# LITTLE BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT Minutes May 12, 2020

# **OPENING OF MEETING – MARLIN KIMLE**

The directors of the Little Blue Natural Resources District met in regular session on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at the Little Blue Natural Resources District Office, Davenport, Nebraska and via video conference. Chairman Kimle called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Kimle noted that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted and available for anyone who may want to review the document

Roll call was held.

# **DIRECTORS PRESENT**

**Board members present:** 

Warren Brakhahn, William Glenn, Lyle Heinrichs, Mason Hoffman, Marlin Kimle, Kevin Kissinger, Jay Meyer, Charles Rainforth, Lyle Schroer, Warren Taylor, Robert Trausch, Jesse VonSpreckelsen and Alan Wiedel. Everett Kellogg joined the video conference late and Robert Trausch was unable to join.

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Kyle Hauschild, Tyler Goeschel, Marie Herbek, Kevin Orvis, Heidi McClintock.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICIAL DISTRICT PUBLICATIONS FOR NOTICES

Legal notice of the regular meeting was provided to the *FAIRBURY JOURNAL NEWS* and the *HASTINGS TRIBUNE*. The agenda was mailed to all board members, radio, television and newspapers in the district and posted at the NRCS offices in the district and the Little Blue NRD office.

## ADOPTION OF BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MOTION # 1 – Heinrichs moved, seconded by Meyer to approve the agenda for the May 12, 2020 meeting as presented. Carried by roll call vote – 14 yes votes.

# CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

#### **Acceptance of Board Member Absences**

No action was taken as all members were accounted for.

#### Minutes of April 14, 2020 Board Meeting

There were no changes to the minutes. MOTION #2 – Heinrichs moved, seconded by Meyer to approve the minutes of April 14, 2020 as circulated. Carried by roll call vote – 14 yes votes.

## ACTION ON TREASURER'S REPORT – Jay Meyer

Copies of the Treasurer's Report were circulated.

Meyer reviewed the Little Blue NRD Treasurer's Report. MOTION #3 – Meyer moved, seconded by Rainforth to approve the Little Blue NRD treasurer's report and payment of bills as presented. Carried by roll call vote – 14 yes votes.

Meyer reviewed the Little Blue Public Water Project North Treasurer's Report.

MOTION # 4 - Meyer moved, seconded by Kissinger to approve the Little Blue Public Water

Project North treasurer's report and payment of bills as presented. Carried by roll call vote – 14 yes votes.

Meyer reviewed the Little Blue Public Water Project South Treasurer's Report. MOTION # 5- Meyer moved, seconded by Schroer to approve the Little Blue Water Project South treasurer's report and payment of bills as presented. Carried by roll call vote – 14 yes votes.

# PROJECTS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE – Jesse VonSpreckelsen

**Motion to Approve Hubbell Drainage Project** 

**Motion to Approve Shickley Drainage Project** 

Motion to Approve Edgar Drainage Project

Motion to Approve Reynolds Drainage Project

**Motion to Approve Carleton Drainage Project** 

Motion to Approve Alexandria Drainage Project

MOTION # 6 – Brakhahn moved, seconded by Kissinger to refer all the above items back to committee for further discussion. Carried by roll call vote. Yes: Brakhahn, Heinrichs, Hergott, Hoffman, Kellogg, Kissinger, Meyer, Rainforth, Shaw and Taylor. No: Glenn, Schroer, VonSpreckelsen, Wiedel and Kimle.

## Motion to Approve Phil Neuerburg Dam

One dam was presented for approval. MOTION # 7 – Meyer moved, seconded by Hergott to approve the Phil Neuerburg Dam in Jefferson County for a maximum cost share amount of \$33,525.56.

Carried by roll call vote. Yes: Glenn, Heinrichs, Hergott, Hoffman, Kellogg, Kissinger, Meyer, Rainforth, Schroer, Shaw, Taylor, VonSpreckelsen, Wiedel and Kimle. No: Brakhahn.

#### **Motion to Approve Buffer Strip Applications**

Three Buffer Strip applications were presented for approval. MOTION # 9 – Heinrichs moved, seconded by Kissinger to approve Buffer Strip applications for David Burr in 3-5-11W in Adams County, Richard Faimon in 12-4-9W in Webster County and David Endorf in 21-4-1E in Jefferson County. Carried by roll call vote – 15 yes votes.

# **Other Business**

There was no other business.

## WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE - Warren Brakhahn

#### Motion to consider Village of Ong Cost Share Application

The Village of Ong submitted an application through the Municipal Water Assistance Program.

MOTION #8 – Kissinger moved, seconded by Shaw to refer the Village of Ong's cost share application back to committee. Carried by roll call vote – 15 yes votes.

## **Spring Water Level Update – Kevin Orvis**

Orvis reviewed the spring static water levels for the district.

#### Soil Sampling and Operator Training Enforcement Update – Tyler Goeschel

Goeschel provided an update on soil sampling and Operator Training.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comments were received.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Kimle noted Zach Hollister move out of his sub-district and has resigned his position on the board.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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Kimle adjourned the meeting at 8:10 P.M.

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Little Blue Natural Resources District, hereby certify that these are true and correct minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the District held on May 12, 2020, that all of the subjects discussed at the meeting were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the principal office of the District during normal business hours, and except for items of an emergency nature, the agenda was not altered later than twenty-four (24) hours before the scheduled commencement of the meeting; that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted and available to the public; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; and, that all news media requesting notification of the meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.