



LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING JUNE 17, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District met at the Lower Platte South NRD Office on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. Directors participating were Aldridge, Andersen, Baker, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, 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 on non-agenda items was given.

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

Eighteen Directors were present upon roll call. Hassebrook 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 June 5, 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 a request for excused absence was received from Suzanne Mealer for the June 17, 2026 Board of Directors meeting.

It was moved by Yoakum and seconded by Baker to approve the request for excused absence from Suzanne Mealer for the June 17, 2026 Board of Directors meeting. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Hassebrook, Landis and Mealer

ITEM 4. ADOPT AGENDA

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

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

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hassebrook

NOT PRESENT: Landis and Mealer

General Manager David Potter announce that Kathy Hauschild has resigned from her position as Receptionist / Secretary. He stated that Kathy has been with the Lower Platte South NRD for eight and a half years and will be missed.

ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

It was moved by Matejka and seconded by Hassebrook to approve the Minutes of the May 20, 2026 Board of Director's Meeting. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Eagan, Green, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Lamberty, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Baker, Jacobson and Schutz

NOT PRESENT: Landis and Mealer

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

Lewis stated that the Finance & Planning Subcommittee met on June 9, 2026 and June 15, 2026. She reported that the financial reports for the period July 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026 had been distributed.

It was moved by Lewis and seconded by Jacobson to approve the financial reports for the period July 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026 and publish the expenditures for May, 2026.

David Potter, General Manager, stated that the Budget v. Actual spreadsheet had been updated and explained the correction to the Directors. 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, Hassebrook, Hellerich, Hibler, Jacobson, Lamberty, Lewis, Matejka, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Seacrest, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Landis, Mealer and Spangler

Lewis moved the Finance & Planning Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve FNIC Insurance Group as our primary insurance company for general liability, linebacker, and umbrella insurance effective July 1, 2026.

David Potter, General Manager, Chris Barber, Administration and Finance Manager, and Corey Wasserburger, Legal Counsel, answered questions of the Board regarding the insurance for the District.

The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Landis and Mealer

Lewis moved the Finance & Planning Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the quote from MNC Cat of Lincoln, NE, in the amount of \$39,040.50 and authorize the purchase of a 2010 Caterpillar 906H Compact Wheel Loader.

It was moved by Aldridge to amend the motion by striking \$39,040.50 and replacing it with \$39,004.1. The motion died for lack of a second.

David Potter, General Manager, Trent Henry, Operations/Maintenance Technician, and Bryce Jensen, Land & Flood Control Operations Coordinator, answered questions of the Board regarding the purchase of a compact wheel loader.

The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Peterson

NOT PRESENT: Landis and Mealer

Lewis stated that the Finance & Planning Subcommittee met on June 15, 2026 regarding first draft of the Budget and recommended Draft No. 1.1 of the FY2027 Budget be presented to the Board of Directors and open for public comment.

Chris Barber, Administration and Finance Manager, gave a presentation of Draft #1.1 of the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. David Potter, General Manager, answered questions of the Board regarding the draft budget. There were no public comments on the Budget.

ITEM 7. REPORT OF THE WATER RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Jacobson reported that the Water Resources Subcommittee had met on June 10, 2026.

Jacobson moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Agreement with Houston Engineering for the Janssen Road Structure Spillway Replacement Project, not to exceed \$15,059.21.

It was moved by Aldridge to amend the motion by striking \$15,059.21 and replacing it with \$15,060. Chair Andersen declared the motion out of order.

The motion was approved.

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

VOTING "PRESENT": Aldridge

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Landis and Mealer

ITEM 8. REPORT OF LAND RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Vogel stated that the Land Resources Subcommittee did not meet prior to the Board meeting. He reported that one cost-share application has been received for installing water quality improvement practices for the NRD's Summer Conservation Program.

It was moved by Vogel and seconded by Jacobson that the Board of Directors approve the identified cost-share application from Ruse Farms, Inc. totaling \$25,000.00.

Applicant	SEC	TWN	RNG	County	Practice	Amount	Targeted Area
Ruse Farms, Inc.	34	13	12	Cass	Terraces	\$25,000.00	Turkey Creek
					TOTAL	\$25,000.00	

The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Landis and Mealer

ITEM 9. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Andersen stated that the Executive Subcommittee met on June 5, 2026 and June 15, 2026.

Andersen moved the Executive Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Engagement Letter with JRP Mediation and Employment Law for Human Resources consulting. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: Aldridge

ABSTAIN: None

NOT PRESENT: Landis and Mealer

It was moved by Green and seconded by Hassebrook that the Board of Directors go into closed session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personnel matters and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person. The motion was approved.

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

It was moved by Green and seconded by Lewis to return to Open Session at 7:05 p.m. The motion was approved.

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

Andersen moved the Executive Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve a one-time stipend payment to the General Manager in the amount of \$6,000 to be paid during the 2026 Fiscal Year in recognition of extraordinary efforts made by the General Manager during the prior nine months. He motion was approved.

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

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

Director Yoakum stated that the NARD Board held their meeting on June 7, 2026. He reported that the NARD Budget was set with no increase to the employee insurance premium. He stated they also voted to consider an amendment to the 457 Roth for employees and that the NARD building will be paid off next year.

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 7:11 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 June 17, 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