LEWIS & CLARK NRD MINUTES

March 15, 2018

Chairman Fuchtman called the March 15, 2018 meeting of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 1:28 pm. Chairman Fuchtman 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 Meeting Act is located on the west wall of the meeting room, Hartington NE.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda additions were distributed and changes were noted including additional bills for Cedar Knox Rural Water which need to be paid prior to next month. It was moved by Heine, seconded by Christensen to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 board meeting and the March consent agenda which includes the treasurer's report, cost share approvals, claims, cancellations, corrections and additions. (Copy attached to file copy of minutes). Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Christensen, Heine, Hoesing Howey, Fuchtman, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Kramer, Johnson. Motion carried (9-0-2).

IEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC

Jonathan Mohr, JEO Consulting Group Environmental Planner along with Mahesh Pun, E. I., Hydrologist, Long Spring, Inc. addressed the board to review potential modeling and mapping services. A report will be provided detailing product they could provide for the NRD utilizing existing data including AEM along with a cost estimate. (Johnson enters the meeting)

NRCS REPORT

Diane Wieseler Program Assistant reported on activities in the NRCS offices this past quarter (copy of PA report attached to file copy of minutes). Tyler Specht, NRCS DC reported on organizational improvement teleconference and the concept of 1-USDA.

BGMA Report

Phil Steinkamp introduced himself and reported on activities of the Bazile Groundwater Management area. The National Water Quality Incentives (NWQI) area has about 30 applications the signup deadline is May 18. Locations of unused wells are being logged and will send letters to landowners about the need to decommission these wells.

HOLT & BOYD COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATOR

Amy Timmerman, Extension Educator for Holt and Boyd County thanked the board for participating in the Youth Corn Challenge. Timmerman reviewed contacts made with the schools in the Bazile Groundwater Management Area and will follow up with them the next week. The TAPS program first meeting will be next week hopefully. Timmerman offers Watermark soil moisture sensors for interested cooperators. Timmerman reported on state budget cuts and potential affects to Extension and in particular Haskell Labs. (Wieseler and Steinkamp leave the meeting)

DIRECTORS ACTIVITIES

Gary Howey reported Wau-Col RWS meeting held Feb 2, no major action was taken. The Northeast Nebraska RC&D will be hosting a household waste collection in April at Wayne and O'Neill.

No report on NARD as Marcel Kramer was not in attendance. Manager Sudbeck reported on LB 98-3 cent Levy Bill for fully appropriated basins and LB808 community garden proposal with funding from Water Sustainability Fund.

Jeff Steffen reported the budget for Water Sustainability Fund (WSF) is proposed to be reduced by 3.4 million dollars next year. WSF board is working on application rules including projects needing Corps 404 permit and will meet again on May 12.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

Manager Sudbeck reported on candidates for the Lewis & Clark NRD Board in the upcoming election.

Manager Sudbeck reviewed with the board the Conservation and Survey Division cooperative agreement. After discussion of cost and budgeting for this, it was moved by Armstrong, seconded by Schmidt to approve the UNL-CSD Cooperative Agreement for \$55,000 Dakota Test hole and well and green gravel well. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Christensen, Heine, Hoesing Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Kramer. Motion carried (10-0-1).

Myles Lammers reviewed well permit applications received. The application received were 3 well permits, 4 expanded acre permits and 3 flow meter cost share requests. <u>It was moved by Howey, seconded by Hoesing to approve:</u>

- Doug Milander Trust, Well Permit LC206 located in NWNW Section 8, T29N, R1E, Expanded Acres Permit X18004 for 34 acres in Section 8, T29N, R1E and Flow Meter Cost Share FMLC206,
- Danny Sudbeck Well Permit LC207 located in NE Section 8, T31N- R2E, Expanded Acres Permit X18005 for 115 acres in NE Section 8, T31N, R2E, and Flow Meter Cost Share FMLC207,
- Bill Davis Expanded Acres X18006 for 22 acres in SE Section 15-30-3W
- <u>Jerry Schroeder Well Permit LC208 SE Section 17, T30N, R4E, Expanded Acres Permit X18007 for 133 acres in SE Section 17, T30N, R4E and Flow Meter Cost Share FMLC208.</u>

Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Christensen, Heine, Hoesing Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Kramer. Motion carried (10-0-1). Myles Lammers reported on well monitoring pumping, chemigation and water quality result letters being readied.

Joslynn VanDerslice reported on procedure for selecting recipients of the Patefield Green Scholarship. VanDerslice also reported on the water conference, Bazile Area Survey and updating of the NRD website. Office Manager Schumacher updated the board on the Corps of Discovery Welcome Center activities.

Manager Sudbeck reviewed with the board BGMA Coordinator who is having health issues and problems this creates for him being a new employee and requirements of FMLA and Long Term Disability. Board consensus was if needed they would be willing to contribute 20% of the cost for his medical insurance premium.

RURAL WATER REPORT

Director Weinandt reported on the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project meeting held on March 8 and the following recommendations were made by the Committee.

- 1. Approve the minutes of the February 8, 2018 rural water meeting.
- 2. Approve the expenses for March as presented.

- 3. Expire the hookup request from Martin O'Connor with a low pressure acknowledgment (Lot1, Deer Ridge in Sec 22, T33N, R2W, Knox County: and Janet Heine/Greg Mueller (SWSW Section 20, T33N, R1E, Cedar County.
- 4. Approve hookup request from Martin O'Connor with a low pressure acknowledgment (Lot1, Deer Ridge in Sec 22, T33N, R2W, Knox County, and Janet Heine/Greg Mueller (SWSW Section 20, T33N, R1E, Cedar County.

Other Items discussed were: Committee member representation, scholarship applications, and AEM flights for source water investigation and upcoming meeting with Senators and Congressmen to discuss funding for source changes. Weinandt reported Terry Johnson is now a Certified Grade III Operator, credit card payment are now accepted. The April CKRWP meeting will include planning meeting.

Project Manager Terry Johnson reported Gary Eckmann is planning to retire at the end of the year and Scott Fiedler had been interviewed previously and management will hire him. To allow training Fiedler will start in April and Cope Clark will be spending more time in the field and office. Johnson reported that Tank #3 is leaking and will be working to get that fixed and purchased an additional snow removal blade for the pickup.

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

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

Director Kramer had contacted the office prior to the meeting and is excused from the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm. Next meeting will be April 19 at 11 am and will include planning meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Armstrong, Curtis

GUESTS PRESENT
Tyler Specht, NRCS

Fuchtman, Jack Amy Timmerman, Extension

Heine, Carolyn Jonathan Mohr, JEO

Hoesing, Leroy Mahesh Pun, Long Spring, Inc. Howey, Gary Phil Steinkamp, BGMA Coordinator Johnson, Chris Terry Johnson, CKRWP

Steffen, Jeff Diane Wieseler, NRCS PA
Schmidt, Russ Annette Sudbeck, Manager
Weinandt, Matt Joslynn VanDerslice, Res Tech

Myles Lammers

Marilyn Schumacher, Office Mgr.

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 15, 2018 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.

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