

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MIDDLE NIOBRARA NRD BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**July 14th, 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 Ladely at 3:04 pm. Ladely noted that the Open Meetings Act Laws were posted. The following persons were present:

Directors:	Present: Justin Hammond, Marty Graff, Leonard Danielski, Mark, Monroe, Greg Wilke & Stephanie Ladely
Staff:	Mike Murphy, Kyle Temple, Rick Joseph, Chandler Schmidt & James Battershaw
NRCS:	Callie Kreutner
UNL Ext:	
Guests:	Robert Shelbourn, Jenny Suhr
Absent:	Tim Nollette

**Public Comment**

No Public Comment.

**Approve last Month's Minutes**

*Motion by Danielski second by Hammond to Approve the June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, Board of Director's Meeting Minutes. Roll Call: Aye — Hammond, Ladely & Danielski. Nay - None. Abstain — Graff, Monroe & Wilke. Absent — Nollette. 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 Monroe to Approve the July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Treasurer's Report. Roll Call: Aye — Hammond, Ladely, Danielski, Graff, & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — Wilke. Absent — Nollette. Motion carried.*

### Director's Forum

Nothing new to report.

### Agency Reports:

#### *Extension Office*

Murphy gave an update.

#### *Niobrara Council*

Murphy gave an update.

#### *NRCS*

Callie Kreutner gave an update along with her report.

#### *NARD*

Graff provided an update.

#### *NRC*

Wilke provided and update.

### Water Committee

Discussions held on water quality cost share programs. No action taken at this time

### Natural Resources Committee

Discussions held on NSWCP cost share programs. No action taken at this time.

### Executive Committee

Discussions held on Building Project, FY25/26 Budget and LRI58. No action taken on building project or budget.

*Motion by Graff second by Hammond to Support LRI58 and send both letters of support. Roll Call: Aye — Hammond, Ladely, Danielski, Graff, Wilke & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — Nollette. Motion carried.*

### Administrative Assistant Report

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

### Coordinator's Report(s)

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

### Manager's Report

Murphy's report was included in the director's packet. Murphy thanked everyone for their participation on the Basin Tour and Producer Panels.

### Excused Absence

*Motion by Graff second by Ladely to approve the excused absence for Monroe from the June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 Board Meeting. Roll Call: Aye —Hammond, Ladely, Danielski, Graff & Wilke Nay - None. Abstain — Monroe. Absent — Nollette. Motion carried.*

*Motion by Graff second by Ladely to approve the excused absence for Nollette. Roll Call: Aye —Hammond, Ladely, Danielski, Graff, Wilke & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — Nollette. Motion carried.*

### Old Business

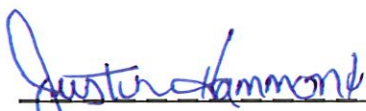
*Motion by Wilke second by Danielski to un-table Conservation Budget Motion. Roll Call: Aye —Hammond, Ladely, Danielski, Graff, Wilke & Monroe. Nay - None. Abstain — None. Absent — Nollette. Motion carried.*

### Announcements

Danielski thanked the staff for their work on the Basin Tour.

### Adjourn

*Motion by Graff second by Ladely to adjourn at 3:43pm. Motion approved by Yay / Nay vote.*



Justin Hammond

Secretary/Treasurer



Date

## ACRONYM KEY

ACEP	Agricultural Conservation Easement Program
CC	Cherry County
CSP	Conservation Stewardship Program
EQIP	Environmental Quality Incentives Program
EWP	Emergency Watershed Protection Program
HMP	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
NDWEE	Nebraska Department of Water, Energy and Environment
NDNR	Nebraska Department of Natural Resources
NET	Nebraska Environmental Trust
NFS	Nebraska Forest Service
NGPC	Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
NIRIA	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
WFPO	Watershed & Flood Preventions Operations Program
WQMP	Water Quality Management Plan
WRP	Wetlands Reserve Program
WSF	Water Sustainability Fund