

**MINUTES OF
LOWER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

7:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 20, 2012

Lifelong Learning Center

601 East Benjamin, Norfolk, Nebraska

The Board of Directors Meeting of the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District was called to order by Chairman Rod Zessin on Tuesday, November 20, 2012 at the Lifelong Learning Center, 601 East Benjamin, Norfolk, Nebraska. Chairman Zessin informed the Board and those attending of the Publication of Meeting Notice in the Norfolk Daily News on November 25, 2012 and the Nebraska Open Meetings Act information posted by the entrance door.

Roll call was taken by Administrative Secretary Vickie DeJong with 14 of 15 Directors present. Present: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Absent: Schultz.

Motion was made by Hansen and seconded by Kluthe to adopt the agenda. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

The reading and/or action on the minutes of the October 25, 2012 Board of Directors meeting was next on the agenda. Motion was made by Loftis and seconded by Krueger that the minutes of the October 25, 2012 Board of Directors meeting be approved as printed. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

The Finance Subcommittee report was given by Treasurer Mike Krueger. Motion was made by Krueger and seconded by Kluthe to approve income in the amount of \$75,601.70 and expenses in the amount of \$184,052.52 as printed and distributed. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Krueger and seconded by Baier to approve income in the amount of \$79,130.39 and expenses in the amount of \$97,954.67 for the Logan East Rural Water System as printed and distributed. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Krueger and seconded by Anderson to approve the income in the amount of \$57,618.59 and expenses in the amount of \$73,014.98 for the Wau-Col Regional Water System as printed and distributed. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

The conservation cost share report was given by Assistant Manager Ken Berney.

The Nebraska Association of Resources Districts report was given by Ken Peitzmeier. He reported that the NARD Legislative Conference will be held in January in Lincoln

The Nebraska Natural Resources Commission report was given by Garry Anderson.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service report was given by Robin Sutherland, District Conservationist. She reported on personnel, activities, land treatment, programs and upcoming events. (A copy of the report attached to the official minutes.)

The PrairieLand RC&D report was given by Bob Huntley, the Northeast Nebraska RC&D report was given by Stan Baier and Elden Wesely gave the Loess Hills RC&D report.

The Administrative Report was given by staff employees.

The Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee report was given by Gary Loftis and RWS Manager Shawn Blahak. Motion was made by Loftis and seconded by Kluthe to accept the Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee minutes of November 12, 2012. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

The Wau-Col Regional Water System Advisory Committee report was given by Director Stan Baier. Motion was made by Baier and seconded by Anderson to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the Village of McLean. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Baier and seconded by Krueger to accept the Wau-Col Regional Water System Advisory Committee minutes of November 8, 2012. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

The Information, Planning & Programs Subcommittee report was given by Subcommittee Chairman Danny Kluthe. Motion was made by Kluthe and seconded by Baier to approve the staff recommendation on Conservation Cost Share Program for 2013, including \$100,000 reserved until August 31 for flow meters in designated conflict areas (Copy attached to the official minutes.) Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

The Projects, Equipment & Legislation Subcommittee report was given by Subcommittee Chairman Garry Anderson. Motion was made by Kluthe and seconded by Tighe to approve an additional \$3,093.52 for the Nebraska Loess Hills RC&D scrap tire collection in West Point, total Lower Elkhorn NRD contribution \$9,393.53. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Anderson and seconded by Huntley to approve the Community Forestry Program applications as per the staff recommendations:

Village of Beemer	\$ 2118.00
City of Plainview	1589.79
Village of Pender	4575.00
Osmond Community Schools	4975.00
City of Madison	5000.00
Village of Concord	2820.00
Wayne Country Club/City of Wayne	3985.00
West Point Public Schools	<u>5000.00</u>
Total	\$30,062.79

Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Anderson and seconded by Tighe to approve the Forestry Incentives for Public Facilities Applications as per the staff recommendations:

Club 91 Golf Course	\$1680.40
Oakland Golf Club	<u>1500.00</u>
Total	\$3180.40

Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Anderson and seconded by Hansen to approve the City of Clarkson request for assistance with Phase 2 of the Clarkson flood levee accreditation project up to a limit of \$67,800. Aye: Anderson, Baier, Carlson, Hansen, Huntley, Kluthe, Krueger, Loftis, Meyer, Peitzmeier, Shafer, Tighe, Wesely, Zessin. Nay: None. Absent: Schultz. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Meyer and seconded by Anderson to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Board of Directors on November 20, 2012 that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting, the minutes of the Chairman and the Board were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body, that all news media requesting notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Gary Loftis, Secretary

Other Present:

Jerold Meyer, Wayne

Tom Nathan, Meadow Grove

Edward Riley, Carroll

Greg Wees, Norfolk