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## Memorandum

Date:

June 12, 2017

To:

**Each Director** 

From:

Paul D. Zillig, General Manager

Subject:

**Executive Subcommittee Meeting Minutes** 

The Executive Subcommittee met at 5:00 pm on Thursday, June 8, 2017 in the NRD Conference Room in Lincoln. Subcommittee members present included Ray Stevens, Deborah Eagan, Greg Osborn, Jeremie Kerkman, Milt Schmidt, and Larry Ruth. Others present included Steve Seglin, Kathy Spence, Dave Potter, and myself.

Chair Stevens opened the meeting and turned it over to myself to report on the Prairie Creek Estates Homeowners Associations "Prairie Creek HOA" request to install a boat dock and picnic shelter at Stevens Creek A9-6, just north of 154<sup>th</sup> & Van Dorn. I reported that there is a housing development with access to the lake, and the lake is owned by the Prairie Creek HOA. For the use of the residents they desire to install a boat dock and picnic shelter in the NRD's floodpool easement area. The wording in the easement prohibits all structures so the NRD would need to grant permission to install these temporary structures. I reported that the NRD typically reviews the situation and can grant this permission (i.e. Waterford Lake).

I requested Steve Seglin to draft a License Agreement that would include the terms for granting permission for temporary structures while making sure the NRD is not liable for damages and the structures would be removed if needed. I handed out a draft agreement for the Prairie Creek HOA request. The subcommittee reviewed the draft and discussed a few changes, which are included on the attached license agreement.

It was then moved by Ruth, seconded by Eagan, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to recommend the Board of Directors approve the attached License Agreement with the Prairie Creek Estates Homeowners Association for Stevens Creek A9-6.

The next item on the agenda was to consider several requests included in a letter to Chair Stevens from Director Aldridge (attached). The Subcommittee discussed including both the NRD Operating Policies and Personal Policies on the NRD website. The Subcommittee directed staff to add both policies to the NRD website.



The Subcommittee then discussed the LPSNRD's policy to pay Directors per diem at the rate of \$60/day for attending an NRD meeting. The Subcommittee discussed that State Statutes limit per diem to be no more than \$70/day and that in addition to the per diem, Directors are eligible to be reimbursed for mileage. It was moved by Osborn, seconded by Ruth to recommend the Board increase the LPSNRD per diem rate to \$70/day, discussion was held on the motion. The motion failed on a tie vote with Eagan, Ruth & Osborn voting "yes" and Stevens, Schmidt & Kerkman voting "no".

The Subcommittee also discussed Aldridge's request to increase the annual per diem limit of \$3,600/year. The Subcommittee discussed that State Statutes limit the annual payment of per diem to \$3,600/year. I reported that the Legislature would need to approve this increase and the NRD's could consider a resolution at the Fall NARD Conference to make that change. The Subcommittee discussed the request but no motions or action were taken at this time. Schmidt mentioned that he will discuss this next week at the NARD Meeting in Norfolk.

The final item raised by Aldridge was to consider broadcasting and/or re-broadcasting the LPSNRD Board Meetings. I reported that in 2004 the NRD Board considered videoing the NRD Board Meetings and showing them on the "government access" cable channel in Lincoln. The 2004 cost was around \$1,000/meeting with several changes to the Board Room configuration. The Subcommittee wanted to explore the effort needed to utilize our existing recording of the Board Meeting and post is on the NRD's website. The Subcommittee will discuss this further at their next meeting.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss an anonymous request to review NRD policies allowing certain use of NRD vehicles. This item was tabled by the subcommittee on a motion by Ruth and seconded by Osborn so the subcommittee can review the policies and rules pertaining to vehicle use.

Seglin then updated the Subcommittee on the status of the Complaint to the Attorney General's Office pertaining to discussion in closed session and the SCI, Inc. lawsuit challenging an NRD easement along the Salt Creek Levee.

The final item on the agenda was a brief report on the legislative session.

There was no other business and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

cc: Steve Seglin