

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
May 13, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, May 13, 2019.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

The advanced notice of our May 13, 2019 board meeting was published on April 25, 2019 in the Banner Press, Columbus Telegram, Fremont Tribune, Schuyler Sun and Wahoo Newspaper.

Chair Ruzicka 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:

Bailey (arrived 6:05 p.m.)	Birkel	Feala
Hannah	Hilger	Johnson
Kavan	Meduna	Meyer
Olson	Pollard	Saalfeld
Sabatka	Saeger	Seier
Thompson (arrived 6:09 p.m.)	Veskerna	Yosten (arrived 6:05 p.m.)
Ruzicka		

DIRECTORS ABSENT

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Gottschalk	Breunig	Mountford
Oaklund	Andersen	Heimann
TePoel	Elliott	Schomer
Legal Counsel Lausterer		
Mark Walkenhorst		

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. Guest Comments

b. NRCS Report

Mark Walkenhorst was present to go over his written report.

c. NARD Report

Hilger updated the Board on Legislative bills related to the NRD and the upcoming Basin Tour.

d. NRC Report

e. Managers Report

Gottschalk reviewed his written report.

f. Education Program

Jake Miriovsky from JEO updated the Board on the Flood Recovery Workshop Open House held April 30th.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Off Site Water Table Concerns Near Sand Creek – No new developments

2. Meetings

a. Pending

b. Reports

1. NRD/NARD Employee Benefits Committee – Update Given

3. Management Items

a. Director Absences

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to approve Directors Veskerna and Bailey's excuse of absence from the March Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Monthly Education Program – Update Given

c. Request for Proposals – Accounting – Update Given

4. Equipment – None

5. Personnel

a. Watershed Technician Coordinator

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the Shell Creek Technician/Coordinator job description as attached and hire bill Bos to fill the position at starting wage of \$20/hour. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Wanahoo Personnel Hires

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve hiring Jacki Schnakenberg, Nate Konecky, Winston Cook, Emma Thrasher and Sam Kavan as Seasonal/Part-Time Wanahoo Recreation Technicians at a rate of \$10/Hour and Sharon Kremlacek at a rate of \$11/hour. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

6. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Reports

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the March Financial Statements as presented and distributed. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

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

c. Accounts Receivable and Payable – Update Given

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

B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

2. WILD NE/CREP REPORT - None

3. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE & OTHER ITEMS

a. Hay Bids for Recreation Areas

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to accept the high bids from Meduna Family Farms LLC for \$71/ton at Lake Wanahoo and from matt Sillivan for \$67.50/ton at Czechland and Homestead Lakes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. JD4430 Sold – Update Given

c. Conservation Tree Program – Update Given

d. Czechland and Homestead Recreation Areas

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve payment of \$5,817.33 to AWS Well Company for the repair/replacement to the Homestead Lake Well. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Swedeburg Dam B-2 – Update Given

f. Wanahoo Dam Conduit Joints and Spillway Step Repairs – Update Given

g. LPNNRD Pursuit of Federal EWPP Repair Assistance – Update Given

h. Fremont Rod and Gun Club Flood Issue – Update Given

4. LAKE WANHOO

a. Park Permits – Update Given

b. Lake Wanahoo Campsite Reservation Revenue Report – Update Given

c. Lake Wanahoo Hiring – Update Given

d. Lake Wanahoo Breakwater Damage

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve ME Collins bid to repair Wanahoo breakwater at a price of \$48/ton for rock placed and \$25/ton for rock staged but not used, not to exceed \$57,600. Motion carried on consent agenda.

e. Pork Chip Island – Update Given

f. Education & Recreation Building - Update Given

5. ROCK AND JETTY - None

6. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Information

1. Radio and eAds – Update Given

b. Education

1. May Education Programs – Update Given

2. Shell Creek Watershed Monitoring Program Scholarships

Pollard made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to award Sarah Johnson (Newman Grove) and Cassandra Macholan (Schuyler Central) the 2019 Shell Creek Watershed Monitoring Program Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to each recipient. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. Spring Conservation Sensation – Update Given

4. Outdoor Recreation Workshop – Update Given

5. Saunders County Youth Ag Tour – Update Given

4. RURAL WATER SYSTEMS

a. Colon – Update Given

b. Bruno – Update Given

c. Other – None

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, that the May LPNNRD Operations Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

C. WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

2. REGULATORY

3. GROUNDWATER MANGEMENT AREA

a. Grants

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the acceptance of the NET Grant 19-127 “Aquifer Vulnerability Mapping and Analysis” and ratify General Manager, Gottschalk’s signing of NET’s contract as attached. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Variance Ranking Sheet – Update Given

c. Certification of Acres Clarification Policy

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to approve the policy with the stipulations for Certification as attached to the Water Committee Minutes. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

d. Well Permit Program

1. Well Permits Approved – Update Given

- e. Drainage Complaints – Update Given
- f. Special Quantity Subareas – Update Given
- g. Cost Share Programs
 - 1. Flow Meter Maintenance Program – Update Given
- h. LPNNRD Operator Certification – Update Given
- i. Chemigation -Update Given
- j. Livestock Waste Permits – Update Given

4. GROUND WATER PROGRAM

- a. Decommissioned Well Program
 - 1. Well Estimates – Update Given
 - 2. Plugged Wells

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve payment for well decommissioning to Carol Zimmer for \$804.59. Motion carried on consent agenda.
- b. Groundwater Energy Levels – Update Given
- c. Domestic Water Sampling for Flooded Wells – Update Given

5. OTHER

- a. GMDA Summer Conference – Update Given
- b. Summer Interns – Update Given
- c. Comments from the Public – Update Given

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, that the May LPNNRD Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

D. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – NONE

2. SWCP

- a. SWCP Application Approvals

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the following applications totaling \$12,500 as listed below:

Clint Vandenberg	WASCB/Tile Outlet	\$12,500
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Motion carried on consent agenda.

- b. SWCP Tree Payment

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the following tree planting payment as listed below:

Waylan Dickey	Platte	\$217.50
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Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Cancellations – None

e. Wahoo Creek Lands for Conservation Application Approval

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve \$1,900 Lands for Conservation application to Leon Vermeline. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. WATERSHEDS

a. Shell Creek Watershed

1. Shell Creek Environmental Enhancement Plan Implementation/SCWIG Meeting

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve up to \$3,300 for Fred Fehringer's application for septic system inspection and upgrade contingent that is not found to be a normal maintenance issue. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. Tom Sprunk Bank Stabilization - No New Business

3. Shell Creek Grant Funding - Update Given

4. Newman Grove Science Club Invoice

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve a \$1,413.25 reimbursement to the Newman Grove School for the Shell Creek Science Club water testing equipment and supplies as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. Shell Creek Student Field Trip to UNL – Update Given

b. Wahoo Creek Watershed

1. Wahoo Creek Dam Sites Planning Update & FYRA Invoices – Update Given

2. Wahoo Creek Watershed Water Quality Plan Phase II – Update

3. Olsson Design Update and Invoices – Update Given

4. Buried Past Update and Invoice – Update Given

4. LOWER PLATTE RIVER CORRIDOR ALLIANCE – None

5. HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to ratify JEO assistance, up to \$10,000 total cost, for hosting the Recovery Workshop Open House held on April 30th as described in the Project committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. DISTRICT FLOODING ISSUES/ACTIVITIES

a. Joint Water Management Advisory Board Interlocal Agreement

Pollard made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the Joint Water Management Advisory Board Interlocal Agreement and authorize Chairman Ruzicka to sign the agreement. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Fremont Rod & Gun Club, Fremont, Dodge County Flooding Issue – Update Given

c. LPNNRD Pursuit of Federal EWPP Project Repair Assistance – Update Given

7. EROSION AND SEDIMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS – Update Given

8. USACE LETTER OF INTENT REQUEST FOR LPR RESTORATION STUDY – Update Given

9. OTHER

a. Western Sarpy Clear Creek Payment

Birkel made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, to make payment to PMRNRD in the amount of \$133,680.94 for our share on the Western Sarpy Clear Creek Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

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

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

a. NET Shell Creek Enhancement Plan Phase II

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Bailey, to approve the acceptance of the NET Grant 19-174 “Shell Creek Enhancement Plan Phase II” and ratify General Manager Gottschalk signing of the NET contract as attached. Motion carried all member present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Olson made the motion, seconded by Thompson, that all bills be approved, and warrants be drawn in payment of the same. Motion carried.

AYE: Birkel, Feala, Hannah, Hilger, Johnson, Kavan, Meduna, Meyer, Olson, Pollard, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Saeger, Seier, Thompson, Veskerna, Yosten, Ruzicka

ABSTAIN: Bailey

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the May Consent Agenda. 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, June10, 2019, 6:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 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 May13, 2019, 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

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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.

Larry Feala, Secretary