



LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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Memorandum

Date: November 19, 2019
To: Board of Directors
From: David Potter, Assistant General Manager DP
RE: Land Resources Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.

The Land Resources Subcommittee met at 5:30 pm on Monday, November 18, 2019 in the NRD large conference room in Lincoln to discuss and/or take action on two agenda items. Subcommittee members present included Gary Hellerich, Mike DeKalb, Vern Barrett, Gary Aldridge, and Bruce Johnson. Members absent included Mark Spangler, Dave Landis and Karen Amen. Others present included Larry Ruth, Deborah Eagan, Paul Zillig, David Potter, Mike Mascoe, and Cory Schmidt. Chair Hellerich called the meeting to order at 5:34 and welcomed those attending.

(a.) Surface Water Quality Cost-Share Applications.

The first item was to review and consider the fall cost-share application from Jala LLC. The application is for the maximum amount of \$10,000 for terraces in Section 4-12-6, Lancaster County. A map showing the location of the proposed conservation practice was provided. According to the program budget, funds are still available in the Western Portion of the District.

It was moved by Barrett, seconded by DeKalb, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to recommend the Board of Directors approve the cost-share application for Jala LLC in the amount of \$10,000.

(b.) Viewing/Discussion of “Dreaming of a Vetter World”.

The second item was the viewing of a documentary film entitled “Dreaming of a Vetter World”. David Vetter is a soil scientist and organic farmer near Marquette, Nebraska. He and his family own and operate 280 acres and do things a little different than the conventional farmer. The film shows how Vetter uses crop rotation, cover crops, livestock, natural fertilizers, etc. in the operation without the use of chemicals to produce their crops, protect the soil, and enhance the land. Discussion between the subcommittee members followed the film showing.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Cc: Cory Schmidt