# MEETING MINUTES MIDDLE NIOBRARA NRD BOARD OF DIRECTORS April 10th, 2023

The Middle Niobrara NRD Board of Directors meeting was advertised in the Valentine Midland News, Ainsworth Star Journal, Rock County Ledger, Springview Herald, & Sheridan County Journal Star.

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Graff at 3:07 pm. Graff noted that the Open Meetings Act Laws were posted. The following persons were present:

Directors:

Present: Justin Hammond, Leonard Danielski, Mark Monroe

Tim Nollette, Greg Wilke, Stephanie DeNaeyer, Marty Graff

Staff:

Mike Murphy, Kyle Temple, James Battershaw, Rick Joseph, Chandler Schmidt

NRCS:

Christine Lousias

**UNL Ext:** 

Longitude 103: Thad Kuntz Houston Eng: Jessie Dillion

Guests: Absent:

## **Public Comment**

No comment.

# **Approve last Month's Minutes**

Motion by Monroe second by Danielski to approve the March 13th, 2023 Board of Director's meeting minutes. Roll Call: Aye — Hammond, Danielski, Graff, Nollette, Wilke, DeNaeyer & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Abstain — None. Abstain — None.

# Treasurer's Report

Hammond reported the balances for general ledger, NPAIT general and sinking funds, CD's, manager's account, and checks to be approved.

Murphy went over checks to be approved.

Motion by Hammond second by Monroe to approve the April 10th, 2023, Treasurer's Report. Roll Call: Aye — Hammond, Danielski, Graff, Nollette, Wilke, DeNaeyer & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

## **Directors' Forum:**

Nothing new to report.

## **Agency Reports:**

#### Extension Office

No Report Given this month.

#### Niobrara Council

No meeting in March.

#### NRCS

Lousias gave an update on her report that was included in the director's packet.

#### NARD

Graff gave an update on the Annual Basin Tour at the Central Platte NRD on June 12-13. Mike gave an update on the Washington D.C. Conference attended by Murphy, Nollette, and Temple.

### NRC

Wilke gave an update.

## **Executive Committee Meeting**

Discussions held on MNNRD Scholarship Application(s). Discussions held on well permits and Irrigated Acre Transfers.

Motion by Hammond second by Graff to approve award the MNNRD \$500.00 Scholarship to Dylan Naslund. Roll Call: Aye — Nollette, Wilke, Graff, Hammond, Danielski, DeNaeyer & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Abstain — None. Abstain — None.

Motion by Hammond second by Graff to approve the transfer of 25 irrigated acres from Danielski Farms to Valentine Feeders. Roll Call: Aye — Nollette, Graff, Hammond, DeNaeyer & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — Wilke & Danielski - Absent — None. Motion carried.

Water Committee Meeting

Discussions held on Transfer of Irrigated Acres and High Capacity Well Permit applications.

Motion by Graff second by Wilke to approve the transfer of 43.5 irrigated acres from 4 landowners to Lois Koinzan. Roll Call: Aye — Nollette, Graff, Hammond, Wilke, Daniellski, DeNaeyer & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. - Absent — None. Motion carried.

Motion by Graff second by Hammond to approve the transfer of 16 irrigated acres from Steve Koinzan to Flying K. Roll Call: Aye — Nollette, Graff, Hammond, Wilke, Danielski, DeNaeyer & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. - Absent — None. Motion carried.

Longitude 103

Thad Kuntz gave a presentation on the NRD App.

**Administrative Assistant Report** 

Joseph reviewed his report that was included in the director's packet.

**Technician Reports** 

Battershaw and Temple's reports were reviewed that were included in the director's packet.

**Watershed Coordinator Report** 

Schmidt reviewed his report that was included in the director's packet.

Manager's Report

Murphy provided an overview of his report. VIMP meeting April 10th at 6pm at the MNNRD Board Room.

**Excused Absence** 

No Absences

**Announcements** 

No announcements

Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:54 Approved by roll call vote.

Date

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Secretary/Treasurer

# ACRONYM KEY

ACEP	Agricultural Conservation Easement Program
CC	Cherry County
CSP	Conservation Stewardship Program
EQIP	Environmental Quality Incentives Program
EWP	Emergency Watershed Protection Program
LPCW	Long Pine Creek Watershed
LWG	Local Work Group
MNNRD	Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District
NACD	National Association of Conservation Districts
NARD	Nebraska Association of Resources Districts
NDEE	Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy
NDNR	Nebraska Department of Natural Resources
NET	Nebraska Environmental Trust
NFS	Nebraska Forest Service
NGPC	Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
NRC	Natural Resource Commission
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NSWCP	Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation Program
NWRA	National Water Resources Association
NSIA	Nebraska State Irrigation Association
PF	Pheasants Forever
PIFR	Preliminary Investigation Feasibility Report
PIP	Project Implementation Plan
Plan-EA	Plan — Environmental Assessment
SINREC	Sandhills Interactive Natural Resource Educational Complex
STF	Sandhills Task Force
UNL Ext	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USFS	U.S. Forest Service
USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
WFP0	Watershed & Flood Preventions Operations Program
WQMP	Water Quality Management Plan
WRP	Wetlands Reserve Program
WSF	Water Sustainability Fund