

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
June 10, 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, June 10, 2019.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

The advanced notice of our June 10, 2019 board meeting was published on May 30, 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:

Birkel	Feala	Hannah
Johnson	Kavan	Meyer
Olson	Pollard	Saalfeld
Sabatka	Saeger	Thompson
Veskerna	Ruzicka	

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Bailey	Hilger	Meduna
Seier	Yosten	

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Gottschalk	Breunig	Mountford
Andersen	Heimann	TePoel
Elliott		
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 - None

d. NRC Report - None

e. Managers Report

Gottschalk reviewed his written report.

f. Education Program

Matt Pillard from HDR was present to review the Lower Platte River Water Quality Plan.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Meetings

a. Pending

b. Reports

1. NRD/NARD Employee Benefits Committee – Update Given

3. Management Items

a. Director Absences – None

b. Monthly Education Program – Update Given

c. 2018 General Election Costs – Update Given

d. Accounting Services – Update Given

e. Lake Wanahoo Update

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve the Food Vendor agreement as provided by our Legal Counsel as attached to the Executive Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

1. 4th of July at Lake Wanahoo – Update Given

4. Equipment – None

5. Personnel

a. Wanahoo Recreation Technician Position – Update Given

b. Annual Staff Evaluations

Birkel made the motion, seconded by Feala, to budget \$26,000 for FY'20 salary adjustments to be distributed by the General Manager. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

6. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Reports

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

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, 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 Veskerna, that the June 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

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to pay Gerhold Inc. \$3,820 for a Corners for Wildlife contract. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE & OTHER ITEMS

a. Swedeburg "Thorston" Dam Renovation – Update Given

b. Wanahoo Dam Conduit Joint Repair

Pollard made the motion, seconded by Saeger, to move forward with the Wanahoo spillway joint repair by Peerless Heartland Contractor using Strata Tech ST-591 with letter of recommendation from Olsson Associates as an appropriate sealant and to also take into account for the repair to the broken concrete in the conduit. Motion carried.

AYE: Hannah, Johnson, Kavan, Pollard, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Saeger, Veskerna, Ruzicka

NAY: Birkel, Feala, Meyer, Olson, Thompson_

c. FEMA Meeting and Inspections – Update Given

d. Damage Request from March Flooding

Thompson made the motion, seconded by Feala, set a maximum of up to 50% or \$4,000 per landowner limit for damage repair from the March 2019 flooding. Motion failed.

AYE: Feala, Kavan, Saalfeld, Thompson, Veskerna, Ruzicka

NAY: Birkel, Hannah, Johnson, Meyer, Olson, Pollard, Sabatka, Saeger

e. Fremont 205 Non-Structural Study - Update Given

f. O & M Budget - Update Given

4. LAKE WANHOO

a. Promotion and Events – Update Given

b. 4th of July at Lake Wanahoo – Update Given

c. Camping and Permit Revenue - Update Given

d. Education Building - Update Given

e. Pork Chop Island – Update Given

f. Breakwater Repair - Update Given

g. New NRD Camper Pad – Update Given

5. ROCK AND JETTY - None

6. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Information

1. Radio and eAds – Update Given

2. Website Information

Olson made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to add Directors phone numbers to the Director page on the website. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. Recognition Banquet – Update Given

4. Husker Harvest Days

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to support the Prairie Outreach Project at Husker Harvest Days with a contribution of \$200 and a letter of support to the Central Platte NRD. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Education

1. June Education Programs – Update Given

2. FFA Open House – Update Given

7. RURAL WATER SYSTEMS

a. Colon – Update Given

b. Bruno – Update Given

c. Other – None

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, that the June 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

a. GROUNDWATER MANGEMENT AREA

1. Well Permit Program

a. Supplemental Well Permit

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Pollard, to approve the supplemental well permit for Rohwer Family Limited Partnership is SW¼-SW¼-S13-T17N-R9E. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

2. Groundwater Budget 2019-2020 - Update Given

3. LPNNRD Operator Certification – Update Given

4. Flow Meter Maintenance Program

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve the \$4,401.25 payment to Tri-City Meters for the routine maintenance of flow meters within the LPNNRD. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Chemigation – Update Given

c. Livestock Waste Permits – Update Given

d. Variance Ranking Sheet

Pollard made the motion, seconded by Meyer, to approve the variance ranking sheet presented for use on the 2019 variances, which sets a minimum score of 300 for approval and a carryover of only 3 years – Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. GROUND WATER PROGRAM

a. Decommissioned Well Program

1. Well Estimates – Update Given

2. Plugged Wells

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve payment for well decommissioning to Angela V. Bonne for \$989.55 and Morbach Inc. for \$592.52. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Lower Platte North NRD Ground Water Studies

1. Nebraska Environmental Trust – Update Given

2. NeRain – Update Given

c. Phoenix Master Database

Olson made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve the change order from Phoenix Webgroup for \$6,700 and to make a second payment of \$18,275 on the online reporting contract. Motion carried.

AYE: Birkel, Feala, Hannah, Johnson, Kavan, Olson, Pollard, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Saeger, Thompson, Veskerna, Ruzicka

NAY: Meyer

d. Former Ordnance Plant Near Mead – Update Given

4. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

a. State Lakes – 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 Veskerna, that the June 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 – None

b. SWCP Payments

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve four SWCP Payments as listed below:

<u>David Fowlkes</u>	<u>\$340.00</u>	<u>Don Fujan</u>	<u>\$3,387.26</u>
<u>Shanahan Family Trust</u>	<u>\$6,872.13</u>	<u>Iron Court LLC</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u>

Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Cancellations – None

e. Wahoo Creek Lands for Conservation Application Approval - None

3. WATERSHEDS

a. Shell Creek Watershed

1. Shell Creek Environmental Enhancement Plan Implementation/SCWIG Meeting

2. Shell Creek Project Payment – Jon Gehring

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to pay Jon Gehring \$10,750.68 cost-share assistance on his completed terrace/sediment control basin project as outlined in the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

3. Tom Sprunk Bank Stabilization/Wetlands Project - Update Given

4. Shell Creek Grant Funding – Update Given

5. Shell Creek Project Update (Hwy 81 Levee Repair)– Update Given

6. UP Railroad Shell Creek Bridge Removal/County Road 15

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, that LPNNRD supports being a partner with Colfax County and Union Pacific Railroad on completing eventual channel improvement and benching solutions associated with the future railroad bridge replacement on County Road 15. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Wahoo Creek Watershed

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

2. Olsson Design Update and Invoices – Update Given

3. Buried Past Update and Invoice – Update Given

4. Wahoo Creek Dam Breach Overlay District

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve submitting a conditional zoning permit with Saunders County toward establishing a Dam Breach Overlay District for the eleven proposed Wahoo Creek Flood Reduction Dams. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to have JEO prepare a scope of services and costs by the June 10th Board Meeting for completing a zoning permit and provide other information required by Saunders County for establishing a Dam Breach Overlay District for the eleven proposed Wahoo Creek Flood Reduction Dams. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to approve the JEO agreement totaling \$5,400 as attached for establishing a Dam Breach Overlay District for the eleven proposed Wahoo Creek Flood Reduction Dams. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

5. Wahoo Creek Watershed Water Quality Plan Phase II – Update Given

4. JOINT WATER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve 30% of the final cost up to a maximum contribution of \$3,000 toward the preparation of public assistance and grant applications to FEMA, NEMA and the Nebraska Natural Commission (NRC). Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Birkel made the motion seconded by Thompson, to appoint Frank Pollard and Bill Saeger and LPNNRD voting representatives for the Joint Water Management Advisory board and designate Lon Olson and Kelly Thompson as voting alternates. Motion carried.

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

ABSTAIN: Pollard

5. LOWER PLATTE RIVER CORRIDOR ALLIANCE

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to accept the LPRCA Water Quality Management Plan and pay LPSNRD \$1,033.51 for our share of the final expense for completing the Plan. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE – Update Given

7. EROSION AND SEDIMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS – Update Given

8. NEBRASKA BUFFER STRIP PROGRAM

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve Nebraska Buffer Strip 5-year contract to Marilee Polacek at an annual payment of \$1,129.94. Motion carried on consent agenda.

9. OTHER

a. SID #8 (Woodcliff) Annual Payment

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Thompson, to make pay Saunders County Sanitary Improvement District #8 \$75,000 (payment 2 of 4) toward the Woodcliff Riverbank Stabilization Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. Lake Ventura Bank Stabilization Project – Update Given

c. Transfers into Project Sinking Funds

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve moving unused budgeted Shell Creek Land Treatment funds 450204 into the Shell Creek Sinking Fund for future project needs. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Pollard, to approve moving \$400,000 of unused budgeted funds into the LPNNRD Flood Reduction Sinking Fund as previously stipulated by the Board for use on future flood reduction projects. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

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

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

a. Clear Creek Cooperation Agreement

Pollard made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to authorize the General Manager Gottschalk to sign the Cooperation Agreement between the US Army Corps of Engineers and LPNNRD as attached. Motion carried.

AYE: Birkel, Feala, Hannah, Johnson, Kavan, Olson, Pollard, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Saeger, Thompson, Veskerna, Ruzicka

ABSTAIN: Meyer

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

Pollard made the motion, seconded by Sabatka, that all bills be approved, and warrants be drawn in payment of the same with the correction of the description on the Angela Bonne payment as a decommissioned well payment. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Veskerna, to approve the June Consent Agenda with the amendment on item 6.D.5. to accept the LPRCA Water Quality Management Plan. 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 8, 2019, 6:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 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 10, 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 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.