



LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING May 20, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District met via video / teleconference on Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Directors participating were Aldridge, Amen, Andersen, Barrett, DeKalb, Eagan, Green, Hellerich, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, Landis, Osborn, Peterson, Ruth, Schmidt, Schutz, Spangler, Steinkruger, Stevens and Wilson. Ruth called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 NRD Office and is on the NRD Website. He stated that carrying concealed weapons is prohibited on NRD property. He requested all cell phones be put on silent mode. He reminded everyone a recording of the meeting will be on the NRD website. Ruth 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. No one wished to speak to either an agenda item or non-agenda item.

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS.

Twenty Directors were present upon roll call.

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

Absent: Jacobson

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 May 7, 2020.

ITEM 3. CONSIDERATION OF DIRECTORS' ABSENCES.

Ruth stated that a request for an excused absence was received from Don Jacobson for the May 20, 2020 Board of Directors meeting.

It was moved by Landis and seconded by Andersen to approve the request for an excused absence from Don Jacobson for the May 20, 2020 Board of Directors meeting. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

ITEM 4. ADOPT AGENDA

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

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

ITEM 5. APPROVE OF MINUTES.

It was moved by Eagan and seconded by Osborn to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

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

Steinkruger stated that the Finance & Planning Subcommittee met on April 30, 2020. He stated that the financial reports for the period July 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020 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 Osborn to approve the financial reports for the period of July 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020 and publish the General Expenditures for April 2020. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

Steinkruger moved the Finance & Planning Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors adopt the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for the NRD by approving Resolution Number 2020-1. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

ITEM 7. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Ruth stated that the Executive Subcommittee met on May 18, 2020.

David Potter, Assistant General Manager outlined the Memorandum of Agreement with the National Association of Conservation Districts and answered questions of the Board.

Ruth moved the Executive Subcommittee’s recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the 2020 Memorandum of Agreement with the National Association of Conservation Districts to provide additional technical assistance funding. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

Ruth moved the Executive Subcommittee’s recommendation that the Board of Directors authorize the Board Chair to determine regular Board Meeting dates, times and locations due COVID 19 . The motion was approved.

It was moved by Osborn and seconded by DeKalb to amend the motion to add a termination date of September 30, 2020. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: Eagan and Ruth

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

The amended motion that the Board of Directors authorize the Board Chair to determine regular Board Meeting dates, times and locations due to COVID 19 until September 30, 2020 was approved.

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

NAY: Aldridge

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

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

DeKalb stated that the Urban Subcommittee met on May 13, 2020.

Paul Zillig, General Manager, answered questions of the Board on the Pipe Replacement Project and Agreement with the City.

DeKalb moved the Urban Subcommittee’s recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Professional Services Agreement with JEO Consulting Group, for the Salt Creek Pipe Replacement below Charleston St. Bridge Project, in an amount not to exceed \$23,220, pending legal counsel review. The motion was approved.

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

DeKalb moved the Urban Subcommittee’s recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021 Work Plan for the Interlocal Agreement on Stormwater Management, with the City of Lincoln. The motion was approved.

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

ITEM 9. REPORT OF THE LAND RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

David Potter, Assistant General Manager, gave a report on the Cover Crop Program Participation. He and Paul Zillig, General Manager, answered questions of the Board on the Cover Crop Program and the cost-share applications to be presented.

Hellerich stated that the Land Resources Subcommittee did not meet prior to the Board Meeting. He reported that there are a total of five applications before the Board for approval. All are for terraces and meet the qualifications for the cost-share program. He indicated that the applications have been reviewed by the Western Review Group.

Name	County	SEC	TWN	RNG	Practice	Amount	Targeted Area
Don White	Lancaster	3	11	5	Terraces	\$7,344	
Charles J. Maly	Lancaster	36	12	6	Terraces	\$15,000	
Shawn R. Smith	Lancaster	33	11	8	Terraces	\$1,517	
Timothy R. Lieske	Lancaster	35	10	7	Terraces	\$9,407	
Arnold & Mary Vandenburg	Butler	25	13	4	Terraces	\$20,000	SVL – Meadowlark
					TOTAL	\$53,268	

It was moved by Hellerich and seconded by Landis that the Board of Directors approve the Summer Surface Water Best Management Practices cost-share applications from Don White, Charles J. Maly, Shawn R. Smith, Timothy R. Lieske and Arnold & Mary Vandenburg for a total amount of \$53,268. The motion was approved.

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

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

Andersen stated that the Water Resources Subcommittee met on May 14, 2020.

Andersen moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the Cooperative Agreement with the University of Nebraska – Lincoln Conservation & Survey Division to provide test hole drilling and logging services for Fiscal Years 2021, 2022, and 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000, pending legal counsel review. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

Andersen stated that request for proposals were sent to four firms and Gana was the only one that submitted a proposal for the project. Paul Zillig, General Manager, answered questions of the Board on the Wildwood Restoration Project.

Andersen moved the Water Resources Subcommittee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve the proposal of \$36,700 from Gana Trucking & Excavating, Inc. for the North Oak 1-A / Wildwood Top of Dam Restoration Project. The motion was approved.

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

NAY: None

NOT PRESENT: Jacobson

ITEM 11. NARD REPORT

Dean Edson, Executive Director of the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD) and Milt Schmidt, LPSNRD Director, gave a report on the NARD Budget, Insurance rates, conference cancellations and upcoming legislation.

ITEM 12. PERMIT AND PROGRAM APPROVALS

A report of permit and program approvals was distributed.

ITEM 13. SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

A schedule of upcoming events and activities was mailed out.

ITEM 14. FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

Various memos were mailed out.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 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 20, 2020, 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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