

November 10, 2016
Nemaha Natural Resources District
Regular Meeting
Tecumseh, Nebraska

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Chair Steve Sugden called the four hundred ninety-eighth meeting of the Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:07 p.m. Thursday, November 10, 2016, at the NRD Headquarters in Tecumseh, Nebraska.

DIRECTORS	Rob Bohling	Michael McDonald	Dan Stukenholtz
PRESENT:	Charles Duryea	Russel Moss	Duane Sugden
	Jim Gerweck	William Niedfeldt	Steve Sugden
	Orval Gigstad	Alan Romine	Kevin Thorne
	Jenny Kearney	Don Siske	
	Jon Keithley	Mike Speece	

DIRECTORS	Lisa Beethe	Dan Hodges	Tim Loseke
ABSENT:	Dave Guhde	Doug Iske	

STAFF	Bob Hilske, Manager
PRESENT:	Scott Nelson, Assistant Manager
	Jane Kuhl, Administrative Assistant
	Chuck Wingert, Water Resources Manager

GUESTS	Patsy Wing, Shubert
PRESENT:	Richard Wing, Shubert
	Roger Reichmuth, NRCS, Tecumseh

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence, Sugden announced that the Open Meetings Act was posted at the back of the room.

2. **PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

Proof of Publication was presented and is on file.

3. **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

Siske moved, seconded by Gigstad, to approve the excused absences requested by Lisa Beethe, Dave Guhde, Dan Hodges, Doug Iske, and Tim Loseke. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. **OPEN FORUMS**

All NRD directors, staff, and guests introduced themselves.

5. **MINUTES**

Siske, seconded by D. Sugden, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried on consent agenda.

6. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

Siske moved, seconded by Gigstad, to approve the Treasurer’s Report as submitted. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. **STAFF REPORTS**

Hilske reviewed his report. Nelson reviewed his report. (Both are filed with the minutes.)

8. **AGENCY/ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

A. Natural Resources Conservation Service

Reichmuth reported they are busy in the field and with wetland determinations. (His written report is filed with these minutes.)

B. Five Rivers RC&D

D. Sugden reported that they did not have a meeting last month.

C. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

Gigstad reported that they will have an NARD board meeting next week.

D. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

S. Sugden reported the Scoring Committee will meet November 30-December 2 in Gothenburg.

9. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. Programs & Projects Committee

1. *Update on District Activities with Shubert Well Issue:* Wingert updated the board on the report they have been putting together on water levels and other ideas for how to remediate the problems with Shubert’s well. We are waiting for a reply from USDA Rural Development about potential loan forgiveness for Shubert’s loan for Well #3. There was lots of discussion about the options of hooking on to the Richardson County RWD #2 water line going to Indian Cave State Park.

2. *Review/Action on Well Permit Applications:*

Permit#	Landowner Name	Well Location	GPM	Purpose	Score
N681	Anthony Johansen	NE¼ SE¼ 22-1-17, Richardson County	500	Irrigation	220

Gerweck moved, seconded by Bohling, to approve well permit N681 for Anthony Johansen. This well is outside the area that requires the minimum 300 points. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried.**

AYE: Bohling, Duryea, Gerweck, Gigstad, Kearney, Keithley, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Speece, Stukenholtz, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Thorne

NAY: Siske

NOT PRESENT: Beethe, Guhde, Hodges, Iske, Loseke

3. Dam Repair Bids for Wilson Creek Structures in Otoe County:

	B.A.B., Inc.	Gyhra Construction	Rush Creek Construction	Kuhl Trenching
Wilson Creek 5-15	\$39,481.50	\$39,140.00	\$41,820.00	\$62,556.68
Wilson Creek 6-8	\$32,481.50	\$40,020.00	\$52,548.00	\$77,031.68
Wilson Creek 12-18	\$33,820.50	\$35,510.00	\$39,079.00	\$70,329.23
Total Bid	\$105,883.50	\$114,670.00	\$133,447.00	\$209,917.59

Nelson reviewed the projects which are all riser and outlet tube replacements.

Gerweck moved, seconded by D. Sugden, to approve the low, total bid of \$105,883.50 from B.A.B., Inc., for riser/outlet replacements on three Wilson Creek watershed structures. There was some discussion about the value of using higher-priced, polymer coated steel tubes. After further discussion, **motion carried.**

AYE: Bohling, Duryea, Gerweck, Gigstad, Kearney, Keithley, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Siske, Speece, Stukenholtz, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Beethe, Guhde, Hodges, Iske, Loseke

4. Amendment to Contract with HDR for Consulting Service on Kirkman’s Cove Sediment Basin Project: Nelson provided some history on this project and the erosion issues in the lake. He explained what the amendment will include.

Gerweck moved, seconded by Siske, to approve the amendment with HDR for Consulting Service on the Kirkman’s Cove Sediment Basin Project. There was considerable discussion on the extra funds requested and what has been spent so far. Hilske added that we’re adjusting the contract to do the environmental work now instead of paying to do it later. Nelson also explained that this project is contributing to matching funds to offset funding provided by NDEQ toward a basin-wide plan that makes us eligible for 319 funds. After further discussion, **motion carried.**

AYE: Bohling, Duryea, Gerweck, Gigstad, Kearney, Keithley, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Siske, Speece, Stukenholtz, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Thorne
NAY: McDonald
NOT PRESENT: Beethe, Guhde, Hodges, Iske, Loseke

B. Operations & Education Committee-No meeting

C. Executive Committee**1. Credit Card Processing Agreement with Sage Accounting:**

Gigstad moved, seconded by Siske, to approve the agreement with Sage Accounting to provide credit and debit card processing services. Details about the services provided and fees charged are attached to the file copy of these minutes.
Motion carried.

AYE: Bohling, Duryea, Gerweck, Gigstad, Kearney, Keithley, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Siske, Speece, Stukenholtz, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Beethe, Guhde, Hodges, Iske, Loseke

2. Increasing Grass Seeding Rates:

Gigstad moved, seconded by Siske, to raise the rate for the no-till drill custom seeding service to \$26/acre with a \$150 minimum charge. The last time the rate was adjusted was about ten years ago. **Motion carried.**

AYE: Bohling, Duryea, Gerweck, Gigstad, Kearney, Keithley, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Siske, Speece, Stukenholtz, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Beethe, Guhde, Hodges, Iske, Loseke

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS, DECEMBER MEETING DATE/TIME & AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

Hilske pointed out the results from the recent general election were provided, even though there were no contested races and all were incumbents. Directors were reminded that the Legislative Conference would be on January 24-25 in Lincoln. The next board meeting will be on Thursday, December 8, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

Siske moved, seconded by D. Sugden, to approve the consent agenda. Consent agenda items: Excused Absences, Minutes, Treasurer's Report. **Motion carried.**

AYE: Bohling, Duryea, Gerweck, Gigstad, Kearney, Keithley, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Siske, Speece, Stukenholtz, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Beethe, Guhde, Hodges, Iske, Loseke

12. ADJOURNMENT

Gerweck moved, seconded by Siske, to adjourn. Motion carried.

AYE: Bohling, Duryea, Gerweck, Gigstad, Kearney, Keithley, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Siske, Speece, Stukenholtz, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Beethe, Guhde, Hodges, Iske, Loseke

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Approved December 8, 2016

Secretary, Nemaha Natural Resources District