

CENTRAL PLATTE NRD
Board Meeting Agenda
October 22, 2015 – 2:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

This is an open meeting of the Central Platte Natural Resources District. The NRD abides by the Open Meetings Act in conducting business. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is displayed on the south wall of this room as required by State law. The Board reserves the right to change the order of an item on the agenda and some items on the agenda are subject to closed session.

MEETING NOTICES

MEETING MINUTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

PUBLIC FORUM

BUSINESS:

1. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) - Joe Krolikowski, Grand Island Field Office
2. Excused Absences
3. Project Policy Subcommittee Report
4. Water Quality Subcommittee- Report & Recommendations
 - a. Which Groundwater Quality Management Areas may need to be moved into a higher Phase
 - b. Set a Hearing Date & Time to move parts of Hall & Hamilton counties into a Phase II Groundwater Management Area & change the date that Groundwater Quality Management reporting forms need to be submitted to the NRD
5. Snagging & Clearing Subcommittee – Report & Recommendation
6. NARD Report – Jim Bendfeldt

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7. Commission Report – Mick Reynolds
 8. Cost Share Program Applications – Kelly Cole
 9. Financial Report
 10. Executive Session
 11. Upcoming Events
 - a. November 11, Veteran’s Day Observed (Office Closed)
 - b. November 22-24, NWRA/NSIA Joint Convention, Kearney, NE
 - c. November 26-27, Thanksgiving Holiday Observed (Office Closed)
 - d. January 5-8, GMDA Annual Conference, Sacramento, CA
 12. Next Board Meeting – November 19, 2015, 2:00 p.m.
 13. Other Business
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CENTRAL PLATTE NRD

Board Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Ed Kyes called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. He reported that the NRD abides by the Open Meetings Act in conducting business and said that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was displayed on the south wall of the conference room, that the Board reserves the right to change the order of an item on the agenda, and some items on the agenda are subject to closed session.

ATTENDANCE: Board members present were:

LeRoy Arends	Dwayne Margritz	Mick Reynolds
Jim Bendfeldt	Charles Maser	Jay Richeson
Charles Bicak	Jerry Milner	Steve Sheen
Alicia Haussler	Barry Obermiller	Keith Stafford
Chris Henry	Ladd Reeves	Ed Stoltenberg
Brian Keiser	Marvion Reichert	Deborah VanMatre
Ed Kyes		

Excused Absences – Bob Schanou. Absent – Jerry Wiese.

Staff present: Lyndon Vogt – General Manager, Duane Woodward – District Hydrologist, Mark Czaplewski – District Biologist, Dianne Miller – Administrative Director, Kelly Cole – Programs Coordinator, Marcia Lee – Information/Education Specialist, Sandy Noecker – Data & Compliance Officer, Dan Clement – Water Resources Specialist; Jesse Mintken – Projects Director, Luke Zakrzewski – GIS Image Analyst, Angie Warner – GIS Program Coordinator.

Others present – Joe Krolikowski Acting NRCS District Conservationist, Grand Island; Travis Hazard – JEO Consulting Group, Lincoln.

MEETING NOTICES: Chairman Kyes reported that the notices of the meeting had been sent to the news media as required by law.

MEETING MINUTES: Marvion Reichert made the motion to approve the September 24th board meeting minutes. Alicia Haussler seconded the motion. All board members present, voting by roll call vote, were in favor except Ladd Reeves and Deborah VanMatre who abstained. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

Chairman Kyes asked if there were any announcements or suggestions for future meetings. There were none.

PUBLIC FORUM: Chairman Kyes asked if anyone wanted to address the board on any item not included on the agenda. No one requested time to speak.

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION (NRCS) REPORT: Joe Krolikowski Acting NRCS District Conservationist, reported on the NRCS staffing changes in Central Platte NRD, some of which are temporary and some permanent (see enclosed).

EXCUSED ABSENCES: Chairman Kyes reported that Bob Schanou had requested to be excused from the board meeting.

Alicia Haussler made the motion to approve the absence as requested. Mick Reynolds seconded the motion. All board members present, voting by roll call vote, were in favor. Motion carried.

PROJECT POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT: Jerry Milner reported that the subcommittee (Jim Bendfeldt, Charles Maser, Jerry Milner, Marvion Reichert, Mick Reynolds, Jay Richeson) had met to discuss policy on project requests. The consensus was that when there is a request for funding assistance on a project from an individual or group that it should be submitted to staff. Staff will make an initial report to the board. If the board feels it is appropriate they will have a staff person go out and review the project and then report back to the board, with a possible recommendation. He said at this time they do not believe any policy changes were needed.

GROUNDWATER QUALITY SUBCOMMITTEE - REPORT & RECOMMENDATIONS: Chairman Kyes reported on the subcommittee's meeting held earlier that day.

Groundwater Quality Management Areas – Chairman Kyes said they discussed areas, in addition to Hall and Hamilton Counties, that may need to be moved into a higher groundwater quality phase but decided to postpone that item for now.

Set Hearing Date for Groundwater Quality Management Area Phase Changes – Chairman Kyes reviewed the action taken last month by the board to move part of Hall County and Hamilton County from a Phase 1 to a Phase 2 Water Quality Management Area. He said a public hearing is required to make that change and it is recommended that the public hearing be held the day of the December board meeting.

Marvion Reichert made the motion to hold the public hearing on the Hall and Hamilton County Water Quality Management Area phase changes at the December board meeting at 1:00 p.m. Alicia Haussler seconded the motion. All board members present, voting by roll call vote, were in favor. Motion carried.

Report Forms Date – Chairman Kyes said the Groundwater Management report forms will still be due March 31st.

SNAGGING & CLEARING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT: Mick Reynolds reported that the Snagging and Clearing Project Subcommittee met earlier that day. They will meet again next month for further discussion and possible recommendation.

NARD REPORT: Jim Bendfeldt, CPNRD's NARD board member, reported on some of the activities of the NE Association of Resources Districts including the September annual conference. He said the highlight for him was to present the Director of the Year Award to Bill Vasey. Jim also said that there have been more and more requests from groups in other states requesting information on NRDs, particularly in the area of water issues, and said NARD Executive Director Dean Edson has been involved in that effort.

COST SHARE PROGRAM: Applications – Programs Coordinator Kelly Cole reported that we have received applications for the following cost share programs: NE Soil & Water Conservation Program, Center Pivot Incentive, Cover Crop and Flow Meter (see enclosed). She said the applicants are in compliance with the District's rules and regulations, funds are available, and recommended they be approved.

Marvion Reichert made the motion to approve the cost share applications as reported. Jim Bendfeldt seconded the motion. All board members present, voting by roll call vote, were in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Marvion Reichert made the motion to approve the October financial report as presented. Alicia Haussler seconded the motion. All board members present, voting by roll call vote, were in favor. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CONCERNING ONGOING LITIGATION: Chairman Kyes said he would entertain a motion for the board to go into Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation.

Marvion Reichert made the motion to go into Executive Session at 2:19 p.m. for the purpose of discussing ongoing litigation. Jim Bendfeldt seconded the motion. All board members present, voting by roll call vote, were in favor. Motion carried.

General Manager Lyndon Vogt, Administrative Director Dianne Miller, Projects Director Jessie Mintken and GIS Image Analyst Luke Zakrzewski were asked to remain for the Executive Session.

Marvion Reichert made the motion for the board to come out of Executive Session at 2:36 p.m. Jim Bendfeldt seconded the motion. All board members present, voting by roll call vote, were in favor. Motion carried.

UPCOMING EVENTS: As listed on the agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS: Next Meeting – Scheduled for the afternoon of Thursday, November 19th, one week early due to Thanksgiving. Details to follow.

ADJOURN: Chairman Kyes adjourned the board meeting.

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Central Platte NRD Board of Directors Meeting

NRCS Staffing Changes In The Central Platte NRD

Some staffing changes are permanent, and some are only temporary.

Grand Island Field Office

- **James Huntwork** – District Conservationist,
Serving as Acting Assistant State Conservationist of Field Operations, for the Central Area.
- **Grant Linder** – Resource Conservationist,
- **Joe Krollkowski** – Water Management Specialist,
Serving as Acting District Conservationist, for the Central Platte NRD.
- **Marie Ross** – Resource Soil Scientist,
Position currently vacant, she has accepted a new position out of state.
- **Travis Mooney** – Civil Engineering Technician,
Position currently vacant, he has accepted a new Civil Engineering Technician position for the Central Area.
- **Angie Lau** – Program Assistant,
- **Marcy Johnson** – District Secretary,
Replacing Angie Lau.

Central City Field Office

- **Thomas Schleif** – Resource Conservationist,
- **Austin Baldwin** – Soil Conservation,
- **Sara Carlson** – District Secretary,

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Kearney Field Office

- **Michael Pavel** – Resource Conservationist,
- **Beth Hiatt** – Soil Conservationist,
- **Logan Miller** – Conservation Survey Aid,
- **Shelly Lippincott** – District Secretary,

Lexington Field Office

- **Teri Edeal** – Resource Conservationist,
Position currently vacant, as she has accepted a new Agronomist position that will provide service and support to the 7 Field Offices located in the Tri-Basin NRD and Central Platte NRD.
- **Janelle Taubenheim** – Soil Conservationist,
Serving as Acting Resource Conservationist, for the Lexington Field Office.
- **Kevin Gill** – Soil Conservation Technician,
- **Darrell Bliven** – Conservation Survey Aid,
- **Samantha Keith** – District Secretary,

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Cost Share
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NEBRASKA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COST SHARE PROGRAM...		\$ 25,223.40
Albert D Moeller – Hall – Underground pipeline to a pivot	\$ 4,046.25	
Brodine Cattle Company – Dawson – Underground pipeline	990.00	
David J Klingelhofer – Range Planting – 2 sites	16,907.31	
Ray Hebda Sr. – Nance – Range Seeding	507.84	
Lloyd Arends – Howard – Underground pipeline to a pivot	2,772.00	
CENTER PIVOT INCENTIVE COST SHARE PROGRAM		\$ 13,847.00
Albert D Moeller – Hall	\$ 6,347.00	
Steven & Clayton Stelk – Hall	7,500.00	
COVER CROP COST SHARE PROGRAM		\$ 500.00
Scott Brown – Dawson	\$ 500.00	
FLOW METER COST SHARE PROGRAM.....		\$ 800.00
Albert D Moeller – Hall	\$ 800.00	
Total		\$ 40,370.40