

Chair Steffen called the January 16, 2020 meeting of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 1:31 p.m. Chair Steffen stated to the public present prior notice of the meeting had been publicized according to policy designated by the board and a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located on the west wall of the meeting room.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda was reviewed. It was moved by Howey, seconded by Heine to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2019 board meeting and the December 20, 2019 to January 16, 2020 consent agenda which includes 1-22-20 Per Diem, financial reports, cost share approvals, claims, cancellations, corrections and additions. (Copy attached to file copy of minutes). Roll call vote: AYE: Condon, Christensen, Heine, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hoelsing, Armstrong, Weinandt. Motion carried (8-0-3).

DIRECTORS ACTIVITY

Natural Resources Commission (NRC): Steffen reported on Water Sustainability Fund (WSF) rankings and awards. Weinandt enters the meeting at 1:37 p.m.

NE RC&D and Wau-Col RWS: Howey provided a report on the Northeast Nebraska Resource Conservation & Development (NE RC&D) and Wau-Col Rural Water System. (reports attached to the file copy of minutes.) Armstrong enters the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

NARD: Kramer reported on the Nebraska Natural Resources District Legislative Conference to be held January 28-29th in Lincoln.

RURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Director Weinandt reported on Cedar Knox Rural Water Project Advisory Committee Meeting held January 9, 2020. (financial report and draft minutes attached to file copy of minutes.)

January 9, 2020 recommendations:

1. Approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Cedar Knox Rural Water Project meeting.
2. Approve the financial report from December 13, 2019 – January 9, 2020 as presented.
3. Approve acceptance \$10,000 Security Grant and authorize management to sign grant documents.
4. Approve acceptance \$20,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Planning Grant and authorize management to sign grant documents.
5. Approve the Engineering Review Application for Joseph and Kim Neuhalfen (Sec 24, T33N, R2W, Knox County) 1 BU.

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

NRCS REPORT

Tyler Specht, NRCS District Conservationist, reported on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) meetings and site visits, trainings, and Local Work Group meeting for LCNRD scheduled for February 27th. Specht reported he will be leaving NRCS to pursue other opportunities effective January 31st.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITY

NSWCP 2020 Average Cost Adjustments: It was moved by Christensen and seconded by Weinandt to approve Nebraska Soil & Water Conservation Program (NSWCP) 2020 Average Costs and recommended changes on cost share rates as presented. (Copy of average costs attached to file copy of minutes.) Roll call vote: Heine, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Weinandt, Armstrong, Condon, Christensen, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hoelsing. Motion carried (10-0-1).

Mid-Year Budget Review: Sudbeck reported on the status of the FY 2020 budget. (report attached to file copy of the minutes.)

Bazile Reports: Milander and Baldwin's reports are attached to the file copy of the minutes.

Action on Well Permits, Expanded Irrigated Acres, Flow Meters: None.

Manager's Report: Sudbeck's report is attached to the file copy of the minutes.

Staff Updates: Schumacher, Lammers, and Bermel's reports are attached to file copy of minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW - EXCUSED ABSENCES

Director Hoelsing contacted the office prior to the meeting and is excused from the meeting.

Manager Sudbeck handed out information from the Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) on a bridge replacement on Highway 12, Missouri Sediment Action Coalition (MSAC) proceeding with USACE Section 22 Planning Assistance to the States application, the National Association of Conservation Districts meeting February 8-12th in Las Vegas, Nevada, information from Jason Thiele, with Nebraska Game & Parks, on acres enrolled in the Small Grains Program.

Next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. February 20th at the LCNRD office with a planning committee meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Chair Steffen adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

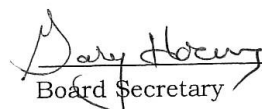
MEMBERS PRESENT

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

GUESTS PRESENT

Annette Sudbeck, Manager
Marilyn Schumacher, Office Mgr
Myles Lammers, Res Coord
Elle Bermel, Office Tech
Tyler Specht, NRCS District Conservationist
Scott Fiedler, CKRWP Manager

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 January 16, 2020 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 Chairman 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