

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

7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, 2021

Lower Elkhorn NRD, 1508 Square Turn Blvd., Norfolk, Nebraska

The Board of Directors Meeting of the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District was called to order by Chairman Mark Hall on Thursday, July 22, 2021, at the Lower Elkhorn NRD, 1508 Square Turn Blvd, Norfolk, Nebraska. Chairman Hall informed the Board and those attending of the Publication of Meeting Notice in the Norfolk Daily News on July 15, 2021.

Roll call was taken by Administrative Assistant Patty Martens with 14 of 15 Directors present. Present: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Absent: Noonan.

Motion was made by Clausen and seconded by Hansen to excuse the absence of Bob Noonan. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Loftis and seconded by McHenry to adopt the agenda. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

The reading and/or action on the minutes of the June 24, 2021 Board of Directors meeting was next on the agenda. Motion was made by Clausen and seconded by Zohner that the minutes of the June 24, 2021 Board of Directors meetings be approved. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

The Finance Subcommittee report was given by Dennis Schultz. Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Hansen to approve income in the amount of \$176,518.53 and expenses in the amount of \$449,659.95 for the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Hansen to approve income in the amount of \$91,056.66 and expenses in the amount of \$52,816.03 for the Logan East Rural Water System as printed and distributed. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Wisnieski to approve income in the amount of \$9,124.27 and expenses in the amount of \$6,168.94 for the Wau-Col Regional Water System. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

The conservation cost share report was given by Project Manager Curt Becker. A copy of the report is attached to the official minutes.

The Nebraska Association of Resources Districts report was not given.

The Nebraska Natural Resources Commission report was not given.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service report was not given. A copy of the report is attached to the official minutes.

The RC&D reports were not given. A copy of the report is attached to the official minutes.

The Bazile Groundwater Management Area written report is attached to the official minutes.

The Logan East Rural Water System Report was given by Roger Gustafson and RWS Manager Shawn Blahak.

Motion was made by Gustafson and seconded by Loftis to approve the Logan East Rural Water System purchase and installation of 4 doors at the 3 well houses from Al Ruzicka Construction for a total Cost of \$7,298.72. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Gustafson and seconded by Loftis to approve the Logan East Rural Water System purchase of a used Cummins 150K generator from Nebraska Generator Service LLC, not to exceed \$51,000. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Gustafson and seconded by Loftis to accept the Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee minutes of July 12, 2021. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Hansen, Janke, Korth, Loftis, McHenry, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: None. Absent: Noonan. Motion Carried.

The Information, Planning, Programs, Projects, Equipment & Legislation Committee of the Whole report was given by Roger Gustafson.

Motion was made by Gustafson and seconded by McHenry to approve the Resolution for Water Quality which is intended to provide staff and the general public an understanding on the position of this current board and how that position relates to ground water quality. (Copy attached to the official minutes.)

Discussion followed. Motion was made by Clausen and seconded by Gustafson to table the motion until the next board meeting to be held on August 26, 2021. Aye: Allemann, Clausen, Gustafson, Korth, Reikofski, Schultz, Steffen, Wisnieski, Zohner, Hall. Nay: Hansen, Janke, Loftis, McHenry. Absent: Noonan. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 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 July 22, 2021 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.

Jerry Allemann, Secretary

Others Present:
None