

NEMAHA NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
62161 US Hwy 136 - Tecumseh, Nebraska
Thursday, January 13, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

FINAL AGENDA

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence/Open Meetings Law Announcement
2. Proof of Publication
3. Excused Absences
4. Open Forums:
 - Introduction of Board Members, NRD Staff, NRCS, and Guests
 - Open Public Comment Period
5. Minutes
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Staff Report

8. Agency/Association Reports

- A. *Natural Resources Conservation Service - Jeremiah Schutz*
- B. *Five Rivers RC&D – Duane Sugden*
- C. *NARD - Orval Gigstad*
- D. *Nebraska Natural Resources Commission – Mike McDonald*
- E. *Steamboat Trace Volunteer Group – Dan Giittinger*

9. Standing Committees – No committee meetings this month

10. Action on Well Permit Applications

11. Bids for Tree Cutting on NNRD Dams

12. Action to Transfer Funds from 319 Kirkman’s Cove Sinking Fund to General Fund

13. Announcements, February Agenda Item Requests

The following agenda items have been postponed to the February meeting: Election of Officers; Discussion on Policy for Operation of Motorized Devices by Disabled Persons at NNRD Recreation Areas; Updating District Bank Signatory Authority; Review/Discussion on General Manager Evaluation Process

14. Consent Agenda

15. Adjournment

~CALENDAR OF EVENTS~

January 13	NNRD Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
January 17	Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday – NNRD Office Closed
January 25-26	NARD Legislative Conference, Lincoln
February 10	NNRD Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
February 12-16	NACD Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL
February 15	Incumbent Filing Deadline
February 21	Presidents Day Holiday – NNRD Office Closed
March 1	Non-Incumbent Filing Deadline

Well Permit Applications Received

Permit #	Landowner Name	Well Location	GPM	Purpose	Score
N751	Richard Jansen	SW¼SW¼ Section 27-Township 06N-Range 11E of Johnson Co.	500	Irrigation	226
N752	Brooke Gerdes	SW¼NW¼ Section 31-Township 03N-Range 15E of Richardson Co	500	Irrigation	223
N753	Brooke Gerdes	NE¼NW¼ Section 31-Township 03N-Range 15E of Richardson Co	500	Irrigation	297

In accordance with District rules, any well permit application scoring less than 201 points will not be approved and any well permit application located east of Muddy Creek, south of the Nemaha/Richardson County line, west of the Missouri River and north of Big Nemaha Alluvial Aquifer Region in Richardson County scoring less than 300 points will not be approved.

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December 9, 2021
Nemaha Natural Resources District
Regular Meeting
Tecumseh, Nebraska

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

Doug Iske called the five hundred fifty-eighth meeting of the Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:04 p.m. Thursday, December 9, 2021, at the NRD Headquarters in Tecumseh, Nebraska.

DIRECTORS	Lisa Beethe	Doug Iske	Dan Stukenholtz
PRESENT:	Rob Bohling	Robert Lassen	Duane Sugden
	Randy Fox	Michael McDonald	Kevin Thorne
	Jim Gerweck	Russel Moss	
	Dan Giittinger	Bill Niedfeldt	

DIRECTORS	Orval Gigstad	Tim Loseke	Eldon Snoke
ABSENT:	Dan Hodges	Alan Romine	Mike Speece
	Jon Keithley	Don Siske	

STAFF	Kyle Hauschild, General Manager
PRESENT:	Jane Kuhl, Administrative Assistant
	Chuck Wingert, Water Resources Manager

GUESTS	Jeremiah Schutz, NRCS, Tecumseh
PRESENT:	

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. **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

Sugden moved, seconded by Bohling, to approve the excused absences requested by Orval Gigstad, Dan Hodges, Jon Keithley, Tim Loseke, Alan Romine, Don Siske, Eldon Snoke, and Mike Speece. Motion carried on consent agenda.

4. **OPEN FORUMS**

Directors, staff, and guests introduced themselves.

5. **MINUTES**

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

6. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Sugden moved, seconded by Bohling, to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted.
Following questions from Beethe regarding the Risk Pool payments and legal fees, **motion carried on consent agenda.**

7. **STAFF REPORTS**

Hauschild, Wingert, and Kuhl reported on various items.

8. **AGENCY/ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

A. Natural Resources Conservation Service

Schutz reviewed his written report which included more staff updates.

B. Five Rivers RC&D

Sugden reported all dues have been received, the last of the grants have come in, and their December meeting would be on the 16th.

C. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

Directors were reminded that registration for the Legislative Conference would be due prior to the next meeting.

D. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

McDonald reported they have made some initial determinations on approvals. They are looking at whether some unused money can be reallocated. They meet again next week.

E. Steamboat Trace Volunteer Group

Giittinger reported that the group has been doing some work when the weather is good. Their last scheduled meeting was cancelled.

9. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. PROGRAMS & PROJECTS COMMITTEE

1. *Well Permit Applications:* None

2. *Action to Approve Middle Big Nemaha 12 Irrigation Agreement:* Wingert explained the 10-year agreement with United Farm & Ranch Management.

Stukenholtz moved, seconded by Lassen, to approve the irrigation agreement with United Farm & Ranch Management on Middle Big Nemaha 12. Motion carried.

AYE: Beethe, Bohling, Fox, Gerweck, Giittinger, Iske, Lassen, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Gigstad, Hodges, Keithley, Loseke, Romine, Siske, Snoke, Speece

B. OPERATIONS & EDUCATION COMMITTEE-NO MEETING

C. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. ***Action to Approve Board of Directors Redistricting Plan:*** Moss explained that the committee had reviewed all the options, which had been sent to all directors. Their recommendation was Plan #7-3 because it would affect the fewest current directors while still meeting the 1:1 population ratio requirement.

Moss moved, seconded by Lassen, to approve the election redistricting Plan #7-3 as presented. Motion carried.

AYE: Beethe, Bohling, Fox, Gerweck, Giittinger, Iske, Lassen, Moss, Niedfeldt, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NAY: McDonald

NOT PRESENT: Gigstad, Hodges, Keithley, Loseke, Romine, Siske, Snoke, Speece

2. ***Selection of Nominating Committee for 2022 Board Officers:*** Iske stated Bill Niedfeldt, Bob Lassen, and Duane Sugden had agreed to serve on the committee.

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

The next meeting will be Thursday, January 13, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. with committee meetings prior to the regular meeting. There was discussion about the progress on the General Manager's evaluation; Iske reported he had started working on it. Lassen asked to review the process at the next Executive Committee meeting.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

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

AYE: Beethe, Bohling, Fox, Gerweck, Giittinger, Iske, Lassen, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Gigstad, Hodges, Keithley, Loseke, Romine, Siske, Snoke, Speece

12. ADJOURNMENT

Beethe moved, seconded by Thorne, to adjourn. Motion carried.

AYE: Beethe, Bohling, Fox, Gerweck, Giittinger, Iske, Lassen, McDonald, Moss, Niedfeldt, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

NOT PRESENT: Gigstad, Hodges, Keithley, Loseke, Romine, Siske, Snoke, Speece

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

NEMAHA NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT: REVENUES
December 1-31, 2021

REVENUE		
Name	Description	Amount
Misc Revenue		
Mainstreet Bank	Interest	18.69
American National Bank	Interest on Regular Checking	1.21
Cash Deposit	Bobbie Meints - copies	10.00
Cash Deposit	Lisa Bartels - purchase screen, dry erase board	10.00
Cash Deposit	Mark McDonald - surplus property-damaged door	40.00
Cash Deposit	Postage due - NRCS syracuse	-1.03
Cash Deposit	Pitney Bowes - duplicate payment refunded	229.47
TOTAL		\$289.65
Treasurer's Drawdown		
Cass County Treasurer	November county tax collection	480.98
Gage County Treasurer	November county tax collection	358.22
Johnson County Treasurer	November county tax collections	1,130.94
Lancaster County Treasurer	November county tax collections	1,237.54
Nemaha County Treasurer	November county tax collections	1,812.60
Otoe County Treasurer	November county tax collections	3,286.55
Pawnee County Treasurer	November county tax collection	2,038.15
Richardson County Treasurer	November county tax collections	1,402.51
Johnson County Treasurer	November Housing Auth	67.68
TOTAL		\$11,815.17
Taxes Collected		
Cash Deposit	Tree order sales tax	81.68
Cash Deposit	KC NE sales tax	1.99
Cash Deposit	IH NE sales tax	6.42
Cash Deposit	DC NE sales tax	0.80
Cash Deposit	KC lodging tax	1.81
Cash Deposit	IH lodging tax	5.83
Cash Deposit	DC lodging tax	0.72
TOTAL		\$99.25
Trail & Parks Revenue		
Cash Deposit	KC electrical	36.20
Cash Deposit	IH electrical	116.75
Cash Deposit	DC electrical	14.48
Park Permits Sold	Park Permits Sold	887.15
TOTAL		\$1,054.58
Tree Program		
Cash Deposit	Tree orders/sales	1,110.00
Cash Deposit	Dan Kreifels - Tree planting	375.00
TOTAL		1,485.00
Misc Fed Grants & Funds		
State of Nebraska	Reimbursement for Rubber mulch	11,859.36
TOTAL		11,859.36
Well Decomission/Permit		
Cash Deposit	Sargent Drilling - Well permit N751	50.00
TOTAL		50.00

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TREASURER'S REPORT: REVENUES
December 1-31, 2021

TOTAL AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK REVENUE	\$26,653.01
TOTAL MAINSTREET BANK REVENUE	\$18.69
TOTAL REVENUE	\$26,671.70

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK-CHECKING (ANB)	
BALANCE FROM LAST MONTH	\$349,631.97
DEPOSITS	\$26,653.01
LESS EXPENSES	\$305,104.83
ENDING MONTH BALANCE	\$71,180.15

MAINSTREET BANK (MM)	
BALANCE FROM LAST MONTH	\$227,378.53
ENDING MONTH BALANCE	\$227,397.22

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TREASURER'S REPORT: EXPENDITURES
December 1-31, 2021

EXPENDITURES			
Ref #	Name	Description	Amount
Employee Benefits			
36337	Mid-American Benefits, Inc.	Participant Fee-hQ-Dec	4.00
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	NRD share Health ins - HQ-Dec	21,182.75
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	NRD share health ins-HQ - Nov	21,181.75
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	NRD share health ins - clerks-Dec	1,346.47
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	NRD share health ins - clerks-Nov	5,409.69
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	Employee share health ins-Dec	4,308.20
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	Employee share health ins - Nov	4,308.20
36337	Mid-American Benefits, Inc.	Employee MFSA-Dec	54.00
36337	Mid-American Benefits, Inc.	Employee DepFSA-Dec	1,638.44
online	Nationwide Insurance Company	414H Retirement contributions-PR 11/30/2021	3,508.22
online	Nationwide Insurance Company	414H Retirement contributions- 12/15/21 PR	3,508.22
online	Nationwide Insurance Company	414H Retirement Contributions-PR 12/31/21	3,565.25
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	Employee share life ins-Dec	21.00
36342	NARD Risk Pool Association	Employee Share life ins-Nov	21.00
36329	ReliaStar Life Insurance Co.	V. Speers 457 plan	25.00
36346	ReliaStar Life Insurance Co.	V.Speers 457 plan	25.00
TOTAL			70,107.19
Payroll Expense			
online	Electronic Federal Tax Payment	Federal withholding - PR 12/15/21	2,139.44
online	Electronic Federal Tax Payment	Federal w/holding - PR 12/31/21	2,274.82
online	Electronic Federal Tax Payment	Soc. Sec - PR 12/15/21	3,535.28
online	Electronic Federal Tax Payment	Soc Sec - PR 12/31/21	4,248.40
online	Electronic Federal Tax Payment	Medicare - PR 12/15/21	826.80
online	Electronic Federal Tax Payment	Medicare - PR 12/31/21	993.68
online	NE Department of Revenue	State income tax withholding - PR 11/30/21	1,886.77
online	NE Department of Revenue	State income tax withhold - PR 12/31/21	2,023.15
online	Payroll	Payroll - December	50,628.63
TOTAL			68,556.97
Legal Notices/Meeting Notices			
36323	Pawnee Republican	Notice of board mtng	6.56
36324	Auburn Newspapers	Notice of board mtng	5.40
36328	Humboldt Standard	Board mtng notice	4.49
36331	Tecumseh Chieftain	Board mtng notice	5.40
36345	Falls City Journal	Board mtng notice	4.05
36349	Humboldt Standard	Nov. Board mtng notice	4.15
36324	Auburn Newspapers	Expenditure listing	27.09
TOTAL			57.14
Misc Ads Expense			
36328	Humboldt Standard	Help wanted ads	90.00
36334	KBIE FM 103.1	Radio Advertising	225.00
36345	Falls City Journal	Classified-Clerk-FC	33.00
36345	Falls City Journal	Classified-Clerk-FC	33.00
36345	Falls City Journal	Classified-Clerk-FC	33.00
TOTAL			414.00
Misc. Office Bills			
online	Paya Procession Center	November credit card processing fees	120.48
online	FNB-Credit Cards	MS Office 365 subscriptions	240.00
36321	Michael Wiebke	Computer consulting for November 2021	487.50

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Ref #	Name	Description	Amount
36335	All Copy Products Inc	Copier Service Agreement-Nov	84.42
36335	All Copy Products Inc	Copier Service Agreement-Dec	96.98
36333	Pitney Bowes	Postage meter rental	102.90
36360	Pitney Bowes	postage meter rental	102.90
36360	Pitney Bowes	postage	180.00
online1	Windstream	Telephone service	308.25
36332	DAS State Accounting	Network service charge-cell phone billing	62.70
36352	DAS State Accounting	Network service charge-cell phone billing, INV# 1298801	61.14
36316	Omaha Public Power District	Office, shop, HQ electric	336.87
online4	RWD #1 Johnson County	Water at NRD HQ	32.78
online4	RWD #1 Johnson County	Water at NRD HQ	27.00
36330	Seneca Sanitation	Trash pickup @ NRD HQ	50.00
TOTAL			2,293.92

Bufferstrip Funds Payable			
36313	Donald Schmidt Family Trust	NBSP #00501	1,261.52
36313	Donald Schmidt Family Trust	NBSP #00502	1,746.72
TOTAL			3,008.24

Parks Expense			
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Cedar Mulch	35.00
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Bluedef, cedar mulch	29.97
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Fencing, wire-trees	530.44
36325	3T Tree Service	Tree work-Roadside near Iron Horse	1,250.00
36316	Omaha Public Power District	IH electric	103.02
36316	Omaha Public Power District	KC electric	120.71
36316	Omaha Public Power District	DC electric	361.97
36319	American Recycling & Sanitation Inc	6-2yd container rent-DC	120.00
36320	City of Tecumseh	Water @ Wirth Bros	27.00
online5	RWD #1 Pawnee County	Water at IH	117.00
36330	Seneca Sanitation	Trash pickup @ IH	160.00
36330	Seneca Sanitation	Trash pickup @ WB	60.00
TOTAL			2,915.11

Auto Expenses/Fuel/Maint			
36339	NAPA	Fuse Kit	6.49
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Fuel	1,473.28
TOTAL			1,479.77

Registration, Training, Travel - Staff			
36314	Jane Kuhl	Mileage to Central Platte NRD, Calendar Committee Mtg-10/27/21	168.00
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Meal-Travel-Kyle	33.34
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Meal-Travel-Kyle	12.45
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Holiday Inn - Manager Mtng-Kyle	108.00
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Holiday Inn - Manager Mtng-Kyle	132.53
36336	Geralynn O'Malley	Mileage to/from Syracuse - NRCS office	291.20
TOTAL			745.52

Attorney Expenses-Routine			
36338	Blankenau Wilmoth Jarecke LLP	Phone Conf - Re: Re-Districting	42.00
TOTAL			42.00

Ins Premium Exp			
36326	FNIC	Add'l workers comp premium - per audit	1,128.00

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EXPENDITURES			
Ref #	Name	Description	Amount
TOTAL			1,128.00
Auditor Expense			
36347	Schulz & Associates, P.C.	Auditor expense	6,600.00
TOTAL			6,600.00
Consultant Fees			
36327	HDR Engineering, Inc.	VIMP Development - INV 1200379822-pymnt 6	533.62
36327	HDR Engineering, Inc.	VIMP Development - INV 1200386511-pymnt 7	1,113.13
TOTAL			1,646.75
Easement Expense			
36315	Richard Wilson	Duck Creek Sediment Basin, Rich Wilson 4.4 acre land rent for construction	1,100.00
TOTAL			1,100.00
Misc. Shop Supplies & Equipment			
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Cable ties, trailer end nigh glow, 7 blade	41.95
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Rags, bluedef, WD40, misc hardware	72.92
36348	Topps Small Engine	18" chain	19.80
TOTAL			134.67
Tree Program Expense			
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Nursery Trees	414.00
TOTAL			414.00
Building Maintenance			
36312	Kristine Gerking	Janitorial service - November	550.00
36340	Beatrice Fire Protection LLC	Fire ext. Inspections, recharge	122.45
36351	Kristine Gerking	Janitorial services-December	550.00
TOTAL			1,222.45
Groundwater monitoring expense/Well Aband./Cost Share Water programs			
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Ward lab analysis	22.75
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Lab supplies	105.78
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Ward lab analysis	24.05
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Lab supplies	23.75
36344	ENWRA	ENWRA Project-Yr 16 contribution for FY22- Inv# 3070	20,000.00
36344	ENWRA	Nebraska GeoCloud Annual Dues FY22- Inv# 4045	3,400.00
36322	Lawrence Dean McKinsey Estate	Cost share for the closure of cased well	427.12
36350	University of Nebraska- Lincoln	Surface water monitoring analysis	2,028.00
TOTAL			26,031.45
Watershed Structure Repair/Supplies			
36317	Empire Construction & Trenching Inc	BR4-2 repairs-stored materials	74,224.84
36318	Parde Mowing	Shred Dam MBN 96	1,425.00
online	FNB-Credit Cards	Insulator corner post 10-pak, Fencer low imp solar 10 mile 6	192.98
36341	Gana Trucking & Excavating, Inc.	Hauling rip rap	4,352.65
TOTAL			80,195.47
Conservation Assistance Program			
36353	Gail Neumeister	Conservation cost-share(SWCP)	7,752.27
36354	Anita Loeck	Conservation cost-share(SWCP)	8,000.00
36355	James A. Masters	Conservation cost-share(SWCP)	2,372.99
36356	Phyllis Masters	Conservation Cost-Share(SWCP)	2,554.97
36357	Jas Farms Inc	Conservation cost-share(SWCP)	7,017.68
36358	Daniel Masters	Conservation Cost-share(SWCP)	1,314.27

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<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Ref #	Name	Description	Amount
36359	Centennial Lake Farm LLC	Conservation cost-share(SWCP)	8,000.00
TOTAL			37,012.18

Total Expenditures **305,104.83**

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TREASURER'S REPORT: PAYROLL
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PAYROLL		
MANAGEMENT		
Employee	Amount	Gross
Kyle Hauschild	4,248.26	7,916.68
Charles B. Wingert	3,453.24	5,549.52
TOTAL	\$7,701.50	\$13,466.20
ADMINISTRATION		
Employee	Amount	Gross
Jane Kuhl	3,412.22	4,867.70
Lisa L. Bartels	2,289.36	3,359.84
Ashley Rippe	1,514.40	1,875.00
Jill Rogman	2,204.22	3,150.86
TOTAL	\$9,420.20	\$13,253.40
DISTRICT PROJECTS		
Employee	Amount	Gross
Aaron D. Stalder	3,123.64	4,573.94
Charles W. Pierce	3,292.88	4,280.40
Kenneth J. Hatten	2,481.76	3,398.26
Mark McDonald	3,020.76	4,230.58
Steven Bartels	3,064.14	4,189.82
Tomas Chale'Ake'	2,276.62	3,711.90
Vernon E. Speers	3,235.64	4,230.58
TOTAL	\$20,495.44	\$28,615.48
NRCS STAFF		
Employee	Amount	Gross
Alice A. Alexander	1,876.36	2,623.84
Geralynn M. O'Malley	1,841.20	2,535.52
Kathrine A. Harlow	1,817.72	2,888.80
Lauren Shoemaker	1,862.47	2,235.60
Chris Kennedy		
TOTAL	\$7,397.75	\$10,283.76
DIRECTORS		
Employee	Amount	Gross
A O. Gigstad	1,329.17	455.00
Alan Romine	176.05	130.00
Daniel B. Stukenholtz	167.09	130.00
Daniel P. Gittinger	323.24	195.00
Daniel T. Hodges	415.84	195.00
Donald L. Siske	154.77	130.00
Douglas A. Iske	176.05	130.00
Duane Sugden	469.93	227.50
Eldon D. Snoke	85.79	65.00
James D. Gerweck	292.08	195.00
Kevin L. Thorne	293.00	195.00
Lisa Beethe	131.25	130.00
Michael L. McDonald	205.17	130.00
Randall J. Fox	314.48	195.00
Robbie L. Bohling	210.32	195.00
Robert L. Lassen	196.21	130.00
Russel L. Moss	158.13	130.00
Timothy B. Loseke	187.25	130.00
William J. Niedfeldt	327.92	195.00
TOTAL	\$5,613.74	\$3,282.50
TOTAL	\$50,628.63	\$68,901.34

January Managers Report

January 5, 2022

Current NRD News:

Rod Horn retired from the South Platte NRD. Rod originally played football for Nebraska in the late 70's and was drafted into the NFL and played for the Bengals. Rod is retiring after over 40 years with the South Platte NRD.

Marlin Petermann passed away on December 22 due to complications from pneumonia. He was employed with the Papio-Missouri River NRD for 48 years. Marlin was the Assistant Manager.

Dave Clabaugh, the manager of the Lower Big Blue NRD, retired January 6th. He has worked for the NRD system for almost 30 years.

Dr. Robert Ottemann came to our office to collect any information that he may need to do the salary survey for the district. He is hoping to compare 10-12 other entities to the packages that the Nemaha NRD provides, compared to what others provide along with salaries, so he can present his findings and recommendations to the board within the next few months.

We awarded and started to work with FYRA on the 319 works for Kirkman's Cove. They have just started to work on information collection, so hopefully in the next few months they will have some updates and more to report on.

Ashley Rippe started on December 16th, so we are coming up on a month employed. She will be attending the meeting so she will have a chance to introduce herself and answer any questions that anyone may have for her.

The NRCS secretary position in Falls City is still open. We are hoping to relist the position after the first of the year to see if we can get any interested candidates for the position. If we don't receive any good applications, we may have to wait until the salary survey is completed and we start the new fiscal year for any salary adjustments that may be considered.

A town hall meeting was held in Peru by the Northeast Nemaha County Long-Term Recovery Group (LTRG). This group has been working to get Nemaha Co. and more specifically the Peru area for economic recovery from the flooding that caused a lot of issues for the area. The trail was brought up in the meeting. It seems that there is support locally for the trail and the area around the depot. I will continue to work with the group and Peru to find out what they envision the trail and depot area to be used for in the future.

The NARD conference is still scheduled for the 25-26th of January. Anyone that reached out to attend the conference and needed a hotel room should be registered and days reserved that were requested.

The start of the 60-day (short session) legislative session started January 5th. There will be 10 business days to start the session that any bills can be introduced. As of the 5th there were no updates to any bills that would be introduced in this session. I would guess that there will be a few that will come out of the LR23 testimonies, but time will tell if they are proposed and if they make the floor.

See you at the board meeting; please let me know if you have any questions.

Kyle

Updates

NRCS staff update: Megan Timms has been hired as an NRCS Soil Conservationist in the Tecumseh Office. Megan worked for the NRCS in Tecumseh this past summer as a Pathways Intern and is now a full time NRCS employee. Megan is from Adams, Nebraska and graduated from the University of Nebraska – Lincoln with a BS in Wildlife Ecology. While in college, Megan worked for the Lower Big Blue NRD as well as the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy. Megan enjoys spending her free time outdoors hunting and fishing, hiking in the mountains, helping on her family feedlot, and spending time with friends and family.

COVID UPDATE: NRCS staffing restrictions have increased and fluctuate weekly based on the continued rapid rise of COVID cases. NRCS offices are still open but walk-in customers must wear a mask and appointments are encouraged as we can only have one customer in the office at a time.

NSWCP

NRCS is scheduled to meet with Kyle and Jane to discuss SWCP incentives / cost share rates for FY22 projects.

Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP)

Ranking pools have been developed and incentive funds have been determined for the FY22 EQIP program. The Nemaha NRD local fund pool received an approx. \$3000 increase from last year's funding level. FY22 initial allocation is \$344k for EQIP general "local" funds for the Nemaha NRD.

January 17 - the NRCS will start ranking EQIP applications that are eligible for this local funding pool.

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)

A tentative ranking deadline has been set for CSP applications in early May.

CRP

The Continuous CRP program is still ongoing. Landowners interested in CRP should contact NRCS to get these areas of interest evaluated and start the planning and application process.

Other

The NRCS will be starting the process to schedule and hold a local working group meeting to obtain guidance from stakeholders within the Nemaha NRD to determine next year's USDA program priorities. This meeting was limited by COVID restrictions last winter and unfortunately may be limited this year also, but to obtain more input from local producers NRCS will be developing a questionnaire this year that can be completed and submitted to increase input from local stakeholders.

Water Resources Board Meeting Report for January 13th, 2022

By Chuck Wingert, Water Resources Manager

1. Well Permits Received this Month (see maps on following page)

N751 – Richard & Maryann Jansen – *received December 28th, 2021*

- a. The well will be used to pivot irrigate approximately 140 acres of land on the southwest quarter of Section 27 – Township 06 North – Range 11 East of Johnson County. The well is to be located approximately 5 miles north of the City of Tecumseh.
- b. A flowrate of 500 gpm is desired from this well.
- c. The thickness of the principal aquifer is 29 feet consisting of fine, medium & coarse sand and fine to medium gravel. This formation sits on top of gray shale bedrock at 138 feet below ground surface. A transmissivity value of 18,117 gpd/ft was calculated from the geologic log.
- d. The location and geologic log of the testhole had total ranking score of **226 points**. There are no registered irrigation or public water supply wells and only one domestic well within 6,000 feet of the testhole location.

N752 & N753 – Brooke Gerdes – *received January 5th, 2022*

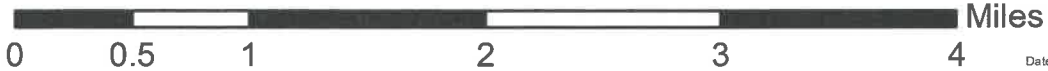
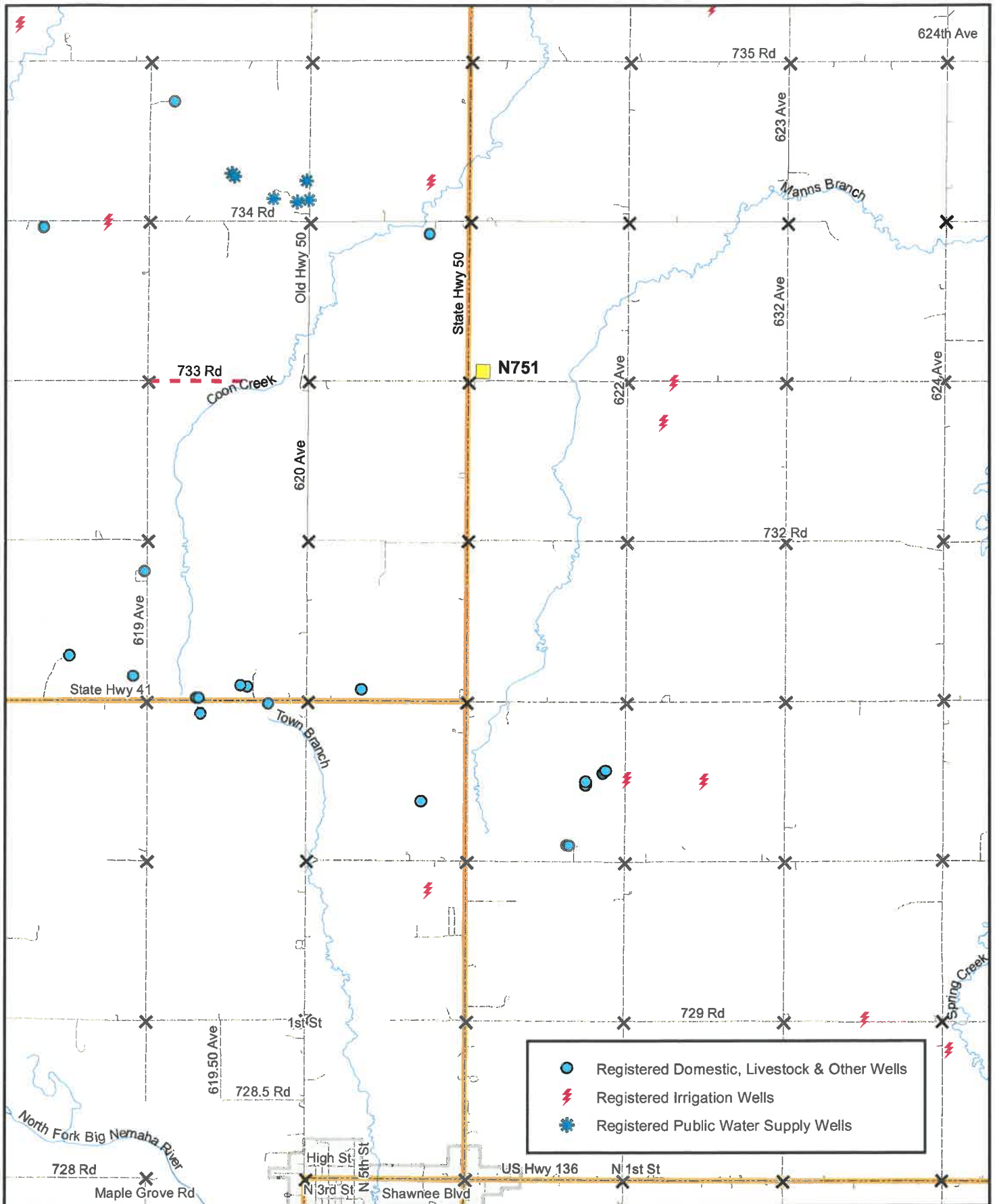
- a. The wells will be used to pivot irrigate approximately 125 acres of land on the northwest quarter of Section 31 – Township 03 North – Range 15 East of Richardson County. The wells are to be constructed in the center and the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 31 which is approximately 3 miles south of the Village of Stella.
- b. A flow rate of 500 gpm is desired.
- c. For N752: the thickness of the principal aquifer is 83 feet consisting of fine, medium & coarse sand and coarse gravel. This formation sits on top of shale bedrock at 178 feet below ground surface. A transmissivity value of 83,357 gpd/ft was calculated from the geologic log.
- d. For N753: the thickness of the principal aquifer is 97 feet consisting of very fine, fine, medium & coarse sand and very coarse gravel. The formation sits on top of the shale bedrock at 172 feet.
- e. The locations and geologic logs of the testholes had total ranking scores of **302 and 297 points**, respectively. There is one registered irrigation, zero public water supply wells and two registered domestic wells within 6,000 feet of the testhole location.

Additional Information

- The fourth and final stakeholder meeting for the Voluntary Integrated Management Plan (VIMP) is to be held on January 20th, 2022 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm via WebEx. The main purpose of this meeting is to discuss the revised draft Integrated Management Plan and to collect comments from stakeholders prior to submitting the document for final board approval and a public hearing.

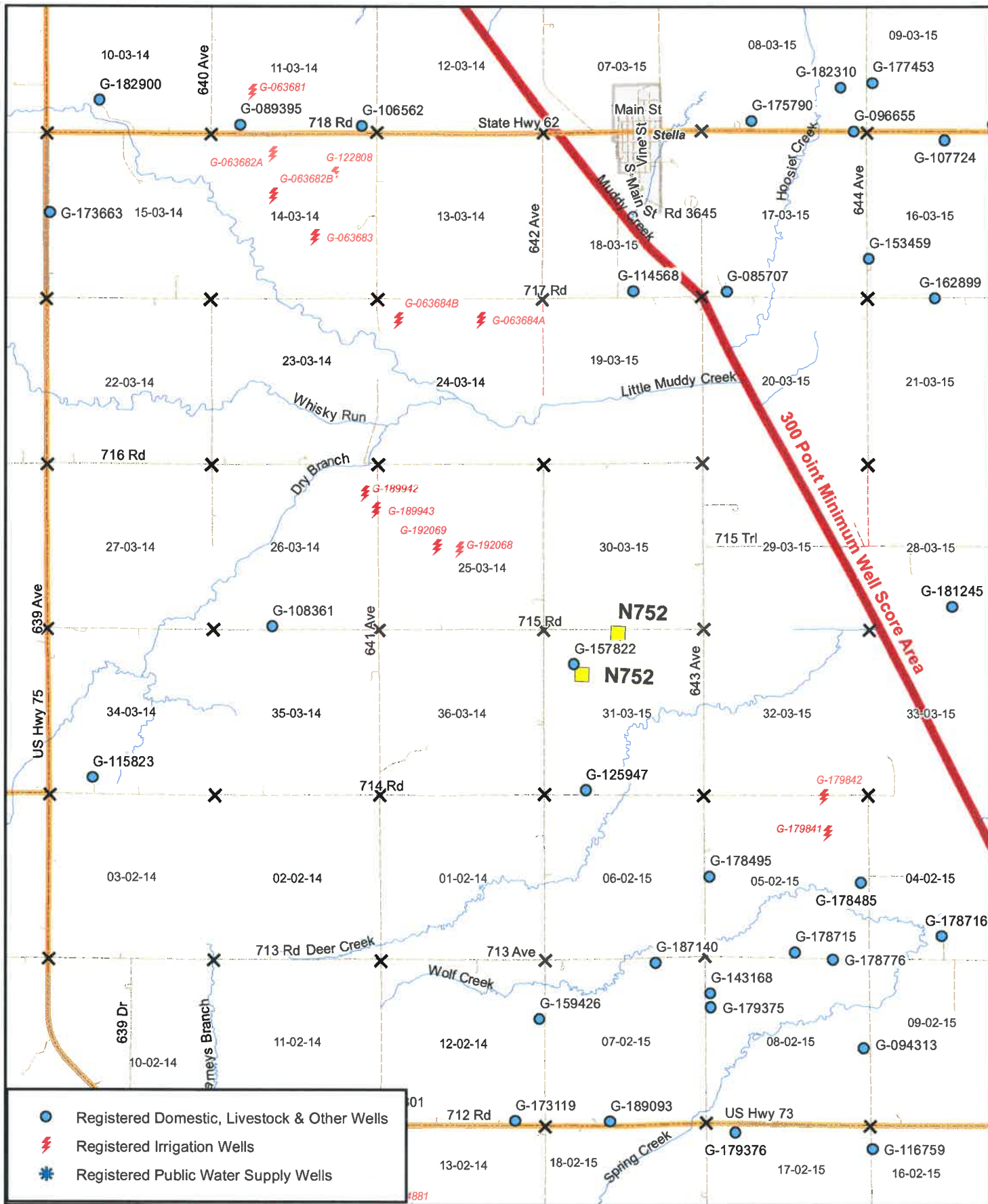
Meetings:

- Administration meeting with Kyle & Jane on January 3rd
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2022 Contractor Tree Cutting Bid Results

January 13, 2022

Site	Mike Borrenpohl	Dresen Contracting, LLC
Spring Creek 9-A	\$1,250.00	\$1,425.00
South Branch 58	\$1,575.00	\$1,650.00
Upper Big Nemaha 1-B41	\$1,975.00	\$2,150.00
Upper Big Nemaha 18-A	\$2,700.00	\$2,875.00
Upper Big Nemaha 9-A	\$2,550.00	\$2,700.00
Wilson Creek 10-E	\$2,400.00	\$2,250.00
Wilson Creek 2-X	\$3,000.00	\$2,700.00
Upper Little Nemaha 8	\$2,975.00	\$2,875.00
Upper Little Nemaha 61	\$1,675.00	\$1,400.00
Upper Little Nemaha 63	\$1,975.00	\$1,750.00
Total-Borrenpohl	\$10,050.00	
Total-Dresen		\$10,975.00

Total Both Bids = \$21,025.00

Budgeted Amount = \$20,000.00