# MEETING MINUTES MIDDLE NIOBRARA NRD BOARD OF DIRECTORS January 13th, 2025

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

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Wilke at 3:06 pm. Wilke noted that the Open Meetings Act Laws were posted. The following persons were present:

Directors:

Present: Justin Hammond, Leonard Danielski, Greg Wilke, Tim Nollette, Marty Graff, Mark

Monroe, Stephanie Ladely.

Staff:

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

NDNR:

Kent Zimmerman

NRCS:

Julianna Hinton

UNL Ext:

Guests:

Gordon Suhr

Absent:

#### **Public Comment**

Murphy introduced Julianna Hinton, the acting NRCS District Conservationist. Re-elected Board of Director's Danielski, Nollette & Wilke recited the Oath of Office.

## **Approve last Month's Minutes**

Motion by Graff second by Monroe to Approve the December 9th 2024, Board of Director's Meeting Minutes. Roll Call: Aye — Danielski, Hammond, Wilke, Monroe, Graff, Ladely & Nollette Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

## 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 Graff to Approve the January 13th 2025, Treasurer's Report. Roll Call: Aye — Danielski, Hammond, Wilke, Graff, Monroe, Ladely & Nollette. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

#### **Director's Forum**

Graff mentioned he was contacted with a well and dump station question.

## **Agency Reports:**

#### Extension Office

No report given.

#### Niobrara Council

Murphy gave an update. The next scheduled meeting is January 16th, 2024 at the Middle Niobrara NRD office.

### NRCS

Julianna Hinton gave an update. Local work group meeting will be held in Valentine at the Middle Niobrara NRD Office on February 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### NARD

Graff gave an update.

#### NRC

Wilke gave an update.

## Building Committee Meetings January 7th & January 13th

Discussion(s) held on Conoco Car Wash and Building updates. Discussion held on the sale of property along Conoco Car Wash with no action taken at this time. Sale of property was requested on February agenda by Wilke.

## **Administrative Assistant Report**

Joseph's report was included in the director's packet.

## Coordinator's Report(s)

Coordinator's reports from Battershaw, Purdy, Reagle, Temple & Schmidt were included in the director's packet.

## Manager's Report

Murphy's report was included in the director's packet. Mike introduced Kent Zimmerman from the NDNR.

#### **Excused Absence**

No Excused Absences.

## Election of Board Offices and Representatives

Motion by Graff second by Monroe to keep Secretary/Treasurer Justin Hammond, NARD Representative Marty Graff, Niobrara Council Representative Mike Murphy & NRBA Representative Marty Graff. Alternate NRBA Representative Justin Hammond. Roll Call: Aye — Danielski, Hammond, Wilke, Graff, Monroe, Ladely & Nollette. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

Motion by Graff second by Hammond to elect Stephanie Ladley as Board Chairman, Leonard Danielski as Vice Chairman. Roll Call: Aye — Danielski, Hammond, Wilke, Graff, Monroe, Ladely & Nollette. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

Motion by Graff second by Hammond to leave Water Committee as Marty Graff, Leonard Danielski & Greg Wilke. Roll Call: Aye — Danielski, Hammond, Wilke, Graff, Monroe, Ladely & Nollette. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Abstain — None. Abstain — None.

Motion by Graff second by Hammond to leave Natural Resources Committee as Tim Nollette, Stephanie Ladely & Mark Monroe. Roll Call: Aye — Danielski, Hammond, Wilke, Graff, Monroe, Ladely & Nollette. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

Motion by Graff second by Danielski to leave Building Committee as Tim Nollette, Stephanie Ladely & Mark Monroe. Roll Call: Aye — Danielski, Hammond, Wilke, Graff, Monroe, Ladely & Nollette. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

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No announcements.

# <u>Adjourn</u>

Motion by Monroe second by Wilke to Adjourn at 4:17. Roll Call: Aye —Hammond, Danielski, Wilke, Ladely, Graff, Monroe & Nollette. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — None. Motion carried.

Hustin Hammond

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				
НМР	Hazard Mitigation Plan				
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				
NRIA	Nitrogen Reduction Incentive Act				
NRBA	Niobrara River Basin Alliance				
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				