

**LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD MINUTES  
BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 12, 1999**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Platte North NRD Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Lower Platte North NRD Office, Wahoo, NE on Monday, April 12, 1999.

**1. NOTICE OF MEETING**

Public notification was made in area newspapers no later than April 1, 1999. Meeting notification and agendas were also provided.

**2. ROLL CALL - INTRODUCTIONS**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:**

Bailey	Bull	Daufeldt
Grueber (arrived 7:22)	Jedlicka	Johannes
Johnson	Kavan	Lallman
Langemeier	Mastny	Nelson
McDermott	Saalfeld	Sabata
Sabatka	Sendgraff	Shelso
Wilke (arrived 7:26)		

**DIRECTORS ABSENT**

None

**STAFF AND GUESTS:**

Miyoshi	Mountford	Breunig
Vasa	Murren	

Lisa Brichacek, Wahoo Newspaper  
Brad Soncksen, Saunders County NRCS

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**4. COMMENTS - ADVISORS/GUESTS/DIRECTORS**

Soncksen updated the Board on the latest CRP signup and the spring staking work that has been done this last month. Clint Johannes updated the Board on a recent meeting he had with Steve Chick and Dean Edson and reported on the draft FY00 NARD Budget.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve the minutes from the March 15, 1999 Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**A. OPERATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

**1. WHIP REPORT**

**a. Payments**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve payment of \$2,460.00 on four WHIP contracts.

<u>Tony Divis</u>	<u>\$600.00</u>	<u>Gertrude Lechtenberger</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
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Edith Trawicke      \$1,277.50                      Carolyn Dannelly                      \$ 82.50

Motion carried on consent agenda.

**b.      New Contracts**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve two new WHIP contracts, DeLores Meysenburg, Butler County - \$465 and Audren Swanson, Madison County - \$2,100. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**2.      OPERATION & MAINTENANCE**

**a.      The Following Updates Were Given:**

- ✓ Rawhide Creek Main and West Branch Studies
- ✓ Czechland Wetland Grants
- ✓ Tree Sales

**b.      Czechland Roads**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to accept the low bid from H & H Trucking at \$14.22/ton for ¾" screened white rock to resurface the roads at Czechland Lake. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**3.      ROCK AND JETTY**

**a.      Clear Creek Drainage District Request**

Bull made the motion, seconded by Nelson, to allocate \$15,000/year for the next 5 years to the Clear Creek Drainage District for work accomplished and future work to be completed on their Platte River Dike. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**4.      EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS**

The District has not received any new complaints.

**5.      INFORMATION & EDUCATION**

**a.      Annual Report**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve payment of \$1,400 to insert the annual report into the Columbus, Schuyler, David City, Fremont, and Wahoo newspapers. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**b.      Letterhead**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to order 20,000 sheets of Hammermill Linen Natural #24 paper for letterhead from Tyler Graphics at a cost of \$1,475. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**c.      Master Plan**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, that staff continue work on the Master Plan update and investigate other potential contractors in addition to JEO. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**e. Fire Safety Request**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to deny a request from the Wahoo Volunteer Fire & Rescue Squad for funding assistance for a fire safety program. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, that the April LPNNRD Operation and Education Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**C. WATER COMMITTEE REPORT**

**1. REGULATORY**

**a. Ground Water Management Area**

**1. Well Permits**

No new requests.

**2. Distribution Manifold and Calibration Meter Cost-share**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve payment to: John Wood for \$1,100 for a calibration meter, to Farmer's Union COOP (Cedar Bluffs) for \$1,100 for a calibration meter, to Steven Arneal for \$1,100 for a calibration meter, to Robert Speicher for \$1,100 for a calibration meter, to Duane Ratkovec for \$1,100 for a calibration meter, to Robert Dauel for \$1,100 for a calibration meter, to Brian Jakub for \$1,203.71 for a calibration meter and anhydrous manifold, to Mike DeWispelare for \$1,397.50 for a calibration meter and anhydrous manifold. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**2. GROUND WATER PROGRAMS**

**A. Decommissioned Well Program**

**1. LPNNRD Cost-Share Program**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve payment to decommission the four irrigation wells for Quail Ridge Farms Inc. for \$820.23. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**2. Advertisement In Area Newspapers**

Grueber made the motion, seconded by Shelso, to approve payment up to \$900.00 to place a one week advertisement in all the area newspapers advertising the well decommissioning program. Motion carried.

**AYE:** Bailey, Bull, Daufeldt, Grueber, Jedlicka, Johannes, Langemeier, Mastny, Nelson, Saalfeld, Sabata, Sendgraff, Shelso, Wilke, McDermott

**NAY:** Johnson, Lallman, Sabatka

**ABSTAIN:** Kavan

**B. DISTRICT MONITORING WELLS**

**1. Stan Kaiser Wells**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, not to pay for registration of the two Stan Keiser monitoring wells. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**a. The Following Updates Were Given:**

⇒ Sand and Duck Creek Study

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- ⇒ Ground Water Quality Sampling
- ⇒ Precipitation Gauging Network

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, that the April LPNNRD Water Committee Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**C. PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT**

**1. NSWCP REPORT**

**a. Approve SWCP Payments**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve the following SWCP payment:

98-S-92      Bob Meduna      \$1,451.03 NRC      \$1,339.45 Local

Motion carried on consent agenda.

**b. Approve SWCP Tree Applications**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve the following SWCP applications for trees:

99-BO-34      Dennis McCloud      \$385.88

99-B-30      Jerold Kracl      \$204.00

Motion carried on consent agenda.

**2. WATERSHEDS**

**a. The Following Updates Were Given:**

- ✓ Skull Creek Watershed- Skull Creek Site #55
- ✓ Wahoo Creek

**b. Lake Wanahoo**

Miyoshi explained that to begin our recently approved Lake Wanahoo Study with the COE, we need to place \$105,000 of local funds in a special escrow account for this purpose. The approved study costs of up to \$500,000 will be shared by the COE (\$250,000), City of Wahoo (\$83,333), Saunders County (\$83,333), and LPNNRD (\$83,333). Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Kavan, to approve depositing \$105,000 to be shared equally with City of Wahoo, Saunders County and LPNNRD into an escrow account for the COE feasibility study on Lake Wanahoo. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Miyoshi proposed that a portion of the \$500,000 Wahoo Creek Sinking funds be used for our targeted land treatment effort above the seven dams sites on Sand and Duck creeks, as sited in the Wahoo Creek Watershed Plan. Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to allow use of up to \$50,000 of Wahoo Creek Sinking funds for land treatment practices above Sand and Duck Creek Watershed dam sites 2, 3, 5, 13, 15, 16 and 24. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**3. ELKHORN RIVER BREAKOUT IPA**

Grueber made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to approve the 1999 Elkhorn Breakout IPA assessments and approve resolution 99-01 as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**4. FSA & CRP PLANS**






Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve the following conservation plans:

<u>Boone</u>	<u>Platte</u>	<u>Butler</u>	<u>Saunders</u>
<u>Taake Bro.</u>	<u>D&amp;B Enterprise</u>	<u>Kobza, Robert</u>	<u>Hannan, Matt</u>
<u>Dicke, Dale</u>	<u>Wilke James</u>	<u>Stanislav, Lawrence</u>	<u>Engel, Jeff</u>
<u>Becker, William</u>		<u>Dostal, Dennis</u>	
<u>Kettelson, Alan</u>		<u>Kucera, Ernest</u>	
<u>Patzel, Gary</u>		<u>FAR Enterprises</u>	
		<u>6-K LTD</u>	

Motion carried on consent agenda.

**5. OTHER**

**a. The Following Updates Were Given:**

-  Livestock Waste Permits
-  Nebraska Buffer Strip Program
-  Platte Center Channel Project Update
-  Locally Led Conservation Report
-  Schuyler/Shell Creek Project Discussion

**b. PAM Demonstration Request**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to purchase a 35# drum of PAM for \$300.00. It was further recommended to cost-share 75% with landowners who use this material for soil erosion demonstration projects. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, that the LPNRRD April Project's Committee Meeting Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**D. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**1. Meetings**

**a. Pending**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to send Buscher to the GIS Users Conference July 26-30 in San Diego, CA. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**b. Reports**

Attached to the Executive Committee Minutes are the expense and reports from the NARD Washington DC effort.

**2. Management Items**

**a. Director Absences**

No absences requests were received in the past month.

**b. RC&D Effort**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to send a letter of support to the Genuine Partners who are attempting to get an RC&D started in the Platte-Colfax-Boone and Madison county area. It was further recommended that the NRD be active in formation of the steering committee. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**c. NWRA Dues**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve renewing membership in NWRA for the next year and paying the dues in the amount of \$800. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**d. The Following Updates Were Given:**

- ☛ Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Levee Study
- ☛ MUD Wellfield Activities
- ☛ Rural Water Study Update
- ☛ Lower Platte River COE Study
- ☛ Legislation
- ☛ NRCS Workload Analysis

**3. Equipment**

**a. Roof Repair**

Johnson made the motion, seconded by Shelso, that the District accept the low bid for repair on the NRD building from Midwest Thermal Coatings Company out of Omaha for \$5,950. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**b. Computers for Directors**

Johannes made the motion, seconded by Langemeier, to put the \$20,000 budgeted for the Directors computers into a sinking fund to be saved for use at a future time. Motion carried.

**AYE:** Bailey, Daufeldt, Grueber, Jedlicka, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Langemeier, Mastny, Saalfled, Sabatka, Sabatka, Sendgraff, Shelso, Wilke, McDermott

**NAY:** Bull, Lallman, Nelson

**4. Personnel**

**c. Summer Help Position and Wages**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Johnson, to add one additional summer position which would be on call and to increase the wages for WAE and Summer help to \$7.00. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**5. Finance**

**a. Approval of February Financial Statement**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve the February Financial Statement as distributed at the March Board Meeting. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**b. Approval of Managers Expenses**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve the Manager's expenses as attached to the Executive4 Committee Minutes. Motion carried on consent agenda.

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, that the LPNNRD April Executive Committee Meeting Minutes be received and placed on file. Motion carried on consent agenda.

**7. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS**

**7.a. Purchase of Envelopes**

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to purchase 10,000 #10 envelopes that match our letterhead at a cost of \$1,195. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**7.b. SWCP Approvals**

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to approve the following SWCP Application pending inspection and approval from staff:

Louis Kavan                      Diversion                      \$3,000

This diversion is above an approved small dam. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**7.c. Saunders County Project Requests**

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to assist Saunders County on the Malousek Road Structure at a 50% cost-share up to \$2,500, pending staff inspection. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to assist with Saunders County on the Valley View retention structure at a 50% cost-share up to \$3,000, pending staff inspection. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**7.d. Saunders County Rural Water Study**

In February, the Board approved a proposal from Olsson Environmental Sciences to complete a study of the Saunders County Rural/Community Water System at a cost of \$29,500. This study proposal also included studying the Mahoney Park/I-80 interchange area and Louisville, Cass County in the Lower Platte South NRD. In March, the NRD approved assisting with the study of the above areas in their District, and asked to add South Bend to the study for an additional \$300.

Grueber made the motion, seconded by Saalfeld; 1) to approve Amendment #1 to the original Rural Water Study contract by including South Bend for a total contract cost of \$29,800, 2) to approve Amendment No. 2 to our existing interlocal agreement with the LPSNRD that will allow us to work together and share study costs, and 3) to authorize the Manager to sign a contract with the Nebraska Mandates Management Initiative, that will allow us to receive a grant of \$10,000 for the Saunders and Cass County Rural Water Study Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**7.e. Wahoo State Bank Line of Credit**

Kavan made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to renew our line of credit with Wahoo State Bank for \$300,000 for a one year term. Motion carried.

**AYE:** Bailey, Bull Daufeldt, Grueber, Jedlicka, Johannes, Johnson, Kavan, Lallman, Langemeier, Mastny, Nelson, Saalfeld, Sabata, Sendgraff, Shelso, Wilke, McDermott

**ABSTAIN:** Sabatka

**7.g. Amendment to Addendum B**

Saalfeld made the motion, seconded by Johannes, to extend expiration date of Addendum B to the Lake Wanahoo Interlocal Agreement from June 3, 1999 to June 30, 2000. The amounts of the addendum will stay as originally stated. The amendment will allow sampling on both the Duck and Sand Creek to enhance our study on water quality of these two streams. Motion carried all members present voting aye

**8. BILLS TO BE APPROVED**

Shelso made the motion, seconded by Mastny, that all bills be approved and warrants be drawn in payment of same. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**9. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTION**

Sabatka made the motion, seconded by Grueber, to approve the April consent agenda, deleting items 6.B.2.A.2, 6.C.3. and 6.D.3.b. Motion carried all members present voting aye.

**10. COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS/GUESTS**

**11. MEETING ESTABLISHMENT AND ADJOURNMENT**

The May Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Monday, May 10, 1999. Time and location to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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Jane Daufeldt, Secretary