

LEWIS & CLARK NRD MINUTES

September 17, 2018

Chairman Fuchtman called the September 17, 2018 meeting of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:10 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.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda additions were distributed. It was moved by Heine, seconded by Hoelsing to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2018 board meeting and the September 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: Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Kramer, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Armstrong, Christensen, Schmidt. Motion carried 8-0-3).

FY 2019 BUDGET

Manager Sudbeck reviewed the FY 19 budget and noted that the total budget published was 3,250,819 but the total budget will be \$3,417,581 and a correction notice will be published. The total requirement will be 961,290.73 and levy will be .024105 per \$100 of assessed valuation. It was moved by Howey seconded by Johnson to approve the FY19 budget as prepared and approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District held a Public Hearing regarding the final tax levy for Fiscal Year 2019 at the September 17, 2018 Board of Directors meeting and following review of Levy Summary Schedules received from Knox, Cedar and Dixon Counties, the Board of Directors determined to set a levy different from the prior year tax request.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District in the County of Cedar that the attached budget document incorporated herein by reference, showing Total Requirement of \$961,290.73 and a proposed levy requirement of .024105/\$100.00 of assessed valuation, by and is hereby adopted and set as the Fiscal Year 2019 budget of the Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District in accordance with §77-1601-02.

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

(Schmidt enters the meeting)

NRCS REPORT

Jeanne Rosen, Program Assistant, reported on activities of the PAs in the three counties (copy of report attached to file copy of minutes). Tyler Specht, NRCS DC introduced Ariel Grebert, the NRCS Soil Conservationist hired utilizing the NACD grant Lewis and Clark NRD received. Specht also reported on Grassland CRP approved contracts, wetland compliance team restructuring and various training staff has attended.

(Armstrong enters the meeting.)

RURAL WATER REPORT

Matt Weinandt and Terry Johnson reported on the Cedar Knox Rural Water Project meeting held on

September 13. The following recommendations were made by the Committee.

1. Approve the minutes of the August 9, 2018 rural water meeting.
2. Approve the expenses for September as presented.
3. Approve hookup request for Marty O'Conner (Sec 22 T33N R2W, Knox).

The Committee also discussed: increasing engineering fee to \$200, TTHM Administrative Order lifted, repair of plant retaining well, grant applications, Crofton Fire Dept. request for water in Hideaway Acres, Tank #3 inspection this fall, and possible leak in system. (Copy of report attached to file copy of minutes). It was moved by Schmidt, seconded by Steffen to approve the rural water report and each of the recommendations stated above. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen. Motion carried (10-0-1).

DIRECTORS ACTIVITY

Director Howey reported Jan Jorgensen is retiring in January 2019. A job description is being prepared to part time position for Northeast Nebraska RC&D director. October 7 will be the 25th Anniversary celebration for the NE Nebraska RC&D held at Ponca Park from 2-4 pm. Wau Col meeting was held last week and main discussion was lightning hitting the controls on the tower.

Marcel Kramer reported there are no resolutions for the Nebraska Association of Resources District conference in Kearney in September.

Jeff Steffen reported Natural Resources Commission meeting will be in October and should be getting the information on applications to start the ranking process for Water Sustainability Funds.

Carolyn Heine reported on the Corps of Discovery Welcome Center meeting she attended on September 12th. The next meeting will be on October 10, 2018 at the Lewis & Clark NRD to discuss funding opportunities for the Center.

(Terry Johnson, Jeanne Rosen, Ariel Grebert leave the meeting.)

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITY

Manager Sudbeck reported Bessey Nursery seedling prices for 2019 are increasing slightly by \$0.5 average and board discussed changes to Lewis & Clark NRD rates. It was moved by Howey, seconded by Weinandt to approve FY 2019 tree rates at \$1.00 per seedling, \$0.83 each planting with a minimum stop charge of \$250. Weed Barrier 500' roll is \$200, weed mats with 5 staples \$3.00 each and staples \$0.15 each. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen. Motion carried (10-0-1).

Manager Sudbeck reviewed the agreement with the NARD and their agreement with the USDA Forest Service and NRD to coordinate tree purchase and distribution. It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Schmidt to approve Interlocal Agreement for Obtaining Seedling Trees and Shrubs between the NRD and the Nebraska Association of Resources District and authorize management to sign the agreement on behalf of the board. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen. Motion carried (10-0-1).

The Long Range Implementation Plan was discussed with the board and it was moved by Kramer, seconded by Johnson to approve the Long Range Implementation Plan. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen. Motion carried (10-0-1).

Game and Parks have provided an updated Power Creek Management Agreement. Manager Sudbeck reviewed the contract with the board, it was moved by Hoelsing, seconded by Heine to approve the Agreement with Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and authorize management to sign the agreement on behalf of the board. Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen. Motion carried (10-0-1).

Water Resources Technician Myles Lammers reviewed a well permit received from Sea View Investments. It was moved by Howey, seconded by Steffen to approve Well Permit LC222 for Sea View Investments for an irrigation well in NENE Section 27, T32N-4W Roll call vote: AYE: Armstrong, Heine, Hoelsing, Howey, Fuchtman, Johnson, Kramer, Schmidt, Steffen, Weinandt. NAY: None. ABSENT: Christensen. Motion carried (10-0-1). Lammers also discussed two other issues which may be brought to the board in the future.

Manager Sudbeck reported on the Stakeholders and Technical Committee meeting for the Water Quality Management Plan held August 30th, Eastern Red Cedar Study letter sent to Senator Dan Hughes, Lawrence Zavadil retirement from Cedar Knox RWP Advisory Committee, NET grant submitted, trail construction to begin mid-October, MSAC Study meeting September 21st Niobrara, and meeting with Mike Boehm, UNL to discuss direction for Haskell Labs and Nitrate concerns in the Bazile GMA. Sudbeck reported state auditor has requested information which has been submitted. Manager Sudbeck also discussed a new program for communities which Lower Elkhorn NRD is initiating. Sudbeck asked the board to consider utilizing this in Lewis and Clark NRD utilizing Forester Jordan Smith and create a nursery and offer free trees to towns. Consensus was to have Smith investigate a program for Lewis & Clark NRD. Manager Sudbeck advised the board that Joslynn VanDerslice has accepted a position with Upper Elkhorn NRD and the board thanked Joslynn for the great job she has done while at Lewis & Clark NRD.

Joslynn VanDerslice reported on Missouri River Ponca Expo Mighty Microbes booth and upcoming meeting for Water Quality Management Plan and Bazile. VanDerslice also thanked the board for the opportunity to work for the Lewis & Clark NRD.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

Bessey Client's Day is October 3rd. If anyone is interested in attending, let the office know. Director Christensen had contacted the office prior to the meeting and is excused from the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next meeting will be October 18 at 7:00 pm

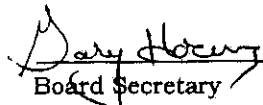
MEMBERS PRESENT

Armstrong, Curtis
Fuchtman, Jack
Heine, Carolyn
Hoelsing, Leroy
Howey, Gary
Johnson, Chris
Kramer, Marcel
Schmidt, Russ
Steffen, Jeff
Weinandt, Matt

GUESTS PRESENT

Grebert, Ariel, NRCS
Tyler Specht, NRCS
Jeanne Rosen, PA, NRCS
Terry Johnson, CKRWP
Annette Sudbeck, Manager
Myles Lammers, Res Tech
Joslynn VanDerslice, Res Tech
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 September 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