

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
June 11, 2018**

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, Wahoo, NE on Monday, June 11, 2018.

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

The advanced notice of our June 11, 2018 board meeting was published on May 24, 2018 in the Banner Press, Columbus Telegram, Fremont Tribune, Schuyler Sun and Wahoo Newspaper.

Chair Birkel 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	Feala	Hannah
Hilger	Kavan, Alex	Kavan, Don
McDermott	Meduna	Olson
Ruzicka	Saalfeld	Sabatka
Saeger	Seier	Sobota
Thompson	Veskerna	Birkel

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Pollard

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Gottschalk	Breunig	Mountford
TePoel	Andersen	Elliott
Heimann	Schomer	

Legal Counsel Lausterer

Sign in sheet attached to original minutes.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS

a. Guest Comments

b. NRCS Report

Brach Johnson was present to give the NRCS Report.

c. NARD Report

Hilger gave the NARD Report.

d. NRC Report - None

e. Managers Report

Gottschalk reviewed his written report.

f. Education Program

TePoel presented our updated website to the Board and went over some of the new features on the website.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2018 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 Information

b. Murren Lawsuit – No New Information

2. Meetings

a. Pending

1. SWCS Annual Meeting

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to send one staff to the SWCS Annual Meeting July 29-August 1, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. Recognition Picnic Staff/Directors – Update Given

b. Reports - None

3. Management Items

a. Director Absences - None

b. Monthly Education Program – Update Given

c. Schuyler 205 Project – Update Given

d. NARD Health/Dental Benefits – Update Given

e. Lake Wanahoo – Update Given

f. NRDF Reimbursement

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to ratify Assistant General Manager Mountford's signature on Amendment #5 of the NRDF Contract. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. Equipment – None

5. Personnel

a. FY 2019 Salary Increases

Hilger made the motion, seconded by Ruzicka, to approve and budget a 2% salary increase to be distributed on merit base. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

b. New Hire Update - Update Given

c. Operation and Maintenance Technician

Ruzicka made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to give the General Manager discretion to hire and fill the vacant Operation and Maintenance Technician position. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

6. Finance

a. Approval of Financial Reports

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the April Financial Statements as distributed to all board members. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Approval of Managers Expenses

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, 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

d. Union Bank Loan Payment

McDermott made the motion, seconded by Ruzicka, to make our interest payment of \$1,602.84 along with our final principal payment of \$48,589.23 on our Lake Wanahoo Note. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, that the June LPNRRD Executive Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

B. OPERATIONS, EDUCATION & RURAL WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

2. WILD NE/CREP REPORT

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Sobota, to pay Dan Ourada \$726.98 for seeding the grass land area at Czechland Lake. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE & OTHER ITEMS

a. Lake Wanahoo SRA – Update Given

b. Wanahoo Dam – Update Given

c. Fremont Section 205 Study – Update Given

d. Tree Program - Update Given

e. Thorson Dam – Update Given

4. ROCK AND JETTY

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to make payment to the City of North Bend in the amount of \$1,566.13 for the removal of trees on the North Bend Levee, assist Kay Poppe with an additional \$50 to get her cost-share to 50% of her total bill and assist County Bothers LLC with the remaining budget amount of \$4,383.87. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. INFORMATION & EDUCATION

a. Information

1. Radio and eAds – Update Given

b. Education

a. Recognition Banquet - Update Given

b. Fertig Prairie – Update Given

c. Education Programs - Update Given

6. RURAL WATER SYSTEMS

a. Colon – Update Given

b. Bruno – Update Given

c. Other – None

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, that the June LPNRRD Operations, Education and Rural Water 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 Management Area

1. Flow Meter Installation in SQS #2

Olson made the motion, seconded by Kavan-Alex, to set the date of June 14, 2018 to complete the installation of a water flow meter on well G-111561 in the NE NE of Section 8-19N-1E. If installation is not completed by this date a hearing will be set for June 27, 2018. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

2. Requests for Expansion of Acres

Hilger made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the expansion of acres permit for John Wotipka for well G-095822 to irrigate E NE 26-14-6E with a required flow meter, annual reporting and consumptive use of a 27 inch 3-year rolling allocation. Motion carried.

Hilger made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the expansion of acres permit for John Wotipka for well G-136546 to irrigate NE 25-14-6E with a required flow meter, annual reporting and a consumptive use of a 27 inch 3-year rolling allocation. Motion carried.

Hilger made the motion, seconded by Seier, to approve the expansion of acres permit for Arnie Stuthman for well G-161854 to irrigate N NW 7-18-2E with no additional consumptive water use as set by SQS#2 rules. Motion carried.

AYE: Bailey, Feala, Hannah, Hilger, Kavan-Don, McDermott, Meduna, Olson, Pollard, Ruzicka, Saalfeld, Sabatka, Saeger, Seier, Sobota, Thompson, Veskerna, Birkel

NAY: Kavan-Alex

3. Well Permit Program Poultry

Olson made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to approve the Well Permit for John Kobza in the NW SW 13-16N-2E with a water flow meter required. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

4. Monitoring Wells Transducers in SQS #2

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the payment of \$9,774.75 to In-Situ for 5 transducer and 6 cables. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. Cost Share Programs

a. Flow Meter Cost-Share in SQS #2

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve payment of \$1,765 of cost-share funding from the WSF and NRD funds to the following individuals: Eisenmenger Bros LLC \$770; Penny Sander \$770; and Michael Dvorak \$225. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. LPNNRD Operator Certification – Update Given

b. CHEMIGATION – Update Given

c. LIVESTOCK WASTE PERMITS – Update Given

3. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS

a. Decommissioned Well Program

1. Well Estimates – Update Given

2. Plugged Wells

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the well decommissioning payment of \$750.82 to Leonard Cuda and \$915.92 to WMW Family Farms LLC. Motion carried on consent agenda.

b. Lower Platte North NRD Ground Water Studies

1. Eastern Nebraska Water Resources Assessment (ENWRA) – Update Given

2. Lower Platte River Consortium – Update Given

c. New Monitoring Wells

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the payment of \$136,700 to UNL Conservation and Survey Division per agreement as attached to Water Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.,

d. Groundwater Energy Levels – Update Given

e. Former Ordinance Plant Near Mead – Update Given

4. SURFACE WATER PROGRAMS

a. State Lakes – Update Given

5. OTHER

a. GMDA Annual Conference – Update Given

b. Comments from the Public – Update Given

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, 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 – Update Given

a. SWCP Application Approvals – None

b. SWCP Payment

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve payment of \$332.45 to Cameron Birkel for tree planting/spraying as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

c. SWCP Cancellations – None

d. Wahoo Creek Cost-Share Approvals – None

3. WATERSHEDS

a. Shell Creek Watershed

1. Shell Creek Environmental Enhancement Plan Implementation Project Update – Update Given

2. Hamata/Vavreck Creek Bank Stabilization Project

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Hannah, to authorize Chair Birkel to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Colfax County on the Bank Stabilization Project. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

3. Tom Sprunk Wetland Enhancement/Grade Control Project - Update Given

4. Shell Creek Delisting Celebration – Update Given

b. Schuyler 205 Shell Creek Levee Project Refund – Update Given

c. Wahoo Creek Watershed

1. Wahoo Creek Dam Site Planning Update and FYRA Invoice

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to accept and move forward with the preliminary recommended ten flood reduction dam sites, as a result of the Wahoo Creek Planning effort, and present these findings at the June 12, 2018, Public Scoping meeting to receive public input. Motion carried on consent agenda.

2. Wahoo Creek Agency and Public Scoping Meetings – Update Given

d. Sand Creek Upstream Site 16

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve payment of \$17,666.60 for work completed on Nemec/Sand Creek Dam Site 16 to Roland Kavan as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. LOWER PLATTE RIVER CORRIDOR ALLIANCE

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to pay LPSNRD \$4,708.17 for our share of work completed on the EPA/NDEQ Watershed Water Quality plan as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. EROSION AND SEDIMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS – Update Given

6. NEBRASKA BUFFER STRIP PROGRAM – Update Given

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

7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

7a. SWCP Payments

Hannah made the motion, seconded by Meduna, to approve four NSWCP payments totaling \$8,039.55 as listed:

<u>Rambour Realty</u>	<u>Tree Planting</u>	<u>\$209.16</u>
<u>Daryl Glodowski</u>	<u>Tree Planting</u>	<u>\$432.00</u>
<u>Todd Gronenthal</u>	<u>Tree Planting</u>	<u>\$218.00</u>
<u>Greg Divis</u>	<u>Terrace and Tile</u>	<u>\$7,180.39</u>

Motion carried all members present voting aye.

8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED

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

9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION

Meduna made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld, to approve the June Consent Agenda. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS

11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT

The July Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, July 9, 2018, 6:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 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 11, 2018, 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.