

January 14, 2010
Nemaha Natural Resources District
Regular Meeting
Tecumseh, Nebraska

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

Chair Scott Kudrna called the four hundred seventeenth meeting of the Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, January 14, 2010, at the NRD Headquarters in Tecumseh, Nebraska.

DIRECTORS	John Albrecht	Ron Heskett	William Umland
PRESENT:	Lisa Beethe	Jim Rush	Tom White
	Rob Bohling	Scott Kudrna	Paul Weber
	Charles Duryea	Don Siske	Jim Wirth
	Orval Gigstad	Duane Sugden	
	Ted Godemann	Steve Sugden	

DIRECTORS	Wayne Goering	Mike Speece	Dan Watermeier
ABSENT:	Lynn Heng	Bruce Walker	

STAFF	Bob Hilske, Manager
PRESENT:	Scott Nelson, Assistant Manager
	Jane Kuhl, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS	Bob Sullivan, NRCS, Tecumseh
PRESENT:	

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was observed. Chair Kudrna 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. **ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS**

Gigstad provided the nominating committee report beginning with the office of Chair. The nomination of Kudrna was placed on the floor. Siske moved, seconded by D. Sugden, that nominations cease. Upon secret ballot vote, Kudrna was elected Chair with 14 votes.

The nomination of Beethe for Vice-Chair was placed on the floor. Heskett moved, seconded by Siske, that nominations cease. Upon secret ballot vote, Beethe was elected Vice-Chair with 14 votes.

The nomination of Bohling for Secretary-Treasurer was placed on the floor. D. Sugden moved, seconded by Siske, that nominations cease. Upon secret ballot vote, Bohling was elected Secretary-Treasurer with 14 votes.

The nomination of Gigstad for NARD representative was placed on the floor. Wirth moved, seconded by D. Sugden, that nominations cease. Upon secret ballot vote, Gigstad was elected NARD representative with 15 votes.

The nomination of Siske for NARD alternate was placed on the floor. Godemann moved, seconded by Weber, that nominations cease. Upon secret ballot vote, Siske was elected NARD alternate with 14 votes.

4. **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

White moved, seconded by Siske, to approve the excused absences requested by Wayne Goering, Lynn Heng, Mike Speece, Bruce Walker, and Dan Watermeier. Motion carried on consent agenda.

5. **OPEN FORUMS**

All directors, NRD staff, and guest introduced themselves.

6. **MINUTES**

White moved, seconded by Gigstad, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried on consent agenda.

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

8. **STAFF REPORT**

Hilske and Nelson reviewed their reports.

9. **AGENCY/ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

A. Natural Resources Conservation Service

Bob Sullivan reviewed staff changes in their offices and reported on the CSP program. They are in the midst of an internal audit right now. Their written report was also distributed to all members.

B. Five Rivers RC&D

Kudrna reported that the DEQ application for school chemical clean-up was not approved but that they may apply again in February.

C. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

Gigstad reminded directors that the annual Legislative Conference would be held later in the month in Lincoln.

D. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

Hilske stated the Commission would be meeting later in January and that our request for LB71 funding would be on their agenda.

E. Nebraska Water Resources Association

Duane Sugden stated their meeting is scheduled January 21 in Lincoln and they are hosting the senators later on.

10. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Programs & Projects Committee

1. Agreement with NRCS to Develop A Rehabilitation Plan for Upper Big Nemaha 25-C:

S. Sugden moved, seconded by Godemann, to enter into an agreement with NRCS to develop a rehabilitation plan for Upper Big Nemaha 25-C near Adams.

There is no commitment of funds required of the District as this is just to allow a study of the alternatives for this structure. **Motion carried.**

AYE: Albrecht, Beethe, Bohling, Duryea, Gigstad, Godemann, Heskett, Kudrna, Rush, Siske, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Umland, Weber, White, Wirth

NOT PRESENT: Goering, Heng, Speece, Walker, Watermeier

2. Conservation Easements for Caspers Road Dam Project:

S. Sugden moved, seconded by Godemann, to submit a mitigation plan to the Army Corps of Engineers in negotiating conservation easements with Ray Caspers, Leroy & Duane Caspers, and Craig Behrends for stream channel losses on the Ray Caspers road dam project. Nelson reviewed the plans and added that

the conservation easements would not be obtained until we receive approval of the 404 permit. At that time each easement would come back to the Board for approval. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried.**

AYE: Albrecht, Bohling, Duryea, Gigstad, Godemann, Heskett, Kudrna, Rush, Siske, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Umland, Weber, White, Wirth

ABSTAINING: Beethe

NOT PRESENT: Goering, Heng, Speece, Walker, Watermeier

B. Operations & Education Committee – No meeting

C. Executive Committee

1. **Resolution to Obtain a 12-Month Line of Credit for \$1 Million:** Proposals received were as follows:

<i>Bank</i>	<i>Fixed Interest Rate</i>	<i>Method of Interest Accrual</i>	<i>Fees</i>
American National Bank, Tecumseh	2.5%	360	\$2,500.00
Carson National Bank, Auburn	3.55%	Actual/365	None
Farmers Bank of Cook	3.60%	365/365	None
Tri Valley Bank, Talmage	3.75%	365/365	None/\$20 per wire
Auburn State Bank	4.5%	Actual/360	None
Arbor Bank, Nebraska City	5.0%	360/365	Wire Fees: \$10 In/\$15 Out

Beethe moved, seconded by Gigstad, to approve a resolution authorizing a loan with American National Bank for 2.5 percent interest plus a \$2,500 administration fee. There was some discussion about the amount of interest to be paid. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried.**

AYE: Albrecht, Beethe, Bohling, Duryea, Gigstad, Godemann, Heskett, Rush, Siske, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Umland, Weber, White, Wirth

ABSTAINING: Kudrna

NOT PRESENT: Goering, Heng, Speece, Walker, Watermeier

2. **Voting Delegates for NARD Legislative Conference:**
Gigstad moved, seconded by Godemann, to appoint Don Siske as voting delegate and Lisa Beethe as alternate for the NARD Legislative Conference. Motion carried.

AYE: Albrecht, Beethe, Bohling, Duryea, Gigstad, Godemann, Heskett, Kudrna, Rush, Siske, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Umland, Weber, White, Wirth

NOT PRESENT: Goering, Heng, Speece, Walker, Watermeier

3. **Update on Legislation Impacting NRDs:** Hilske reviewed a listing of bills of interest in this year's legislative session. No action.

11. **WELL PERMIT APPLICATIONS** – *None Submitted*

12. **ANNOUNCEMENTS, FEBRUARY MEETING DATE/TIME & AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS**

Hilske reviewed the upcoming election filing deadlines; he also reminded directors that they should let Scott Kudrna know their preference for committee assignments for the next year.

13. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

AYE: Albrecht, Beethe, Bohling, Duryea, Gigstad, Godemann, Heskett, Kudrna, Rush, Siske, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Umland, Weber, White, Wirth

NOT PRESENT: Goering, Heng, Speece, Walker, Watermeier

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

AYE: Albrecht, Beethe, Bohling, Duryea, Gigstad, Godemann, Heskett, Kudrna, Rush, Siske, D. Sugden, S. Sugden, Umland, Weber, White, Wirth

NOT PRESENT: Goering, Heng, Speece, Walker, Watermeier

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be Thursday, February 11, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the NRD headquarters at 62161 Hwy 136 in Tecumseh.

Approved 2/11/10

Secretary, Nemaha Natural Resources District