MEETING MINUTES
MIDDLE NIOBRARA NRD BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 9th, 2026

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 Danielski at 3:00 p.m. Danielski noted that the Open Meetings Act Laws were posted. The following persons were present:

Directors:	Present: Leonard Danielski, Marty Graff, Justin Hammond, Mark Monroe & Tim Nollette
Staff:	Mike Murphy, Rick Joseph, Kyle Temple, Travis Reagle & Chandler Schmidt
NRCS:	Casey Lancaster
UNL Ext:	
Guests:	Robert & Marla Shelbourn, Casey Foster & Jenny Suhr
Absent:	Stephanie Ladely & Greg Wilke

Public Comment

No Public Comment

Approve last Month's Minutes

Motion by Danielski second by Graff to Approve the September 14th, 2026, Board of Director's Meeting Minutes. Roll Call: Aye – Danielski, Graff, Hammond & Nollette Nay - None. Abstain – Monroe. Absent – Ladely & Wilke. 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 October 9th, 2026, Treasurer's Report. Roll Call: Aye – Graff, Hammond, Monroe, Nollette & Danielski. Nay - None. Abstain – None. Absent – Ladely & Wilke. Motion carried.

Director's Forum

Director's have received questions on AI & Data Centers.

Agency Reports:

Extension Office
Murphy gave an update.

Niobrara Council
Murphy gave an update. Next meeting Thursday October 15th.

NRCS
Lancaster gave an update, and a handout.

NARD
Graff and Murphy gave an update.

NRC
Nothing new to report.

Water Committee
Discussion(s) held on a livestock well permit.

Motion by Graff second by Monroe to extend livestock permit #25-6 for TK Angus until May 21st, 2027. Roll Call: Aye – Hammond, Monroe, Danielski & Graff. Nay - None. Abstain – None. Absent – Nollett, Ladely & Wilke. 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 stated that the November Board of Director's Meeting needs moved as it falls on the NARD Board Meeting.

Motion by Graff second by Monroe to move the November Board of Director's Board Meeting to Tuesday November 10th at 3pm. Roll Call: Aye – Monroe, Nollette, Danielski, Graff & Hammond. Nay - None. Abstain – None. Absent – Ladely & Wilke. Motion carried.

Excused Absence

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

Announcements

No announcements.

Adjourn

Motion by Danielski second by Graff to adjourn at 3:25 p.m. Motion approved by Yea / Nay vote.

Justin Hammond 11/10/20

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