



LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING JULY 15, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District met at the Lower Platte South NRD Office on Wednesday, July 15, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. Directors participating were Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, 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 on non-agenda items was given.

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

Seventeen Directors were present upon roll call. Matejka and Peterson 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 July 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 requests for excused absences were received from Chuck Hassebrook and Larry Ruth for the July 15, 2026 Board of Directors meeting.

It was moved by Landis and seconded by Eagan to approve the requests for excused absences from Chuck Hassebrook and Larry Ruth for the July 15, 2026 Board of Directors meeting. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook, Peterson and Ruth

ITEM 4. ADOPT AGENDA

It was moved by Seacrest and seconded by Landis to adopt the Tentative Agenda. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook, Peterson and Ruth

ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

It was moved by Eagan and seconded by Hibler to approve the Minutes of the June 17, 2026 Board of Director's Meeting. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mealer

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook, Peterson and Ruth

ITEM 6. REPORT OF THE FINANCE & PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Lewis stated that the Finance & Planning Subcommittee met on July 7, 2026. She reported that the financial reports for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 had been distributed.

It was moved by Yoakum and seconded by Jacobson to approve the financial reports for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 and publish the expenditures for June, 2026.

David Potter, General Manager, and Chris Barber, Administration and Finance Manager, answered questions from the Board regarding the financial reports.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Peterson

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

Lewis moved the Finance & Planning Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve budget overruns of \$8,500 for budget code 405001, Auto and Truck Operating Expense and \$10,000 for budget code 419012, Nebraska Land Trust with funds coming from cash reserve. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

Lewis moved the Finance & Planning Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors give tentative approval of Draft #2.1 of the FY2027 Lower Platte South NRD Budget, which includes the approved change.

It was moved by Aldridge to amend I&E budget code "general awareness" FY27 "print NRD brochures and promotional materials, "calendars, conservation tree brochure, recreation brochure". To amend by striking the word "calendars". The motion died for lack of a second.

It was moved by Aldridge to amend O&M Stormwater Facilities budget code 447011 "Salt Creek Routing O&M" FY27 by striking \$432,000 and inserting \$350. The motion died for lack of a second.

It was moved by Aldridge to amend Land Best Management Practices budget code 470012 "special practices" FY27 by striking \$25,000 and inserting \$0. The motion died for lack of a second.

It was moved by Aldridge to amend "Platte River Programs" budget code 419020 "Western Sarpy / Clear Creek O&M" FY27 by striking \$50,000 and inserting \$1.77. The motion died for lack of a second.

David Potter, General Manager, and Chris Barber, Administration and Finance Manager, answered questions from the Board regarding Draft 2.1 of the Budget.

The original motion to give tentative approval of Draft #2.1 of the FY2027 Lower Platte South NRD Budget as originally recommended by the Subcommittee. was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: Aldridge

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

ITEM 7. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Andersen reported that the Executive Subcommittee had met on July 8, 2026.

Andersen moved the Executive Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Amendment to the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD) 457 Deferred Compensation Plan to offer In-Plan Roth Rollover Contributions and Rollover Transfers effective November 1, 2026. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

Andersen moved the Executive Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors move the August Board Meeting to August 26, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Schutz, Seacrest, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: Aldridge and Spangler

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

ITEM 8. REPORT OF URBAN SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Landis stated that the Urban Subcommittee met on July 8, 2026.

Landis moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors waive operating policy G-5 and approve the sole source purchase for scientific equipment from Teledyne ISCO for the Pecan Creek Wetland Complex in the amount not to exceed \$112,893.00.

Jeremy Gehle, Assistant General Manager, answered questions from the Board regarding the equipment and use of the equipment.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Seacrest, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: Hibler and Spangler

ABSTAIN: Schutz

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

Landis stated that six bids were received for the Beal Slough Stream Stabilization Project at 52nd Street.

Contractor	Bid
Nebraska Digging Services, LLC	\$78,905.00
MC Wells	\$89,550.00
High Plains Structural Group	\$89,550.00
Gana Trucking, Inc.	\$96,863.91
Yost Excavating, Inc.	\$98,750.00
Clark Construction	\$125,750.00

Landis moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the low bid from Nebraska Digging Services for the Beal Slough Stream Stabilization Project at 52nd Street, not to exceed \$78,905.00. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

ITEM 9. REPORT OF THE RECREATION, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Jacobson stated that the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee met on July 9, 2026.

Jacobson stated that four bids were received for the Oak Creek Trail Stabilization Project near Valparaiso.

Contractor	Bid
MC Wells Contracting LLC	\$425,140.00
Theisen Construction, Inc.	\$462,354.86
High Plains Structural Group	\$475,415.00
General Excavating, Inc.	\$514,460.00

Jacobson moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to sign an agreement with the low bidder, MC Wells Contracting LLC, for the Oak Creek Bank Stabilization project at a total project cost of \$425,140.00.

David Potter, General Manager, and Will Inselman, Resources Coordinator, answered questions from the Board regarding the Oak Creek Bank Stabilization project.

The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: Hellerich

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

Jacobson moved the Recreation, Forestry and Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the amendment to the EA Engineering, Science and Technology agreement for construction oversight services for the Oak Creek Bank Stabilization Project, at a firm-fixed price of \$19,675.08. The motion was approved.

David Potter, General Manager, and Corey Wasserburger, Legal Counsel, answered question from the Board regarding the amendment.

AYE: Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Matejka, Mealer, Peterson, Schutz, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: Aldridge and Hellerich

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook and Ruth

ITEM 10. NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF RESOURCES DISTRICTS (NARD) REPORT

Director Yoakum stated that the NARD Annual Conference will be held at the end of September in Kearney.

ITEM 11. PERMIT AND PROGRAM APPROVALS

A report of permit and program approvals was distributed.

ITEM 12. SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

A schedule of upcoming events and activities was mailed out.

ITEM 13. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Various memos were mailed out.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 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 July 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