

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

7:30 p.m., Thursday, October 22, 2015

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 Danny Kluthe on Thursday, October 22, 2015 at the Lifelong Learning Center, 601 East Benjamin, Norfolk, Nebraska. Chairman Kluthe informed the Board and those attending of the Publication of Meeting Notice in the Norfolk Daily News on October 17, 2015 and the Nebraska Open Meetings Act information posted.

Roll call was taken by Administrative Assistant Vickie DeJong with 14 of 15 Directors present. Present: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Absent: Loftis.

Motion was made by Krueger and seconded by Beller to excuse the absence of Gary Loftis. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Shelton and seconded by Otten to adopt the agenda. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Shelton and seconded by Tighe to approve the proposed amendments to the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District Groundwater Management Plan. Discussion followed. The directors requested additional information and will continue discussion at the next meeting.

Motion was made by Krueger and seconded by Tighe to table the motion. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

The reading and/or action on the minutes of the September 24, 2015 Board of Directors meeting were next on the agenda. Motion was made by Hansen and seconded by Otten that the minutes of the September 24, 2015 Board of Directors meeting be approved as printed. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

The Finance Subcommittee report was given by Treasurer Chris Carlson. Motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Shelton to approve income in the amount of \$389,050.71 and expenses in the amount of \$455,191.09 as printed and distributed. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Otten to approve income in the amount of \$81,666.05 and expenses in the amount of \$138,252.94 for the Logan East Rural Water System as printed

and distributed. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Otten to approve the income in the amount of \$4,591.19 and expenses in the amount of \$3,343.57 for the Wau-Col Regional Water System as printed and distributed. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

The conservation cost share report is attached to the official minutes.

The Nebraska Association of Resources Districts report was given by Bob Huntley. He reported on the NARD Annual Conference held on September 28-29 in Kearney.

No Nebraska Natural Resources Commission report was given.

A Natural Resources Conservation Service report was given by Cory Schmidt. (A copy of the report attached to the official minutes.)

Bob Huntley gave the Northeast Nebraska RC&D report. A written report from Loess Hills RC&D was included with the official minutes.

The Bazile Groundwater Management Area Project report was given by Stephanie Butler. (A copy of the report attached to the official minutes.)

The Administrative Report was given by the staff. General Manager Mike Sousek gave a manager's report. (A copy of the report attached to the official minutes.)

No Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee report was given as no meeting was held this month.

The Wau-Col Regional Water System Advisory Committee report was given by Joel Hansen. Motion was made by Hansen and seconded by Shelton to approve the raise in the base rate by 5% and raise water usage .25 cents per 1,000 gallons for the Wau-Col Regional Water System. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Hansen and seconded by Krueger to accept the Wau-Col Regional Water System Advisory Committee minutes of October 1, 2015. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

The Committee of the Whole report was given by Vice-Chairman Dennis Schultz. Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Shelton to reschedule the November 24, 2015 Irrigated Acre Certification Hearing to December 10, 2015 and set future hearing dates for March 10, 2016, June 9, 2016, September 8, 2016 and December 15, 2016. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Shelton to approve the Interlocal Cooperative Agreements with the City of Clarkson (levee accreditation); City of West Point (levee accreditation) and

City of Randolph (flood control project) and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreements. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Korth, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: None. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Huntley to accept the bid in the amount of \$45,000 from Norfolk GM Auto for a 2016 Tahoe. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: Korth. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Shelton to accept the bid in the amount of \$26,700 from Norfolk GM Auto for a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado crew cab. Aye: Beller, Carlson, Gustafson, Hansen, Huntley, Janke, Krueger, Otten, Schultz, Shelton, Winkelbauer, Tighe, Kluthe. Nay: Korth. Absent: Loftis. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 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 October 22, 2015 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.

Joel Hansen, Acting Secretary

Others Present:

Louis Allison, Norfolk
Kyle Schmit, McLean
Justin Koehler, McLean
Tyson Chohon, Pierce
Jared Kruntorad, Ewing
Craig Ebberson, Belden
Susan Risinger, Norfolk
Mike Kuhler, Norfolk
Al Collison, Pierce
Doug Hall, Neligh
Clay Fischer, Pierce
Jerry Allemann, Wayne

Dennis Smith, Pierce
Neal Acklie, Norfolk
Dan Morfeld, Norfolk
Arland Mozer
Larry Wright, Meadow Grove
Mike Kallhoft, Meadow Grove
Kehn Wiehn, Battle Creek
Steve Abler, Norfolk
Jeremy Grant, Meadow Grove
Richard Grant, Battle Creek
Bruce Grant, Meadow Grove