## BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING May 19, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District met virtually via video / teleconference and in-person at the Lower Platte South NRD Office on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Directors participating were Aldridge, Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum. Eagan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Eagan welcomed those in attendance, and the pledge of allegiance was recited. She noted that the public meetings law is posted on the NRD Website. She requested all cell phones be put on silent mode. She reminded everyone a recording of the meeting will be on the NRD website. Eagan requested anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item to give their name and which agenda item they wished to speak on. An opportunity for public present to speak to non-agenda items was given.

Eldon Ficke and Duane Burd of Pleasant Dale addressed the Board regarding a streambank erosion problem occurring on the Burd property.

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS.

20 Directors were present upon roll call.

ITEM 2. PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICE OF MEETING.

Eagan reported that the legal notice for the Directors' Meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star on May 7, 2021.

ITEM 3. CONSIDERATION OF DIRECTORS' ABSENCES.

Eagan stated that there were no requests for excused absences received for the May 19, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.

ITEM 4. ADOPT AGENDA

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

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Schutz

ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING.

It was moved by Ruth and seconded by Hellerich to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis,

Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: Aldridge

NOT PRESENT: Schutz

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

Andersen reported that the Finance & Planning Subcommittee did not meet prior to the Board Meeting.

Andersen stated that the financial reports for the period July 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021 had been distributed.

Paul Zillig, General Manager answered questions of the Board regarding the financial reports.

It was moved by Andersen and seconded by Stevens to approve the financial reports for the period of July 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021 and publish the General Expenditures for April 2021. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Schutz

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

**RECOMMENDATIONS** 

Ruth stated that the Water Resources Subcommittee met on May 17, 2021.

Ruth moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors recommend for Monolith well permit applications for OC2 Wells #1, 2 & 3, the Board of Directors determine that no additional information is required, request that Monolith submit their application on June 4, 2021, and the District proceed with the process for public input and consideration at a Special Board Meeting in late June. The motion was approved.

AYE: AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Schutz

Ruth moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the amendment to the existing irrigation agreement with Lori and Jerome Dworak for irrigation with water from Weeping Water 15-B reservoir, and direct staff to work with the Department of Natural Resources to make the necessary changes to permit A-17206. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty,

Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Schutz

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

Hellerich stated that two cost-share applications for assistance have been received for installing water quality improvement practices. They are for the NRD's Summer Conservation Program and both are in Cass County. He indicated that the Land Resources Subcommittee did not meet, however, the applications were reviewed by the Eastern Review Group. The group did not find any issues or concerns.

It was moved by Hellerich and seconded by Andersen to approve the cost-share applications from Cecil Klein and the Gary H. Rieke Revocable Trust for the Summer Conservation Program totaling \$26,238. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Aldridge and Schutz

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

Stevens stated that the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee met on May 12, 2021.

Stevens moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors enter into the amended lease agreement with the Village of Valparaiso permitting the Village of Valparaiso to construct a gazebo subject to the conditions in the amended lease agreement. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Aldridge and Schutz

ITEM 10. REPORT OF THE URBAN SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Green stated that the Urban Subcommittee met on May 18, 2021.

Green moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Professional Services Agreement with FYRA Engineering, for Engineering Services Repairs, on the Antelope Creek Pipe Rehabilitation Project near 5200 Van Dorn Street, in an amount not to exceed \$20,870. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Aldridge and Schutz

Green moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Hickman for the City of Hickman 68<sup>th</sup> Street Bike Trail Underpass Community Assistance Program project. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Aldridge and Schutz

ITEM 11. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Eagan stated that the Executive Subcommittee met on May 18, 2021.

It was moved by Landis and seconded by Andersen that the Board of Directors go into closed session at 7:53 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter relating to a district employee in a manner that will prevent the potential for needless injury to the reputation of the district employee and potential embarrassment to the employee and that the employee has not requested a public meeting. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Aldridge and Schutz

It was moved by Landis and seconded by Andersen to return to open session at 8:15 p.m. The motion was approved.

AYE: Andersen, Barrett, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Lamberty, Landis, Lewis, Nolte, Peterson, Ruth, Seacrest, Spangler, Stevens, Vogel and Yoakum

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Aldridge and Schutz

ITEM 12. NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF RESOURCES DISTRICTS (NARD) REPORT

Luke Peterson, NARD Representative for the Lower Platte South NRD gave a report on upcoming NARD activities. He reported on activities scheduled for the upcoming Papio-Missouri River NRD Basin Tour in Omaha.

ITEM 13. PERMIT AND PROGRAM APPROVALS

A report of permit and program approvals was distributed.

ITEM 14. SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

A schedule of upcoming events and activities was mailed out.

ITEM 15. FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

Various memos were mailed out.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 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 May 19, 2021, 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.

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