



LOWER PLATTE SOUTH

natural resources district

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING March 20, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District met on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 2:00 p.m., at the Lower Platte South NRD office, 3125 Portia, Lincoln, Nebraska. Directors present were Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson. Ruth called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Ruth 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. He requested all cell phones be put on silent mode. He reminded everyone a recording of the meeting can be found on the NRD website. He offered an opportunity for public present to speak to non-agenda items.

Charlie Simonds addressed the Board and spoke on Pollinator Plots.

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS.

Twenty one Directors were present upon roll call.

ITEM 2. PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICE OF MEETING.

Ruth reported that the legal notice for the Directors' Meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star on March 7, 2019.

ITEM 3. CONSIDERATION OF DIRECTORS' ABSENCES.

Ruth stated that there were no requests for excused absences to consider.

ITEM 4. ADOPT REVISED AGENDA

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

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 5. RECOGNITION OF STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

Kathy Spence recognized Donna Reid, District Secretary / Program Assistant, for 25 years to service to the District and Connie Damrow, Bookkeeper, for 10 years of service to the District. Dan Schulz recognized Dick Ehrman, Water Resources Specialist, for 10 years of service to the District and Paul Zillig recognized Shaula Ross, GIS Specialist, for 15 years of service to the District.

ITEM 6. APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING.

It was moved by Osborn and seconded by DeKalb to amend the minutes of the February 20, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting to reflect that Osborn abstained from voting on Item 9(d) because he lived at Capitol Beach and was on the Board of Capitol Beach. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, C. Johnson, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler and Steinkruger
ABSTAIN: Amen, B. Johnson, Osborn, Stevens and Wilson
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: Landis

It was moved by Osborn and seconded by Eagan to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting as amended was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler and Steinkruger
ABSTAIN: B. Johnson, Stevens and Wilson
NAY: None
NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 6.1 REPORT FROM GENERAL MANAGER ON FLOODING

General Manager Paul Zillig gave a report of the flooding of the Platte and Missouri Rivers.

ITEM 7. REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Steinkruger reported that the Finance & Planning Subcommittee did not meet prior to the Board meeting. He stated that the financial reports for the period July 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019 had been distributed.

Paul Zillig, General Manager and Kathy Spence, Administrative Assistant answered questions of the Board regarding the financial reports.

It was moved by Steinkruger and seconded by Spangler to approve the financial reports for the period of July 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019 and publish the expenditures for February 2019. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

ABSTAIN: Schmidt

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 8. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Ruth stated that the Executive Subcommittee met on March 19, 2019.

Paul Zillig, General Manager; Dan Schulz, Resources Coordinator; Caleb Pharris with Olsson and Brad Marshall with Olsson answered questions of the Board.

Ruth moved the Executive Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors authorize selling 0.418 total credits from the NRD's Blue Heron Wetland Bank for \$20,000 to John Rallis for the Rallis Residential Development. The motion failed.

AYE: Stevens

NAY: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger and Wilson

NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 9. REPORT OF THE PLATTE RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Jacobson stated that the Platte River Subcommittee met just prior to the Board meeting.

Jacobson moved the Platte River Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance, approve and authorize the General Manager to sign the Joint Funding Agreements with Lower Platte North NRD, Lincoln Water System and MUD for funding of the water quality monitoring site at Leshara. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

Jacobson moved the Platte River Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance, approve the Agreement with USGS for the continued operation of the real-time continuous water quality monitoring site at Leshara. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

David Potter, Assistant General Manager, answered questions of the Board on the long-term monitoring sites.

Jacobson moved the Platte River Subcommittee’s recommendation that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance, approve the Agreement with USGS for continued operation of the real-time continuous water quality 3 long-term monitoring sites on the Elkhorn River at Waterloo, Salt Creek at Ashland and the Platte River at Louisville. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 10. REPORT OF THE LAND RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Hellerich stated that the Land Subcommittee did not meet prior to the Board meeting.

He stated that twelve cost-share applications were received for summer work with two for grassed waterways and ten for terraces. All applications had been reviewed by the cost-share review groups.

Name	County	Type	Amount
Lyle Janak	Butler	Terraces	\$15,000.00
John Spader	Lancaster	Terraces	\$15,000.00
Susan Boswell	Lancaster	Grassed Waterways	\$2,305.26
Twin B. General Partnership	Lancaster	Terraces	\$15,000.00
Brad Braunsroth	Lancaster	Terraces	\$15,000.00
Marjorie Alexis Trust	Lancaster	Terraces	\$15,000.00
Darlene Stanek	Saunders	Terraces	\$11,629.45
Steven Stanek	Saunders	Terraces	\$12,332.18
Danny Bornemeier	Cass	Terraces	\$15,000.00
Clinton Bornemeier	Cass	Terraces	\$15,000.00
Miller Family Trust	Cass	Grassed Waterways	\$3,457.89
Robert Ruhge	Otoe	Terraces	\$15,000.00
		TOTAL	\$149,724.78

It was moved by Hellerich and seconded by Landis that the Board of Directors approve the twelve cost-share applications for installing summer water quality practices as submitted and reviewed totaling \$149,724.78. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 11. REPORT OF THE WATER RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Ruth stated that the Water Resources Reports on the 2018 Ground Water Management Plan Annual Report and the NRD's Well Decommissioning Program and 1,000th Well Decommissioned would be deferred to another meeting.

ITEM 12. REPORT OF THE URBAN SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

DeKalb stated that the Urban Subcommittee met on March 19, 2019. Paul Zillig, General Manager and Brad Marshall with Olsson answered questions of the Board regarding request for a conservation easement exchange.

DeKalb moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the easement exchange with Lincoln Federal Bank on a development called Wilderness Creek / Wilderness Hills located southwest of 40th and Yankee Hill Road contingent upon legal counsel review. The motion failed.

AYE: Green, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Spangler and Steinkruger

NOT PRESENT: None

DeKalb moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Engineering Services Agreement with Alfred Benesch & Company for the Salt Creek Levee Erosion Repair near Van Dorn Street Bridge, in an amount not to exceed \$19,956, subject to legal counsel review. The motion was approved.

AYE: Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Aldridge

DeKalb moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve 50% Community Assistance Program cost-share assistance to the Hamann Meadows Townhomes Association on Phase II (construction) of the Dam Rehabilitation Project in an amount not to exceed \$11,948.79. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: Spangler

NOT PRESENT: None

DeKalb moved the Urban Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Interlocal Agreement with Lancaster County to perform a joint project, LSC #2, and bridge replacement on Bridge F-88 at North 14th and Little Salt Creek. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 13. REPORT OF THE RECREATION, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE SUBCOMMITTEE AND
CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Schutz stated that the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee met on March 12, 2019.

Schutz moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors enter into the professional services contract with Olsson for engineering and permitting services to make repairs on the MoPac East and Homestead trail corridors subject to legal counsel review. The motion was approved.

AYE: Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: Aldridge, Hellerich and Spangler

NOT PRESENT: None

Schutz moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors enter into the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Lincoln and the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission on saline wetlands. The motion was approved.

AYE: Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NOT VOTING: Aldridge

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

Schutz indicated that proposals were requested from five local businesses and that 84 Lumber and Decks Unlimited submitted a proposal to replace the kiosk at Whitehead Saline Wetland observation kiosk.

Schutz moved the Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors accept the low proposal from Decks Unlimited in the amount of \$15,073.18 to replace the Whitehead Saline Wetland observation kiosk. The motion was approved.

AYE: Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, Jacobson, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: None

ITEM 14. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING CLOSED SESSION

There were no items requiring closed session.

ITEM 15. PERMIT AND PROGRAM APPROVALS

A report of permit and program approvals was distributed.

ITEM 16. SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

A schedule of upcoming events and activities was mailed out.

ITEM 17. FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

Various memos were mailed out.

Milt Schmidt gave a report of NARD activities.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 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 March 20, 2019, 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.

Bruce Johnson, Secretary

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