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Agenda Item #10

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Dan Schulz, Resources Coordinator *Dan*

DATE: December 11, 2019

SUBJECT: Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee Minutes

On Tuesday, December 10, 2019, the Recreation, Forestry and Wildlife Subcommittee met in the District conference room at 5PM. Subcommittee members present were Chair-Anthony Schutz, Gary Aldridge, Tom Green, Don Jacobson, Chelsea Johnson, Dan Steinkruger and Ray Stevens. Others present were Deb Eagan, Jocelyn Golden-Lincoln Assistant City Attorney, Sara Hartzell-Lincoln Park Planner, Ariana Kennedy, David Potter, Dan Schulz and Paul Zillig.

The first agenda item was the Honvlez conservation easement property right of first refusal. Schulz provided background on the acquisition of the Honvlez conservation easement for the Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch Project and the notification from Shannon Roberts, the owner of the Honvlez conservation easement property. Hartzell reviewed how this property is important to making a trail connection from Denton, Nebraska. Hartzell and Schulz provided information on the property listed for sale north of the conservation easement and its importance to the projects trail connection. They also indicated how City & District staff are working to have appraisal's ready for consideration on both property's in January (see attached maps).

Schulz discussed the timeline of the right of first refusal notification and the need to execute a 45 day extension to Robert's notification (see attached). Schulz

indicated Roberts had agreed to the extension and staff is working on setting up a meeting with Roberts to obtain her signature on the extension agreement.

It was moved by Jacobson, seconded by Stevens and unanimously approved to recommend that the Recreation, Forestry and Wildlife Subcommittee direct the General Manager to sign the 45 day extension of the right of first refusal.

It was moved by Stevens, seconded by Johnson and unanimously approved to recommend that the Lower Platte South NRD Board of Directors concur to approve the extension of the right of first refusal for the purchase of the Honvlez conservation easement property in the Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch.

The last agenda item was staff reports and updates. Kennedy reported on the bids received for debris removal on the Lied Platte River Bridge (see attached). Kennedy also reported on the completion of trail bridges inspections and the 8th annual meeting for the Lincoln Sports Foundation motocross track. Schulz reported on the attached UNL saline wetland research grant from EPA. Schulz then gave updates on the Lincoln Saline Wetland Nature Center/Lincoln Police Department borrow site and on USDA PL-566 Little Salt Creek Watershed grant application. He indicated the District was notified about receiving planning funds for the project and now waiting for the funds to be released.

Schutz adjourned the meeting at 6:08PM.