

# LEWIS & CLARK NRD MINUTES

May 17, 2018

Chairman Fuchtman called the May 17, 2018 meeting of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:01 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. It was moved by Heine, seconded by Steffen to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2018 board meeting and the May 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: Christensen, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Armstrong, Johnson and Weinandt. Motion carried (8-0-3).

## NRCS REPORT

Tyler Specht, NRCS DC was absent. Manager Sudbeck read his report to those in attendance. Report included a note from Craig Derickson recognizing program assistants and thanking them for the work they do for the NRCS. (Report copy attached to file copy of minutes)

## ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITY

Manager Sudbeck reviewed the Game and Parks agreement for Chalkrock WMA which outlines responsibilities of the NRD and G&P in maintenance and operation of the Wildlife Management Area. The agreement will run from 2018 to 2033 which is the length of the easement with property owners. Manager Sudbeck also discussed the current payments being made to the 2 landowners (Brett Zavadil & Margaret Schmidt) for the area. Payments are being made by both the NRD and Game and Parks to these individuals and in future Game & Parks payments will be distributed through the NRD to disburse to the landowners. It was moved by Hoelsing, seconded by Howey to approve the Chalkrock Wildlife Management Area Maintenance and Operation Agreement with Nebraska Game & Parks Commission and to authorize Management to sign on board behalf. Roll call vote: AYE: Christensen, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Kramer, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: Schmidt. ABSENT: Armstrong, Johnson and Weinandt. Motion carried (7-0-1-3).

Nebraska Dept. of Transportation has reviewed and approved the plans for the termini for the Meridian Trail. Manager Sudbeck reviewed resolution to approve preliminary plans. The committee discussed the trail in general and reasoning being construction of this phase of the trail. It was moved by Hoelsing, seconded by Kramer to approve Dept. of Transportation Resolution approving preliminary plans specifications and estimates for bid letting. Roll call vote: AYE: Christensen, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Armstrong, Johnson and Weinandt. Motion carried (8-0-3).

Manager Sudbeck reviewed with the board 2018 tree planting and spring well monitoring.

Myles Lammers reported on well permits, expanded acres request and flow meter cost share received. Lammers discussed two well permits which were drilled, prior to regulations being adopted, which were filed until recently at NE Dept of Natural Resources. After discussion, it was moved by Kramer seconded by Schmidt to approve:

- Edward and Patricia Noyes Well Permit # LC213NF located in the N ½ SW ¼ Section 13-T29N-R1W, Expanded acre permit X18012 for 66 acres located in N 12/ SW ¼ Section 13-T29N-R1W
- Jacob Keiter Expanded Acres permit X18013 for 32 acres in SW Section 4-T30N-R1E
- Danny Sudbeck Well Permit LC214NF in NE Section 8, T31N, R2E.

Roll call vote: AYE: Christensen, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Armstrong, Johnson and Weinandt. Motion carried (8-0-3).

Manager Sudbeck reviewed with the board additional items in the Board Meeting Packet: Steinkamp's Bazile report, Youth from Rural Environment news article, election results, Emerald Ash Borer found in Sioux Falls, and information on the Basin Tour June 11 and 12<sup>th</sup>. The cost for the AEM surveys came in lower than anticipated so the NRD will be able to complete a more extensive survey, including 3 mile grid for all of Dixon County and increased coverage for the Cedar Knox RWP groundwater investigation.

Myles Lammers reported on tree planting, well monitoring, and chemigation. Joslynn VanDerslice reported on tree handouts for Arbor Day, Bazile survey, and reviewed new website with the board. Marilyn Schumacher reported on last meeting of the Stop Loss committee and anticipated reinsurance cost.

### **DIRECTORS ACTIVITIES**

No Wau-Col report as no meeting was held in May. The Northeast Nebraska RC&D is still discussing the potential for Prairieland RC&D (Madison County) to be part of the NE Nebraska RC&D. The 25 year RC&D celebration is being planned. The NE Nebraska RC&D has received an NET Grant for Early Detection and Management of Invasive Species. (Report copy attached to file copy of minutes)

Jeff Steffen reported on Water Sustainability Fund status

Marcel Kramer reported on upcoming events of the Nebraska Association of Resources District including the NRD Basin tour June 11 and 12

### **RURAL WATER REPORT**

Project Manager Terry Johnson reported on the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project meeting held on May 10 and the following recommendations were made by the Committee.

1. Approve the minutes of the April 12, 2018 rural water meeting.
2. Approve the expenses for May as presented.
3. Approve hookup request:
  - a. Tom Kuchta Sec 4 & 9, T33N, R1E Cedar County
  - b. Trevor Arens Section 15, T32N, R2W Knox County
 Dependent upon receipt of hookup application, hookup fee, paperwork and engineering approval.

The Committee also discussed:

- Moving Chlorine Injection Point to the Intake Structure and bids received.

- New staff hiring to assist the bookkeeper with office responsibilities and to cross train. The position will be 50/50 RWP and NRD paid. Sue Sudbeck who had interviewed previously was hired and will start May 14. Also Scott Fiedler has started and is getting up to speed very quickly.
- Working on bids for the Zebra Mussel Control at the Intake
- MSAC meeting attended by staff

It was moved by Howey, seconded by Christensen to approve the rural water report and recommendations as stated above. Roll call vote: AYE: Christensen, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen. NAY: None. ABSENT: Armstrong, Johnson and Weinandt. Motion carried (8-0-3).

**CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW**

Directors Armstrong, Johnson and Weinandt had contacted the office prior to the meeting and are excused from the meeting. Jorden Smith visited with the board on the Firewise program, Emerald Ash Borer and Fire Academy in Ponca November 1 to 4. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. Next meeting will be June 21 at 7:00 pm.

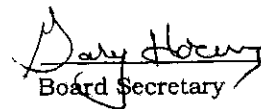
**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Christensen, Bill  
 Fuchtman, Jack  
 Heine, Carolyn  
 Hoelsing, Leroy  
 Howey, Gary  
 Kramer, Marcel  
 Schmidt, Russ  
 Steffen, Jeff  
 Weinandt, Matt

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Jorden Smith, Forester  
 Annette Sudbeck, Manager  
 Joslynn VanDerslice, Res Tech  
 Myles Lammers, Res Tech  
 Terry Johnson, CKRWP  
 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 May 17, 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.

  
 Board Secretary