

LEWIS & CLARK NRD MINUTES

July 21, 2022

Chair Heine called the July 21, 2022, meeting of the Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District (LCNRD) Board of Directors to order at 7:02 p.m. in the conference room at the LCNRD office. Chair Heine stated to the public present that prior notice of the meeting had been publicized according to policy designated by the board. Chair Heine announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located on the west wall of the meeting room. Roll call of members. Present: Armstrong, Condon, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Steffen, and Weinandt. Absent: Christensen and Schmidt.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda review. *It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Hoelsing to approve minutes of the June 16, 2022, board meeting and the June 17, 2022, to July 21, 2022, consent agenda and check #23484 in the amount of \$701.23 to Dave Condon for Deep Soil cost share payment. The consent agenda includes financial reports, cost share approvals, claims, corrections, and additions. (Attached to file copy of minutes). Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: Condon. ABSENT: Christensen and Schmidt. Motion carried (8-0-1-2).*

Christensen enters the meeting at 7:07 pm.

Chair Heine welcomed the public and moved the Rural Water Advisory Committee activity up on the agenda.

RURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Weinandt and Fiedler reported on CKRWP activities. Weinandt presented recommendations from the July 14, 2022; meeting of the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project Advisory Committee as follows:

- To approve Minutes of the June 9, 2022, Cedar Knox Rural Water Project Meeting.
- To approve expenses from June 10, 2022, to July 14, 2022, as presented.
- To approve submitting an application and letter of support for the Water Sustainability Fund.
- To approve the draft budget figures and no changes to water rates for the fiscal year 2022-2023.
- To approve the removal of Village of Fordyce's demand charge.
- To approve the Engineering Application for Travis Barney (Sec 18 T33N R2W, Lot 9 Cedar Ridge Estates, Knox County) For 1 BU.

It was moved by Howey, seconded by Steffen to approve the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project report and each recommendation as stated above. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Christensen, Condon, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Schmidt. Motion carried (10-0-1)

Chair Heine provided the public time to make comments. Comments and questions were received pertaining to conversion of CKRWP's water source from the at-risk surface water intake to a groundwater source. The board and staff addressed the questions asked.

SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT AND PERMITTING

Mike Thompson from the NeDNR Permits and Registrations joined via Teams presenting on the history of surface water regulations and the current permit process.

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Condon reported on the recommendations of the budget committee. *It was moved by Kramer and seconded by Weinandt to approve Resolution 2022-3 for the 1% Lid Limit Allowance for FY2023 Budget as stated below.*

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District in the County of Cedar, Knox, and Dixon with 75% of the board present voting aye, the district approved the additional 1% increase allowable on base restrictions for the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget of the Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District in

accordance with Nebraska Revised Statute 13-519 at the Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District Board Meeting held on July 21, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: AYE: Armstrong, Christensen, Condon, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Schmidt. Motion carried (10-0-1).

It was moved by Howey, seconded by Steffen to approve other Budget Committee recommendations as follows:

- Approve FY2023 Preliminary Program Planning and Draft Budget.
- Approve initiation of a WFPO preliminary interest feasibility report for the South Creek Watershed in Dixon County.
- Approve submittal of the Water Sustainability Fund application.
- Approve well permits, expanded irrigated acres, and flow meter permits as follows.
 1. Charles & Jason Arens well permit LC-378R for a well in the NESE Section 5, T31N, R1W and flow meter cost share FMLC- 378R.
 2. Ronald & Patsy Kuhl well permit LC-379 for a well in the SENE Section 25, T32N, R4W, expanded irrigated acres permit X-22044 for 110 irrigated acres in S1/2NE & N1/2SE Section 25, T32N, R4W, and flow meter cost share FMLC-379.
 3. Randy Hanson expanded irrigated acres permit X-22045 for 23 irrigated acres in the NESE Section 25, T32N, R4W, and pooling agreement P-22003.
 4. Jordan & Ashley Moes well permit LC-380, LC-381, LC-382, LC-383 for wells in the SWNE Section 29, T29N, R4W, NENE Section 29, T29N, R4W, and NWNE Section 29, T29N, R4W, expanded irrigated acres permit X-22046 for 151 irrigated acres in NE Section 29, T29N, R4W, and flow meter cost share FMLC-380.
 5. Monte & Diane Morten well permit LC-384 for a well in the NENW Section 20, T31N, R3E, expanded acres permit X-22047 for 70 irrigated acres in S1/2NW Section 20, T31N, R3E, and, flow meter cost share FMLC-384.

Roll Call Vote: AYE: Armstrong, Christensen, Condon, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Schmidt. Motion carried (10-0-1). Well permits attached to file copy of the minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

Manager's Report: Sudbeck reviewed items from the Manager's Report attached to file copy of the minutes.

Staff Reports: Reports for Hochstein, Lammers, Jacobsen, Trenhaile, Krusemark, A. Fiedler were provided in the director packet. Ravenkamp gave a short presentation on Bow Creek water testing results and the Bow Creek Field Day at the Steffen farm.

Certified Irrigated Acres Certification: None

AGENCY ACTIVITIES

NE Nebraska RC&D and Wau-Col Rural Water Activities: Howey reported on RC&D activity. No report for Wau-Col Rural Water.

Natural Resources Commission (NRC): Steffen reported a meeting would take place on August 11, 2022.

NARD Activity: Kramer no report.

Bazile GMA Updates: Jeremy Milander, Bazile Extension Educator, and Lisa Lauver, Bazile Groundwater Management Area reports were provided in the director packet.

Nebraska Forest Service: Report from Pam Bergstrom was provided in the director's packet.

NRCS Report: Rebekah Jessen, NRCS District Conservationist reviewed current NRCS activities.

EXCUSED ABSENCES - CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

Excused absences – Russ Schmidt.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Steffen, seconded by Howey to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 pm. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Christensen, Condon, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Steffen, and Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Schmidt. Motion carried (10-0-1).

MEMBERS PRESENT

Curtis Armstrong
Bill Christensen
Dave Condon
Carolyn Heine
Leroy Hoelsing
Gary Howey
Chris Johnson
Marcel Kramer
Jeff Steffen
Matt Weinandt

GUESTS PRESENT

Annette Sudbeck, Manager
Scott Fiedler, CKRWP Program Manager
Myles Lammers, Water Resources Coord.
Kristi Hochstein, Office Coord.
Reed Trenhaile, Information & Ed Technician
Rebekah Jessen, District Conservationist
Lisa Lauver, BGMA Coordinator
Mike Thompson, DNR Permits & Registrations *

* Joined Via Teams

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 July 21, 2022 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.

Board Secretary