

Chairman Steffen called the August 15, 2019 meeting of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 6:04 pm at Nissen Winery, 88973 Hwy 57 Hartington NE. Chairman Steffen stated prior notice of the meeting had been publicized according to policy designated by the board and announced to the public present that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located on the southwest wall of the meeting room.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda and financial reports were reviewed. *It was moved by Hoelsing, seconded by Weinandt to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2019 board meeting and the July 19 to August 15, 2019 consent agenda which includes the financial reports, cost share approvals, claims, cancellations, and corrections. (Copy attached to file copy of minutes). Roll call vote. AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Christensen, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Weinandt, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Heine. Motion carried (10-0-1).*

CEDAR KNOX RURAL WATER PROJECT REPORT

Weinandt and Fiedler reported on the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project Advisory Committee meeting held Thursday July 8 and discussion was held.

NARD CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS AND DELEGATES

Kramer and Sudbeck reported on submitted resolutions and discussion was held in support of the single resolution received. Chairman Steffen appointed Kramer as LCNRD delegate and Howey as alternate for the Natural Resources Districts (NRDs) Annual Conference in Kearney to be held September 22-24.

DIRECTORS ACTIVITY

MSAC Report: No report for the Missouri Sedimentation Action Coalition.

Natural Resources Commission: Steffen reported on Water Sustainability Fund (WSF) applications received. There will be a executive committee meeting the end of August.

NARD Report: Kramer reported on NARD resolutions and former Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District Manager, Tom Moser, has been selected to receive the NRD Hall of Fame award.

RC&D & Wau Col: Howey reported the July Northeast Nebraska Resource Conservation & Development meeting was held at the Ponca City Council office on July 22. Executive Director, Jocelyn Osborne submitted her resignation effective August 31. The executive board will begin looking for a Director immediately. Household Hazardous Waste Collections will be held in Wayne and Neligh in early September. The next RC&D meeting will be August 26 in Wynot. A Wau-Col Regional Water System meeting was not held in July.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

Budget Summary: Manager Sudbeck reported there are no changes to the LCNRD proposed budget from the July meeting.

Grants: Grant applications will be submitted for Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET) and Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE) 319 in September. Mike McDonald from Nemaha NRD proposed a NET grant application that is to be farmer based to promote soil health practices.

NSWCP: Sudbeck reported on a Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Program (NSWCP) request to fund an ultra-low-density brush management application. Discussion was held on whether to include ultra-low-density brush management as an approved practice to receive Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Program funding. *It was moved by Hoelsing and seconded by Armstrong to omit ultra-low-density brush management from the list of approved practices for NSWCP cost share in the LCNRD. Roll call vote. AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Christensen, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Weinandt, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Heine. Motion carried (10-0-1).*

Bazile Reports: Phil Steinkamp's final report and Jeremy Milander's monthly report are included in the packet. Sudbeck reported Steinkamp will no longer be the coordinator for the Bazile area and the process will start immediately to fill that position.

Manager's Report: The 2019 tree report is included in the packet. Sudbeck attended the Missouri Sedimentation Action Coalition (MSAC) meeting. This meeting was to allow stakeholders an opportunity to voice their opinions of what practices should be included in Phase 1 and Phase 2 planning for sediment management in the Lewis & Clark Lake and to establish an avenue to secure funding. Powder Creek Lake will continue to be drawn down for another month before Nebraska Game and Parks Commission will begin to restock and refill the Lake. Drawdown will continue for another month on Powder Creek Lake. The NRD managers and NRCS partnership review is ongoing and the first subcommittee meeting was held last week.

Staff Reports: Lammers, Baldwin, and Bermel reports are included in the packet.

NRCS REPORT

Specht reported NRCS is finishing Dixon County Emergency Watershed Program (EWP) applications. General EQIP ranking is wrapping up and Nebraska submitted a request for additional funds for EQIP cover crops. Specht reported NRCS will be starting to pre-approve Bazile Nebraska Water Quality Initiative applications. Area IV Range Judging contest will be held September 18 near Santee and volunteers are needed.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

Director Heine contacted the office and is excused from the meeting.

It was moved by Schmidt, seconded by Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 pm. Roll call vote. AYE: Armstrong, Condon, Christensen, Hoelsing, Howey, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Weinandt, Steffen. Nay: None. ABSENT: Heine. Motion carried (10-0-1).

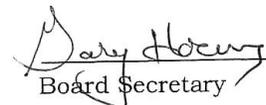
MEMBERS PRESENT

Armstrong, Curtis
Condon, Dave
Christensen, Bill
Hoelsing, Leroy
Howey, Gary
Johnson, Chris
Kramer, Marcel
Schmidt, Russ
Weinandt, Matt
Steffen, Jeff

GUESTS PRESENT

Tyler Specht, District Conservationist
Annette Sudbeck, Manager
Scott Fiedler, CKRWP Manager
Marilyn Schumacher, Office Manager
Myles Lammers, Water Resources Coordinator
Elle Bermel, Office Program Tech

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 August 15, 2019 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