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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
APRIL 15, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District met at the Lower Platte South NRD Office on Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. Directors participating were Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum. Andersen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Andersen welcomed those in attendance, and the pledge of allegiance was recited. He noted that the public meetings law is posted in the room and that carrying concealed weapons is prohibited at board meetings and on District property. He requested all cell phones be put on silent mode. He reminded everyone a recording of the meeting will be on the NRD website. Andersen requested anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item to provide their name on the sign-in sheet and which agenda item they wished to speak on. An opportunity for the public to speak to non-agenda items was given.

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

Eighteen Directors were present upon roll call. Peterson and Schutz arrived after roll call.

ITEM 2. PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICE OF MEETING

Andersen reported that the legal notice of the Board Meeting was published on April 3, 2026 in the Lincoln Journal Star and on the Lincoln Journal Star & Nebraska Press Association Websites.

ITEM 3. CONSIDERATION OF DIRECTORS' ABSENCES

Andersen stated that no requests for excused absences were received.

ITEM 4. ADOPT AGENDA

<u>It was moved by Landis and seconded by Jacobson to adopt the Tentative Agenda.</u>

Director Jacobson raised a question regarding whether a motion to amend the Agenda would be necessary to reconcile a discrepancy between the Agenda published on the District's website and the printable version of the Agenda. The discrepancy pertained to a proposed license agreement under the Report of the Water Resources Subcommittee, which was included as an action item on the Agenda published on the District's website, but not on the printable version of the Agenda. Corey Wasserburger, legal counsel, addressed the Board and advised that a motion to amend the Agenda would not be necessary, as the proposed license agreement would not be taken up at that evening's Board meeting.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer and Peterson

ITEM 5. RECOGNITION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

David Potter, General Manager, introduced Jeremy Gehle as the new Assistant General Manager. Bryce Jensen, Land & Flood Control Operations Coordinator introduced Brody Dickinson, as a new Land Management Maintenance Technician.

ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

It was moved by Hassebrook and seconded by Lewis to approve the Minutes of the March 18, 2026 Board of Directors' Meeting. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 7. REPORT OF THE FINANCE & PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Lewis reported that the Finance and Planning Subcommittee met on April 7, 2026. She stated that the financial reports for the period July 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026 had been distributed.

It was moved by Lewis and seconded by Eagan to approve the financial reports for the period July 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026 and to publish the "Expenditures without Director's expenditures" for March 2026. The motion was approved

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Aldridge
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

It was moved by Lewis and seconded by Schutz to publish the "Director Group 1" (Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook and Hellerich) expenditures for March 2026. The motion was approved.

AYE: Green, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Aldridge
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Hassebrook and Hellerich
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

It was moved by Lewis and seconded by Hassebrook to publish the "Director Group 2" (Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka and Mealer) expenditures for March 2026. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Aldridge
ABSTAIN: Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis and Matejka
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

It was moved by Lewis and seconded by Hibler to publish the "Director Group 3" (Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum) expenditures for March 2026. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, and Matejka
NAY: Aldridge
ABSTAIN: Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

Lewis moved the Finance and Planning Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the updated schedule for development of the Long-Range Implementation Plan and the presentation and consideration of approving the FY2027 LPSNRD Budget. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Aldridge
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 8. REPORT OF THE URBAN SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Landis stated that the Urban Subcommittee met on April 7, 2026.

Landis moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the 2026-2027 Annual Work Plan for the Interlocal Agreement on Stormwater Management with the City of Lincoln. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 9. REPORT OF THE WATER RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Jacobson stated that the Water Resources Subcommittee met on April 9, 2026.

Jacobson moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors grant a waiver to the required signed acknowledgments from all adjacent landowners and well owners (Section P, Rule 1.f) and approve the variance from the City of Lincoln Transportation and Utilities for the Late Class 5 well permit specifically exempting the 72-hour pumping test requirement, the water quality sampling, and the 20-year hydrogeologic report (Section C, Rule 2.f.i.A.3-5) and allow them to locate this well within 600 feet of existing wells with the same or higher preference of use (Section C, Rule 10.a).

David Potter, General Manager, Steve Herdzina, Water Resources Coordinator, and Steve Owen, with the City of Lincoln, answered questions of the Board regarding the variance request.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

Jacobson moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors grant preliminary approval for permit LPS-260475and authorize the LPSNRD General Manager the ability to issue final approval of LPS-260475 subject to identified conditions. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Aldridge
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 10. REPORT OF THE RECREATION, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Schutz stated that the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee met on April 6, 2026.

Schutz moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to sign the agreement with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission to accept the Recreational Trail Program grant funds to be used towards the construction of the Kolbrook segment of the Prairie Corridor Trail, pending legal counsel review.

Will Inselman, Resources Coordinator, answered questions of the Board regarding the grant agreement.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

Schutz moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Director approve Amendment No. 1 to the JEO Consulting Group agreement for additional services related to the construction of the Kolbrook segment of the Prairie Corridor Trail. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

Schutz reported that one bid was received to replace boundary fences at four different properties.

Contractor	Bid
Morrissey Enterprises, LLC	$83,595.50

Schutz moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the low bid of $83,595.50 submitted by Morrissey Enterprises, LLC, for the installation of boundary fences on four saline wetland properties.

David Potter, General Manager, and Will Inselman, Resources Coordinator, answered questions of the Board regarding the bids for fence installation.

It was moved by Schutz and seconded by Yoakum to strike the number $83,595.50 and replace with $87,775.28 so that the subcommittee motion states "to recommend the Lower Platte South NRD Board of Directors approve the low bid of $87,775.28 submitted by Morrissey Enterprises, LLC, for the installation of boundary fences on four saline wetland properties.

Will Inselman, Resources Coordinator, and Corey Wasserburger, Legal Counsel, answered questions of the Board regarding the amendment to the fencing motion.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Hellerich
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

The amended motion to recommend the Lower Platte South NRD Board of Directors approve the low bid of $87,775.28 submitted by Morressey Enterprises, LLC, for the installation of boundary fences on four saline wetland properties was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

Schutz moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to sign a license agreement for private crossing for agricultural purposes on the Homestead Trail with Countyshire, L.P., pending legal counsel review. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Aldridge
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 11. REPORT OF THE LAND RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Vogel stated that the Land Resources Subcommittee met on April 8, 2026.

He reported that three cost-share applications have been received for installing water quality improvement practices for the NRD's Summer Conservation Program.

Vogel moved the Land Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the three identified cost-share applications totaling an amount of $55,418.00.

Applicant	SEC	TWN	RNG	County	Practice	Amount	Targeted Area
Kenneth Potter	25	13	4	Butler	Terraces	$15,418.00	SVL – Meadowlark
Lake Family Farm LLC	33	11	10	Cass	Terraces	$20,000.00	
John Aiden & Debra Jean Lohmeier Irr. Trust	34	10	4	Seward	Terraces	$20,000.00	
					TOTAL	**$55,418.00**	

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

Vogel moved the Land Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Agreement between the Omaha-Council Bluffs Metropolitan Area Planning Agency and LPSNRD to obtain digital map products for the LPSNRD portions of Butler and Otoe Counties at a cost of $10,800 and subject to legal counsel review.

David Potter, General Manager, answered questions of the Board regarding the agreement with MAPA for aerial photography.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 12. REPORT OF THE PLATTE RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Peterson stated that the Platte River Subcommittee met on April 8, 2026.

Peterson moved the Platte River Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve and authorize the General Manager to sign the Second Amendment to the Second Amended Interlocal Agreement with Papio-Missouri River NRD and Lower Platte North NRD for the Lower Platte River Phragmites Management Program.

David Potter, General Manager, and Bryce Jensen, Land and Flood Control Operations Coordinator, answered questions of the Board regarding the Agreement for the Phragmites Management Program.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 13. REPORT OF THE INFORMATION & EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Seacrest stated that the Information & Education Subcommittee met on April 9, 2026.

Seacrest moved the Information & Education Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board establish the 7th Grade Wildlife Exploration Field Trip Program and fund the program up to $15,000.

Jodi Delozier, Communications Coordinator and Adult Environmental Educator, answered questions of the Board regarding the 7th Grade Wildlife Exploration Field Trip Program.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Vogel and Yoakum
NAY: Spangler
NOT PRESENT: Mealer

ITEM 14. NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF RESOURCES DISTRICTS (NARD) REPORT

Yoakum stated the NARD Board will be meeting on June 7th – 8th in Scottsbluff. June 8th – 9th is also the NARD Basin Tour. There will be a Tree Planting Ceremony at the Capitol on Arbor Day.

ITEM 15. PERMIT AND PROGRAM APPROVALS

A report of permit and program approvals was distributed.

ITEM 16. SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

A schedule of upcoming events and activities was mailed out.

ITEM 17. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Various memos were mailed out.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m. The undersigned, the duly elected and acting Secretary of the Lower Platte South 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 April 15, 2026 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 an 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.

Christine Lamberty, Secretary

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