

April 11, 2024
Nemaha Natural Resources District
Regular Meeting
Tecumseh, Nebraska

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

Vice-Chair Russel Moss called the five hundred eighty-sixth meeting of the Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:03 p.m. Thursday, April 11, 2024, at the NRD headquarters at Tecumseh, Nebraska.

DIRECTORS	Todd Boellstorff	Robert Lassen	Mike Speece
PRESENT:	Rob Bohling	Tim Loseke	Dan Stukenholtz
	Patty Coates	Russel Moss	Duane Sugden
	Randy Fox	Alan Romine	Kevin Thorne
	Orval Gigstad	Tim Schardt	
	Dan Hodges	Eldon Snoke	

DIRECTORS	Kraig Coonce	Bill Niedfeldt
ABSENT:	Doug Iske	Jon Keithley

STAFF	Kyle Hauschild, General Manager
PRESENT:	Jane Kuhl, Assistant Manager

Moss announced that the Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall in the back of the room.

2. **PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

Proof of publication was presented and is on file.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Excused Absences: Kraig Coonce, Doug Iske, Jon Keithley, Bill Niedfeldt
- b. Minutes: No questions.
- c. Treasurer's Report: No changes.

Bohling moved, seconded by Sugden, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

AYE: Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Fox, Gigstad, Hodges, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schardt, Snoke, Speece, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Coonce, Iske, Keithley, Niedfeldt

4. **OPEN FORUMS**

Directors and staff introduced themselves.

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

Hauschild reported on the following topics: NARD Washington, DC, conference and meeting with Pete Ricketts' staff; slip lining seven watershed dams; budget items for this year that won't be completed; LB388; Lisa Bartels' retirement and hiring Maddie Million;

new Clerk in Syracuse; potential sale of Prairie Owl; meeting with City of Syracuse regarding irrigation cost-share project; UBN 7-A status; and concerns about tubes on the trail as well as the survey of trail boundaries. He also reported on a leakage problem at the Duck Creek sediment basin.

6. **AGENCY/ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

A. Natural Resources Conservation Service

A written report was provided.

B. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

Gigstad reported on the upcoming basin tour in June, the recent Washington, DC, conference, and the NARD's role at the State FFA Convention.

C. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

Fox reported on their meeting in Kearney and that they had 11 small and four big project applications this year.

7. **WELL PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** Schaardt reviewed the following application:

Permit #	Landowner Name	Well Location	GPM	Purpose	Score
N814	Blane & Emily Anthony	SE1/4 SE1/4 Section 15-6-12, Nemaha Co.	700	Irrigation	207

Schaardt moved, seconded by Stukenholtz, to approve well permit #N814 for Blane & Emily Anthony. Motion carried.

AYE: Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Fox, Gigstad, Hodges, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schaardt, Snoke, Speece, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Coonce, Iske, Keithley, Niedfeldt

8. **AWARD NOMINATIONS:** Hauschild provided information on the nominations for Director of the Year and for the Community Conservation Award.

Loseke moved, seconded by Gigstad, to nominate Duane Sugden for the NARD Director of the Year award. Motion carried.

AYE: Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Fox, Gigstad, Hodges, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schaardt, Snoke, Speece, Stukenholtz, Thorne

ABSTAINING: Sugden

NOT PRESENT: Coonce, Iske, Keithley, Niedfeldt

Loseke moved, seconded by Lassen, to nominate the Humboldt Cancer Garden for the NARD Community Conservation award. Motion carried.

AYE: Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Fox, Gigstad, Hodges, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schardt, Snoke, Speece, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Coonce, Iske, Keithley, Niedfeldt

9. **ACTION TO APPROVE MEMBERSHIP IN SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA WEED MANAGEMENT GROUP:** Hauschild explained that we are still waiting for a final agreement and details, so no action was requested at this time.

10. **ACTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF JAKE ARMKNECHT & BEGIN PROCESS TO FILL VACANCY IN THE AT-LARGE POSITION:** Hauschild read a letter of resignation from Jake Armknecht.

Sugden moved, seconded by Hodges, to accept the resignation of Jake Armknecht and begin the process of filling the at-large position. Motion carried.

AYE: Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Fox, Gigstad, Hodges, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schardt, Snoke, Speece, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Coonce, Iske, Keithley, Niedfeldt

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS, MAY AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS**

The next regular meeting of the board of directors will be Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. with committee meetings held prior to the meeting. Anyone wishing to serve on the budget committee should contact Kyle or Jane.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Sugden moved, seconded by Romine, to adjourn. Motion carried.

AYE: Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Fox, Gigstad, Hodges, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schardt, Snoke, Speece, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Coonce, Iske, Keithley, Niedfeldt

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Approved May 9, 2024

Secretary, Nemaha Natural Resources District