

In the absence of Chair Heine, Vice Chair Weinandt called the March 18, 2021 meeting of the Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District (LCNRD) Board of Directors to order at 1:30 p.m. at the LCNRD office. Vice Chair Weinandt stated to the public present that prior notice of the meeting had been publicized according to policy designated by the board. Vice Chair Weinandt announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located on the west wall of the meeting room. Roll call of members. Present: Condon, Hoelsing, Howey, and Weinandt. Participating via Zoom video conference: Armstrong and Steffen. Absent: Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt and Heine. By order of Governor Ricketts directors can fully participate in meetings held through April 30, 2021 when joining using video or teleconferencing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent agenda reviewed. It was moved by Steffen, seconded by Howey to approve minutes of the February 18, 2021 board meeting and the February 19, 2021 to March 18, 2021 consent agenda. The consent agenda includes financial reports, cost share approvals, claims, corrections, and additions. (Copy attached to file copy of minutes). Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Hoelsing, Howey, Steffen and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, and Heine. Motion carried (6-0-5).

**AGENCY REPORTS**

Irrigation well survey of nutrient concentration UNL: Vice Chair Weinandt moved to end of Agency Reports.

Planning Committee: Chair Steffen reported on the meeting held March 11, 2021 and presented recommendations as follows:

- Approve an additional \$12,500 of funding for test holes and/or observation wells in support of NET grant 19-122.
- Approve continuation of USGS Nitrate Stream gaging on Bazile Creek at the approximate cost of \$13,000 for the 2021 season.

It was moved by Hoelsing, seconded by Armstrong to approve the Planning Committee recommendations as stated above. Roll Call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Hoelsing, Howey, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, and Heine. Motion Carried (6-0-5).

NARD: No report

Natural Resources Commission (NRC): Steffen has been elected chair of the commission for a two-year term and reported on activities of the February meeting.

NE Nebraska RC&D and Wau-Col Rural Water Activities: No report for Wau-Col. Howey reported on the February RC&D meeting and activities, report attached to the file copy of the minutes.

NRCS: Rebekah Jessen, NRCS District Conservationist reviewed current NRCS Activities. Jessen presented the Amended Unfunded Cooperative Agreement between the NRCS/LCNRD to be considered by the board. It was moved by Howey, seconded by Hoelsing to approve the Amended Unfunded Cooperative Agreement between the NRCS and LCNRD as presented. Roll call vote: AYE Armstrong, Condon, Hoelsing, Howey, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, and Heine. Motion Carried (6-0-5).

Diane Wieseler presented the Program Assistants' quarterly activities report. Reports from Jessen and Wieseler are included in the director packet.

Bazile Groundwater Management Area: The report for Jeremy Milander, Bazile Extension Educator is included in the director packet. No report from Whitney Gappa, Bazile Coordinator.

Nebraska Forest Service: No report from Jorden Smith. Pam Bergstrom's report is in the director packet.

Irrigation well survey of nutrient concentration: UNL Professor of Agronomy, Charles Wortmann presented data on a 2019 update of irrigation well nutrient concentrations. The Power Point is attached to the file copy of the minutes.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES**

Manager Report: Sudbeck reviewed items from the Managers Report. Sudbeck stated the April 15th board meeting, which is typically held in the evening, will be held at 1:30pm. May through November meetings will be held in the evening. Sudbeck's report is included in the file copy of the minutes.

Introduction of 2021 Patefield-Green Scholarships: Schumacher reported there are 10 applications for consideration. Directors were provided application packets to review, rank and return for April consideration of top-ranking applications. The applications are attached to the file copy of the minutes.

Certified Acres: None

Well Permits, Expanded Irrigated Acres, and Flow Meter Requests:

*It was moved by Hoelsing, seconded by Condon to approve the permits as stated below.*

- 1. Bow Creek Valley Farms expanded acres permit X-21002 for 71 irrigated acres in NE Section 22, T30N, R1W.*
- 2. Norma Sparks expanded acres permit X-21003 for 66.5 acres in W1/2SE Section 3, T31N, R1W and pooling agreement P-21001 with PPH Farms LLC.*
- 3. Board of Education Land & Funds expanded acres permit X-21004 for 66.5 acres in E1/2SW Section 2, T31N, R1W and pooling agreement P-21002 with PPH Farms LLC.*
- 4. Dennis Gillilan well permit LC-291 for a well in the SENW Section 32, T30N, R1W, expanded acres permit X-21005 for 134 acres in NW Section 32, T30N, R1W, and FMLC-291 flow meter cost share.*
- 5. Lorraine Pinkelman well permit LC-292 for a well in the SWNE Section 36, T30N, R1W, expanded acres permit X-21006 for 14 acres in SWSWNE & NWNWNE Section 36, T30N, R1W, and FMLC-292 flow meter cost share.*
- 6. Gary Hoebelheinrich expanded acres permit X-21007 for 33 acres in the SWNW Section 32, T33N, R1E.*
- 7. Brian Rasmussen well permit LC-293 for a well in the SESW Section 7, R29N, R4E, expanded acres permit X-21008 for 90 acres in the N1/2SW & SWSW Section 7, T29N, R4E, and FMLC-293 flow meter cost share.*
- 8. John Rasmussen expanded acres permit X-21009 for 33 acres in the SESW Section 7, T29N, R4E, and pooling agreement P-21003 with Brain Rasmussen.*
- 9. Lavonne Campbell Trust well permit LC-294 for a well in the NENW Section 24, T31N, R2E, expanded acres permit X21010 for 133 acres in the W1/2NE & E1/2NW Section 24, T31N, R2E. and FMLC-294 flow meter cost share.*

*Roll Call Vote: AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Hoelsing, Howey, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, and Heine. Motion carried (6-0-5). Copy of March permits is included in the file copy of the minutes.*

Staff reports: Reports for Schumacher, Hochstein, Lammers, Buettner and Ravenkamp are included in the directors packet.

### **EXCUSED ABSENCES - CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW**

Excused absences – Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmit and Heine.

Correspondence review – Mike McDonald addressed the board about the Healthy Soils Task Force and Bow Creek Watershed Project. McDonald provided a packet to directors that is attached to the file copy of the minutes.

**RURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Director Weinandt and Project Manager Fiedler reported on Cedar Knox Rural Water Project (CKRWP) activities and presented recommendations from the March 11, 2021 meeting of the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project Advisory Committee as follows:

- Approve minutes of the February 11, 2021 Cedar Knox Rural Water Project Meeting.
- Approve expenses from February 12, 2021 to March 11, 2021 as presented.
- Approve the request for an additional meter at Wolf Run RV Resort.

*It was moved by Howey, seconded by Hoelsing to approve the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project report and each of the recommendations as stated above. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Hoelsing, Howey, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, and Heine. Motion carried (6-0-5).* CKRWP minutes and financials included in the file copy of minutes.

Ground Water Investigation Report: Sue Lackey, UNL Hydrogeologist, provided a power point presentation on the results of groundwater investigation that includes potential alternatives for an alternative source to serve CKRWP. A copy of the presentation is attached to the file copy of minutes.

**ADJOURN**

*It was moved by Condon, seconded by Hoelsing to adjourn the meeting at 4:30pm. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Hoelsing, Howey, Steffen, and Weinandt, NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, and Heine. Motion carried (6-0-5).*

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Curtis Armstrong \*\*\*\*##  
Dave Condon  
Leroy Hoelsing  
Gary Howey  
Jeff Steffen \*\*\*\*##  
Matt Weinandt

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Annette Sudbeck, Manager  
Scott Fiedler, CKRWP Manager  
Marilyn Schumacher, Office Mgr. \*\*\*  
Kristi Hochstein, Office Tech  
Myles Lammers, Water Resource Tech. \*\*\*  
Rebecca Ravenkamp, Bow Creek Coord. \*\*\*  
Chase Buettner, Resource Tech. \*\*\*  
Rebekah Jessen, NRCS District Conservationist  
Diane Wieseler, Program Assistant  
Charles Wortmann, UNL Prof. of Agronomy\*\*\*  
Sue Lackey, Hydrogeologist UNL  
Mike McDonald  
Janet McDonald

\*\*\* Indicates attendance via Zoom video conferencing.  
## Indicates voting via Zoom video conferencing

I, the undersigned Secretary for the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Board of Directors on March 18, 2021 and that all of the subject included in the foregoing proceeding were contained in the agenda for at least twenty four hours prior to said meeting; the minutes of the Chair and Board of Directors of said district were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the said body, that all news media requesting notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subject to be discussed at said meeting.

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Board Secretary