah, Hilger, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Reitmajer, Renter, Saalfeld, Vrana

NAY: Pieke, Jedlicka

f. Monthly Education Programs - Update Given

g. Bruno Water Line

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve payment to Edstrom, Bromm, Lindahl and Freeman-Caddy in the amount of \$2,128.13 for work on the Bruno Water Line. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Pieke, to allow the Bruno Water Line Sub-Committee (Johannes, Alm, Meduna) to negotiate pre-settlement decisions for the Bruno waterline dispute and report back to the Board. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

h. Legislation - Update Given

i. L.B. 594 - Update Given

3. Equipment

a. Director Laptop Computers

Johnson and Jedlicka presented a draft policy for our paperless Director initiative prepared by Johnson. Several suggestions were made. Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to take a poll at Board Meeting to see if the Directors should own the laptop or the District which will give the sub-committee some direction. Motion carried on consent agenda. Two Directors felt the NRD should own the computers with seven in favor of Directors owning the computer.

4. Personnel

a. On Call Policy - Update Given

b. Employment of Curt Becker - Update Given

c. Bookkeeper - Ann Brodd

After arrival of her second child, Ann Brodd has decided to be a stay at home mom and be involved in Daryl's business. Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to have Rezac work with Brodd the next three weeks and advertize for both Receptionist and

Bookkeeper positions and to fill one of the two depending on Managements recommendation. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Statements

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the November financial report as distributed at the February Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the Managers expenses as attached to the Executive Committee Agenda. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, that the March 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

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to pay one habitat contract to Glen Pfeifer, Platte County, for \$525. 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. Conservation Tree Program - Report Given

e. Rawhide Ditch 8 - Report Given

f. Saunders County Road Structure (Bob Kavan)- Report Given

g. New Vehicle - Report Given

h. Windbreak Renovation - Report Given

3. ROCK AND JETTY

a. New Applications - None

b. Payment Requests - None

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS - Update Given

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Education

1. Earth Wellness Festival - Update Given

2. Spring Conservation Sensation - Update Given

3. Soil and Water Stewardship Week - Update Given

b. Information

1. Viaduct - Update Given

2. Annual Report - Update Given

3. HEM New Release - Update Given

4. Acreage Expo - Update Given

6. RURAL WATER ACTIVITIES

a. Abie/Linwood - Report Given

b. Bruno/David City Rural Water - Report Given

c. Colon/Wahoo Rural Water System - Report Given

d. Bellwood - Report Given

e. Other Items of Interest - Report Given

Reitmayer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, that the March 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 2007 is 10..

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

5. Bellwood Phase II Area - Update Given

6. Richland/Schuyler Phase II Area - Update Given

7. GWEL Flow Meter Grant

2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

1. Well Estimates - Update Given

2. Plugged Wells

Reitmayer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve cost share payment to decommission the two irrigation wells for the Dennis Zegers Trust for \$997.14 and a domestic well for Eugene and Marie Maly for \$364.61. 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. Groundwater Energy Levels - Update Given

d. Former Ordnance Plant at Mead - Update Given

3. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

a. Precipitation Gauging Network - Update Given

b. NERAIN Program - Update Given

4. OTHER

a. Swedeburg - Update Given

b. Comments from the Public - Update Given

Reitmayer made the motion, seconded Bailey, that the March 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

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to cancel the following fall SWCP cost-share application: 75%

06-Bo-19      Donald Gaspar      Grade Stab.      \$ 10,000.00

Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. SWCP Applications

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the following SWCP cost share application for summer construction:

06-Bo-19      Donald Gaspar      Grade Stab.      \$10,000.00

Motion carried on consent agenda.

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve following fall SWCP small dam cost share applications:

Small Dams 75%

James Malousek      21-14-6      Saunders      \$8,582.00

Daniel Ourada      22-16-5      Saunders      \$5,761.00

James/Tami Russman      21-14-5      Saunders      \$8,711.00

Motion carried on consent agenda.

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve funds for the following list of SWCP tree planting cost-share applications:

Name	County	# Trees	Total Cost w/out Tax	Cost Share Program	75%
Wendall Bohmont	Colfax	428 trees	\$428.00	SWCP	\$321.00
Larry Bruhn	Colfax	350 trees	\$350.00	SWCP	\$262.50
Larry Karel	Colfax	500 trees	\$500.00	SWCP	\$375.00
Jim Hlavac	Butler	230 trees	\$230.00	SWCP	\$172.50
James Russman	Saunders	247 trees	\$247.00	SWCP	\$185.25
Brian Isenberger	Saunders	243 trees	\$243.00	SWCP	\$182.25
Marv Wiese	Saunders	1,575 trees	\$1,575.00	SWCP	\$1,181.25
Doug Romshek	Butler	237 trees	\$237.00	SWCP	\$177.75
Robert Kavan	Saunders	350 trees	\$350.00	CRP- 25%	\$87.50
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>4,160 Trees</b>	<b>\$4,160.00</b>		<b>\$2,945.00</b>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Payments

None

d. Duck Creek Applications

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the following Duck Creek cost-share applications: 90%

Margie Vrana      16-16-5      Small Dam Above Site #15      \$9,063

Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Duck Creek Payments

None

f. SWCP Policy Updates for 2007 - Update Given

2. WATERSHEDS - Update Given

3. FSA, EQIP & CRP PLANS SIGNED

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the revised conservation plan as shown:

1/30/2007 Butler Jeseoph Birkel 31-16-3 40.1 Rev - Conservation Plan

4. LOCALLY LED LANDOWNER GROUPS

a. Shell Creek Watershed Improvement Group - Update Given

b. Shell Creek Elementary - Shell Creek Water Testing Equipment Request

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve 50% assistance, up to \$1,250 assistance, for the cost of water sampling equipment for the Shell Creek Elementary School. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. OTHER

a. Update on Army COE 205 Studies

1. South Fremont 205 - Update Given

2. Schuyler 205 - Update Given

Reitmajer made the motion, second by Bailey, to pursue obtaining additional federal Army Corp's of Engineers 205 study funds for Schuyler and to work toward obtaining an interlocal agreement with the City to share the local expense. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. David City Park Fishing Pier - Update Given

6. LAKE WANAHOO REPORT

a. Review of Lake Wanahoo Committee Minutes

b. Second Amendment to Addendum "H", Lake Wanahoo Interlocal Agreement

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to rescind the February 2007 Second Amendment to Addendum "H" of the Lake Wanahoo Interlocal Agreement and approve the revised Second Amendment to Addendum "H" as attached and authorize the Board Chairman to sign said agreement. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. Lake Wanahoo Rental House - Return Deposit

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to return Zach & Lorinda Bryant's \$400 damage deposit while renting the house on Lake Wanahoo Property. Motion carried on consent agenda.

d. Official Name for Wetland on Former Snitily Property

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to officially name the WRP wetland



established on the former Snitily property, "Pheasants Forever - Wetlands Restoration Project" . Motion carried on consent agenda.

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

Reitmajer the motion, seconded by Bailey, to accept and place on file the March Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7a. Richland Drainage Discussion - Update Given

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Reitmajer made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the March consent agenda. Motion carried all members present voting aye. Vrana abstained on 6.D.1.d.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The April Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, April 9, 2007, 7:00 p.m. Lower Platte North NRD Office.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 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 March 8, 2007, 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.

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Dave Saalfeld, Secretary