

March 9, 2023
Nemaha Natural Resources District
Regular Meeting
Tecumseh, Nebraska

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

Chair Doug Iske called the five hundred seventy-third meeting of the Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:10 p.m. Thursday, March 9, 2023, at the NRD headquarters at Tecumseh, Nebraska.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:	Rob Bohling Jim Gerweck Orval Gigstad Doug Iske Robert Lassen	Tim Loseke Michael McDonald Russel Moss Bill Niedfeldt Alan Romine	Eldon Snoke Mike Speece Duane Sugden Kevin Thorne
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DIRECTORS ABSENT:	Jake Armknecht Matt Bloss	Randy Fox Dan Hodges	Jon Keithley Dan Stukenholtz
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STAFF PRESENT:	Kyle Hauschild, General Manager Jane Kuhl, Administrative Manager Chuck Wingert, Water Resources Manager
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GUESTS PRESENT:	Rob Pfleger, Nebraska City Jeremiah Schutz, NRCS, Tecumseh
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Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence, Iske 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. **CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS TO FILL VACANCY IN SUBDISTRICT 4/OATH OF OFFICE**

Iske announced that all directors received a copy of the letter of interest received from Rob Pfleger, who was in attendance. Pfleger introduced himself, provided some background about himself, and answered questions about his interest in joining the board.

Romine moved, seconded by Sugden, to approve the appointment of Robert Pfleger to the vacant director position in Subdistrict 4. Motion carried.

AYE: Bohling, Gerweck, Gigstad, Iske, Lassen, Loseke, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Snoke, Speece, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Armknecht, Bloss, Fox, Hodges, Keithley, Stukenholtz

Hauschild administered the oath of office to Rob Pfleger.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Excused Absences: Jake Armknecht, Matt Bloss, Randy Fox, Dan Hodges, Jon Keithley, Dan Stukenholtz
- b. Minutes: no changes
- c. Treasurer's Report: no changes.

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

AYE: Bohling, Gerweck, Gigstad, Iske, Lassen, Loseke, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Snoke, Speece, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Armknecht, Bloss, Fox, Hodges, Keithley, Stukenholtz

NOT VOTING: Pflieger

5. **OPEN FORUMS**

Directors and staff introduced themselves.

6. **STAFF REPORTS**

Hauschild reviewed his report. Wingert reviewed his report.

7. **AGENCY/ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

A. Natural Resources Conservation Service

Schutz reviewed his written report, which was distributed to all directors.

B. Five Rivers RC&D

Sugden reported on the status of RC&D and their recent meeting.

C. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

Gigstad reported on the NACD annual meeting he attended. He also reported on the recent NARD board meeting.

D. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

In Fox's absence, Hauschild provided a report on the recent meeting.

E. Steamboat Trace Volunteer Group

No report.

8. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. PROGRAMS & PROJECTS COMMITTEE

1. *Well Permit Applications:* The following well permit applications were reviewed:

Permit #	Landowner Name	Well Location	GPM	Purpose	Score
N793	Dale & Debra Wolken	NW¼ NW¼ Section 35-5-8, Gage Co.	500	Subsurface Drip Irrigation	274
N794	CAMCAT, LLC	SE¼ NW¼ Section 1-5-10, Johnson Co.	800	Pivot Irrigation	336
N795	CAMCAT, LLC	NW¼ SE¼ Section 1-5-10, Johnson Co.	800	Pivot Irrigation	290

Bohling moved, seconded by Sugden, to approve the following well permit applications: N793, N794, and N795. Motion carried.

AYE: Bohling, Gerweck, Gigstad, Iske, Lassen, Loseke, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Romine, Snoke, Speece, Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Armknecht, Bloss, Fox, Hodges, Keithley, Stukenholtz
NOT VOTING: Pfleger

B. OPERATIONS & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1. ***Awards Program Proposal:*** Lassen reported that the committee discussed local awards that would be patterned after the state awards. They also discussed a ceremony for presenting local awards. The awards program and criteria will be on the April agenda. No action.

C. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. ***Agenda Item Request Form:*** Moss reviewed the form, which was provided to all directors.

Moss moved, seconded by Romine, to approve the format and use of the agenda item request form. There was discussion on the purpose of the form and the Executive Committee's approval of submitted agenda items. Hauschild added that using this form would provide the staff with more accurate information when putting together the agenda. After further discussion, **motion carried.**

AYE: Bohling, Gerweck, Gigstad, Iske, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Niedfeldt, Pfleger, Romine, Snoke, Speece, Sugden, Thorne
NAY: McDonald
NOT PRESENT: Armknecht, Bloss, Fox, Hodges, Keithley, Stukenholtz

2. ***Final Action on Timetable for Manager's Evaluation:*** Moss reviewed the process which provides for input from all board members by the April meeting, Executive Committee would review the comments and bring it back to the board in May, and final results would be provided in June.

Moss moved, seconded by Lassen, to approve the timetable for the manager's goals and evaluation. Motion carried.

AYE: Bohling, Gerweck, Gigstad, Iske, Lassen, Loseke, McDonald, Moss,
Niedfeldt, Pflieger, Romine, Snoke, Speece, Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Armknecht, Bloss, Fox, Hodges, Keithley, Stukenholtz

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS, APRIL MEETING DATE/TIME & AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS**

The next meeting will be April 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. with committee meetings prior to the regular meeting.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Gigstad moved, seconded by McDonald, to adjourn. Motion carried.

AYE: Bohling, Gerweck, Gigstad, Iske, Lassen, Loseke, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt,
Pflieger, Romine, Snoke, Speece, Sugden, Thorne
NOT PRESENT: Armknecht, Bloss, Fox, Hodges, Keithley, Stukenholtz

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Approved April 13, 2023

Secretary, Nemaha Natural Resources District