

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
December 18, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Robert Schneider, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Robert J. Bitner, District Engineer
Bruce Anderson, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Bob Foster, Area Conservationist
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Don C. Peterson, SCS Area Engineer
Melvin Kuska, Director	Gary Stine, SCS Engineer, Grand Island
Jim McLean, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co. SCS D.C.
Norman Obermier, Director	Paul Smith, Butler Co. SCS D.C.
Kenneth Regier, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs Mgr.
Max Ronne, Director	Myron Norquest, Bradshaw
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published December 9, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District Office.

Roll call was taken of the members present with Ronne, Kaiser, and Obermier arriving later in the meeting. 16 present, 1 absent.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) that the Minutes of the November 20, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by McLean. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne

SCS REPORT

Bill Gilliam, York County SCS District Conservationist, reported that the SCS. has had a good year for getting conservation on the land and that the quarterly progress report next month should reflect the progress made. Bob Foster, Area Conservationist, introduced Don Peterson, SCS Area Engineer, and Gary Stine, SCS Civil Engineer, Grand Island.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee Meeting held December 4, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

MAJOR WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) that the Board of Directors authorize the District Staff to continue the planning effort, site selection and feasibility studies for the region west of the Seward County line which includes the drainage areas of Lincoln and Beaver Creeks, and the West Fork of the Blue. Seconded by Ehlers. Discussion followed on the proposed region designated for further study. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,

White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

COMPUTER PERSONNEL

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #3) that the District Staff be authorized to hire Denis Gilbert at \$15.00 per hour on a part-time basis to assist with the computer work in the regional and site studies for the major water supply project. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

CONSULTANT PRESENTATION

Stuhr reported that the Committee directed the staff to invite Gary Lewis of Henningson, Durham & Richardson to be present at the next committee meeting to discuss possible consulting work on grants for a direct groundwater research demonstration project.

LEGISLATIVE

Stuhr reminded the Board of Directors that the NARD Legislative Workshop will be held on January 26 and 27, 1981, in Lincoln. All directors are encouraged to attend this workshop.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

McLean gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held December 11, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT TENTATIVE APPROVALS - NRD FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #4) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the four (4) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,527.46. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz  
ABSENT: Hansen

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVALS - NRD FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #5) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the seven (7) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$5,027.72. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

LAND TREATMENT TENTATIVE APPROVALS - L.B. 450 FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the four (4) L.B. 450 cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$10,509.24. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVALS - L.B. 450 FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the three (3) L.B. 450 cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$14,241.30. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

CENTRAL BUTLER WATER MANAGEMENT PROJECT - PROGRESS PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors approve the progress payment of \$4,611.75 for work completed through November, 1980, on the Central Butler Water Management Project, and that this payment be withheld until an itemized, statement satisfactory to District General Manager Turnbull, is received. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

VRBKA DAM - PROGRESS PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$1,390.40 to Greg Armstrong, Inc., for work completed on the Vrbka Dam through November, 1980. Seconded by Ehlers,

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser

ABSENT: Hansen

HASTINGS N.W. DAM - PROGRESS PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #10) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$25,746.75 to Fritzen Construction Company for work completed through November, 1980 on the Hastings Northwest Dam. Seconded by Ronne. Considerable discussion followed on the reason for the large discrepancy between the actual yardage performed and the original estimated yardage calculation for bidding purposes. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: Kuska, Obermier, Schneider

ABSENT: Hansen

PROJECT MAINTENANCE - PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #11) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$2,443.96 to Ehlers Construction Company for work completed through November, , 1980 on maintenance of District owned projects. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Regier, Ronne

ABSENT: Hansen

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - FINAL DESIGN PROGRESS PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #12) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$5,433.53 to Henningson, Durham & Richardson engineers for work

done through November, 1980, on Phase II of the final design on the School Creek Site #3 dam. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee meetings held December 11 and December 17, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### PERSONNEL SALARIES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #13) that the Board of Directors grant a 10% standard of living increase to all NRD employees effective January 1, 1981. Seconded by Peters. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Discussion followed concerning the possibility of combining the standard of living and merit increases to obtain a salary review annually instead of every six months. Kuska made the motion (Motion #14) that the Executive Committee consider the merit and standard of living increases, fringe benefits, etc. once a year in conjunction with the fiscal year budget. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### NACD SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION

Stuhr reported that the Executive Committee has established a priority system for determining which two persons would attend the NACD Convention in San Francisco. That priority system is: Priority #1 - Directors who have never attended, Priority #2 - Directors who attended in the past, and Priority #3 - Directors who attended the 1980 NACD Convention. There was a show of hands of those directors interested in attending the convention. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #15) that White and Anderson be delegates to the 1980 NACD Convention in San Francisco, California, February 1-5, 1981. Seconded by McLean. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Anderson, White

ABSENT: Hansen

#### JANUARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Executive Committee has set the January Board of Directors meeting for January 22, 1981 at which time officers will be elected and new directors will be sworn in.

#### RESIGNING DIRECTORS

Moore presented Certificates of Appreciation to Schneider, McLean, Schlueter and Kuska (outgoing directors).

#### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Stuhr reported that the Executive Committee has authorized the staff to close the office on December 26, 1980 and January 2, 1981.

#### NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #16) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors give full support to Ervin Lechner to complete his term as Natural Resources Commission member and further, that staff be directed to send a letter to Ervin Lechner expressing our support. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of November 30, 1980. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #17) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of November 30, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### FALL STATIC WATER LEVELS

Mark Nannen, Manager, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs, gave a report on the fall static water level readings from 1979 to 1980. Out of the 422 wells in the Upper Big Blue NRD, the average static water level change from fall of 1979 to fall of 1980 was -0.87 of a foot. Nannen also reported that the nitrate testing program has been completed.

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 FUNDING

Turnbull reported that Anderson, Bitner and himself met with the NE Natural Resources Commission Advisory Board for the development funding of the School Creek Project. A motion to fund the School Creek Project at a 75% grant is going to the Natural Resources Commission on December 19, 1980.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:40 a.m. White made the motion (Motion #18) that the Board of Directors go into Executive Session to discuss office space rent prices. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

At 12:25 p.m. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #19) that the Board of Directors go back into regular session. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
November 20, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer, Projects Dept.
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Dept. Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS Office
Melvin Kuska, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Hamilton Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Kenneth Regier, Director	Herman Kaiser, Bradshaw, NE.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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Roll call was taken of the member present. 14 present, 3 absent.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT PRESENTATIONS

Thomas M. Huff, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, presented the Board of Directors with Certificates of Merit in connection with the Upper Big Blue NRD winning the 1979 Goodyear Conservation Award.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) that the Minutes of the October 16, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison District Conservationist, reported that Bob Pollock, Soil Scientist in Aurora, is being transferred to Lincoln in early January. The contractor certification of land treatment practices discussed earlier will not be implemented. Griffin reported that the Aurora Chamber of Commerce may be contacting the Water Department to give a presentation at one of their meetings in the near future.

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report of the Water Committee Meeting held November 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

WELL REGISTRATION AND PERMIT QUARTERLY REPORT

White reported that as of September 30, 1980, 446 permits were issued in the Upper Big Blue NRD, 12 permits expired because of failure to drill the well within the 1 year time period allowed. This leaves 434 valid permits. Of the 434: valid permits, 316 wells are drilled and registered.

Fifty wells were registered in the third quarter of 1980 bringing the total registered to 9,947. Of those wells, 9,852 are irrigation wells, 82 are municipal wells, 11 are industrial wells and 2 are domestic wells over 100 gallons per minute.

The total number of registered wells in Nebraska through September 30, 1980, is 66,675, with the following breakdown. Irrigation wells - 65,275, Municipal wells - 1,095, Industrial wells - 289, and other - 16.

#### IRRIGATION REPORTING PROGRESS

White reported that as of November 13, 1980, 3,656 wells, or approximately 37% of the wells in the NRD had been reported by approximately 1,372 operators. The deadline for reporting is January 1, 1981.

#### FRIESEN DAM WATER RIGHTS

White reported that Howard Anderson, Farm Manager for Leota Stevens, the landowner on the upper end of the Friesen Reservoir, has indicated that they do not wish to use water from the reservoir at this time. Garry Friesen has not made any indication of his intentions as yet. The staff will inform Mr. Friesen of his options and the requirements for using water from the reservoir. If Mr. Friesen chooses to use water from the reservoir, it will be up to him to make a request.

#### BERGEN DAM WATER RIGHTS

White reported that the Bergen Estate, Marie Ratzlaff, and Leota Nunnenkamp have all requested the use of water for irrigation from the Bergen Dam. The permanent storage capacity of the Bergen Dam is 80 acre feet. White made the motion (Motion #2) that the request for the use of water from the Bergen Dam by the Bergen Estate to irrigate 27 acres, by Marie Ratzlaff to irrigate 60 acres and Leota Nunnenkamp to irrigate 18 acres be approved with the following conditions: (1) the acreages requested to be irrigated is considered to be a maximum acreage and each user must realize that climatic conditions may limit the availability of water to irrigate all of these acres and (2) if any of the water users requires access onto another landowner's property in order to pump water, they must negotiate for such directly with that landowner and the District shall not intervene in such negotiations unless such access would be detrimental to the interests of the District. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held November 13, 1-980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### VAVRA-SEMLER PROJECT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #3) that the Vavra-Semler project be considered as a redesign of an existing structure and that this project be given a priority consistent with other new projects. Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed. Hansen amended Motion #3 to make the motion (Motion #14) to strike the phrase "and that this project be given a priority consistent with other new projects" and add "that such redesign be completed by June 30, 1981." Seconded by Kuska. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider



Question called on original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #5) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the nine (9) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$10,798.01. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the one (1) L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$3,701.96. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the three (3) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,516.29. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

SCHOOL CREEK FINAL DESIGN - HDR PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that the Henningson, Durham & Richardson engineering firm be paid the amount of \$7,101.47, per their invoices 805 and 8,47, as a progress payment on Phase II of the final design for the dam at School Creek Site #3. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - LANDRIGHTS - STRUEBING DAM

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors authorize the Lower Platte North NRD, Lead Agency, for the Central Butler Water Management Project to: (1) begin the appraisal phase for land rights acquisition for the Struebing Dam, as per the Master Agreement dated March 5, 1980, (2) base the necessary appraisals on the land rights map and easements as prepared by tile Upper Big Blue NRD in November, 1980, and (3) submit the necessary appraisals to the Upper Big Blue NRD for approval prior to beginning negotiations. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

DORCHESTER WATERSHED - PL 566 PROJECT MAINTENANCE

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that maintenance work for the Dorchester Watershed PL 566 Project Channel #1 be designed and built as proposed on the Svoboda land, NW1/4 4-T8N-R3E, subject to the landowner signing an agreement to use reasonable care in farming around the proposed improvements; further, a penalty clause should be a part of the agreement. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

#### VRBKA DAM - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) that Greg Armstrong, Inc. be paid in the amount of \$5,463.25 for construction work completed in October on the Vrbka Dam in Butler County. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held November 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1980 GROUNDWATER INFORMATIONAL BOOKLET

Ehlers reported that the committee members reviewed material that is being prepared jointly by the Education and Water Departments for the purpose of updating the old NRD Groundwater Information Booklet. A student oriented booklet that will focus on water conservation and area water problems was also discussed. This would be a text, and might be incorporated into the Junior and Senior High Schools in the NRD. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #12) that the staff complete the NRD Groundwater Information Booklet and the student oriented booklet focusing on water conservation and area water problems. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

#### WILDLIFE PROJECT BRIEFING AND SLIDE PRESENTATION

Ehlers reported that Craig Treptow presented an excellent program regarding his wildlife project near Aurora. This work was completed for the final phase of his Eagle Scout rank. The NRD assisted Craig Treptow with a small study grant.

#### GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Groundwater Management Districts Association Annual Conference will be held December 7, 8, and 9, 1980 at the Holiday Inn in North Platte, Nebraska.

#### "PUBLIC ATTITUDES OF NEBRASKANS TOWARD WATER POLICY"

Ehlers reported that the results of a research project by the University of Nebraska's. Sociological Department was reviewed and discussed by the Education Committee. Generally, it was felt that the information was on target, but one or two discrepancies regarding NRD's need to be pointed out to the researchers. The staff was directed to defend this NRD's position through a letter on behalf of the Board of Directors.

#### MIT RESEARCH PROPOSAL - "OGALLALA AQUIFER AND THE HIGH PLAINS"

Ehlers reported that the Education Committee reviewed the Ogallala Aquifer and the High Plains research proposal by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #13) that the Upper Big Blue NRD

cooperate fully with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's research, should it occur in as much as this information could be invaluable to future water problems in this portion of the High Plains. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Obermier, Stuhr

ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

#### LAND TREATMENT PROGRAM

Ray Griffin, Liaison District Conservationist, commented on several items that he would like to see revised in the Land Treatment Policy. Griffin felt the amount the landowner is to pay should not be an exact percent figure. He felt the Program could be simplified by having the landowner pay a certain percent, not to exceed a reasonable dollar amount. A short discussion followed on the Land Treatment Program. The Projects Committee and Land Treatment Sub-Committee will consider the policy revisions in the future.

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning, & Legislative Committee Meeting held November 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Stuhr reported that the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee carefully reviewed proposed legislation. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #14) that the Upper Big Blue NRD support the Nebraska Association of Resources District's Groundwater Management Act amendments instead of other proposals from the Public Works Committee, until the proposed bill - Miscellaneous Amendments to the Nebraska Groundwater Management Act (REQ 2425) is further clarified. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT FY 80 AUDIT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #15) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors accept the FY 80 Audit as presented and reviewed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

#### NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION BASIN MEMBER

A letter was received from the Lower Big Blue NRD stating that Ervin Lechner was defeated for re-election as a Director for the Natural Resources District. Mr. Lechner has two years remaining on his term with the Commission, but he asks, do the two District involved want him to continue in that position or resign? He feels that to be an effective Natural Resources Commission member, he should also be an active NRD Board member. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #16) that John Turnbull, General Manager, send a letter to Mr. Lechner stating that the Upper Big Blue NRD feels Natural Resources Commission members should also be active NRD board members. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, White

ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

NACD CONVENTION

Airline fares have recently increased considerably, affecting the cost of the San Francisco NACD Convention. The convention package cost from the State Association is \$642 before fare increases. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #17) that the Upper Big Blue NRD not send anyone to the 1980 NACD Convention in San Francisco, due to the expenses involved. Seconded by Obermier. Considerable discussion followed. Anderson amended Motion #17 to make the motion (Motion #18) that the Upper Big Blue NRD send two directors and one staff to the NACD Convention in San Francisco, with all expenses paid. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kuska, Peters, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Regier, Schlueter, Moore  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

Hansen amended Motion #17 to make the motion (Motion #19) that the Upper Big Blue NRD send two people to the NACD Convention in San Francisco, with all expenses paid. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Regier  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Regier  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OFFICE SPACE

Stuhr reported that the committee was shown two potential building rentals. Written proposals were requested. No action was taken.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of October 31, 1980. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #20) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of October 31, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Ronne, Schneider, White

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
October 16, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Mgr.
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ervin Lechner, NNRC Member
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Melvin Kuska, Director	Harold Fausch, D.C., Seward Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Gary Wooten, D.C., Saline Co. SCS
Morris White, Director	Lori Potter, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published October 6, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 11 present, 6 absent.

MINUTES

Anderson made the motion (Motion #1) that the Minutes of the September 18, 1980, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: White

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison District Conservationist, reviewed the Third Quarter Progress Report as distributed. Griffin reported that the area land judging contests have been held and the State Land Judging Contest will be held in Wayne, Nebraska.

Gary Wooten, Saline County District Conservationist, gave a brief report on his background and current activities in Saline County.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held October 6, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #2) that the Board of Directors give tentative approval to the nine NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$16,419.69. Seconded by Anderson. A lengthy discussion was held on obtaining ACP funding for several of the applications as funds had become available after application had been made. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, White, Moore

NAY: Stuhr

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #3) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and, reviewed in the amount of \$5,761.73. Seconded by Kuska. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #4) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one NRD funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$336.56. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #5) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the three L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$12,743.83. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

VRBKA DAM - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) that Greg Armstrong, Inc. be paid in the amount of \$5,226.15 for construction work completed in September. Seconded by Anderson. 37% of the work has been completed on the Vrbka Dam. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

HASTINGS N.W. - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) that Fritzen Construction Company be paid in the amount of \$8,615.00 for construction work completed in September. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

UN-L ARCHAEOLOGICAL PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$894.00 to the UN-L for the Evaluation of Cultural Resources in the Proposed School Creek Watershed Area (Site #3). Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

SCS INSPECTION REQUIREMENT

To increase the time that field personnel have to make follow-up contacts oil

conservation planning, time laying out higher quality work during heavy workload periods, and providing conservation assistance to all cooperators, the Area VI SCS Office is proposing contractor certification on waterways and terraces. The contractor would certify that he has built the practices in accordance with the layout which will be done by the SCS. The County SCS Offices would be required to spot check 10% of the contractor certifications or a minimum of four jobs per year for each contractor. Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors adopt the policy that contractor certification not be allowed on any construction of land treatment practices. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: Kaiser

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Special Projects Committee Meeting held September 29, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### MINUTES

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that the Minutes of the September 29, 1980, Special Projects Committee Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held October 7, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LATE PERMITS

White reported that the Committee met with Leon Eller of Shelby and Gaylen Hanquist of Hordville, to discuss the need for the late permit. White made the motion (Motion #11) that the Board of Directors find Leon Eller and Gaylen Hanquist to have acted in good faith and that their applications for late permits be submitted to the Department of Water Resources for approval upon receipt of the \$275.00 fee from each. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT AURORA RECORDER WELL

White reported that the new Aurora recorder well was drilled on September 23, 1980, by Henderson Irrigation under the supervision of Gerald Svoboda of the Conservation and Survey Division of the University of Nebraska. White made the motion (Motion #12) that Henderson Irrigation be paid in the amount of \$1,110.00 as payment in full for the drilling of the Aurora recorder well drilled in the NE1/4 of Section 27, Township 10N, Range 6 West, in Hamilton County, Nebraska. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### CONTROL AREA POLICIES

White made the motion (Motion #13) that allocation be based on lands under the

control of one groundwater user which are adjoining by a common boundary or corner. Seconded by Burke. Considerable discussion followed. Ehlers amended Motion #13 to make the motion (Motion #14) to strike the phrase "which are adjoining by a common boundary or corner". Amendment seconded by Obermier. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Ehlers, Hegeholz, Peters, Stuhr  
NAY: Burke, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, White, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Anderson  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

Question called on original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, White  
NAY: Ehlers, Stuhr, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Peters  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### FRIESEN-BERGEN WATER RIGHTS

White made the motion (Motion #15) that the \$500 fee from Marie Ratzlaff and Leota Nunnenkamp for Bergen Dam water rights be waived, but that they be required to pay the \$50 State application fee if they desire to utilize water from the reservoir. Further, that the following order of priority be utilized when the Water Committee reviews the requests for water appropriation from the Bergen Reservoir: (1) Bergen Estate, (2) Marie Ratzlaff, and (3) Leota Nunnenkamp. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Obermier, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held October 9, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NEW HABITAT CONTRACTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #16) that the Board of Directors accept the new applications as contracts under the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program which include a total of 152.2 acres and annual payments of \$2,108.50. Further, that the Board accept the Wayne Garrison contract provided he is willing to do some native grass seeding in his area. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Peters  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### OCTOBER WILDLIFE HABITAT ANNUAL PAYMENTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #17) to make annual payments on the October Wildlife Habitat Contracts for a total of 122.5 acres in the amount of \$1,708.75. Seconded by Kuska. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### NOVEMBER WILDLIFE HABITAT ANNUAL PAYMENTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #18) to make annual payments on the November Wildlife Habitat contracts for a total of 110 acres in the amount of \$1,815.00. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.



AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters,  
Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### FY 1981 TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #19) that the FY 1981 Tree Planting Program be administered as it was in FY 1980 with the following charges: tree - 19~, planting 20~, Spraying - 6~ (total 45~ per tree). There will be a minimum of 150 trees per each planting order. 'Seconded by Kuska. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier,  
Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held October 7, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WATER DEPARTMENT VEHICLE

Bids were opened on October 7, 1980, for a new vehicle for the Water Department. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #20) that the low bid of \$6,767.00 from Moses Ford Mercury for a 1981 1/2-ton pickup, as specified, be accepted. Also, that the 1969 Chevrolet Carryall not be traded in, but retained as a spare vehicle for the District. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier,  
Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT DIRECTORS' THIRD QUARTER PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #21) that the Third Quarter Directors' Per Diem of \$2,145.00 and expenses of \$1,610.75 be approved for payment. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier,  
Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

#### COMPUTER USE

Stuhr reported that for the six months ending July 31, 1980, 212.8 hours were logged on the computer which averages out to about 35 hours per month. Fifty-four percent of the time was charged to the Projects Department, 43% to the Water Department, and the balance to the rest of the operation. In addition to the creation and editing of the computer files, 1,335 jobs were run. The costs to date total \$9,600.00. \$6,470.00 was for equipment lease and phone line, and \$3,130.00 was for computer time.

#### NRD BUILDING PLANS

A brief discussion was held on the possibility and costs of expanding the NRD office space.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of September 30, 1980. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #22) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of September 30, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Kuska. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier,  
Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS NACD CONVENTION

The National Association of Conservation Districts' Annual Convention will be held February 1-5, 1981, in San Francisco, California. Prices for the convention were discussed. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #22) that the Executive Committee be given the authority to make the final plans for the NACD Convention February 1-5, 1981, in San Francisco, California. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier,  
Peters, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider

NNRC REPORT

Ervin Lechner, NNRC member, gave a report on the current Nebraska Natural Resources Commission activities. Lechner suggested that the Legislative Report written by Dave Aiken, Water Law Specialist, UN-L, be distributed to the Board of Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
September 18, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Projects Dept. Mgr.
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Stan Staab, Public Information Dept. Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Dept. Mgr.
Wayne Hansen, Director	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Frank Hejna, Engineering Technician
Melvin Kuska, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Jim McLean, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Norman Obermier, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Max Ronne, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published September 9, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present, with Hegeholz, Kuska, and Stuhr arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Hansen made the motion (Motion #1) that the Minutes of the August 21, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz, Kuska, Regier, Schneider, Stuhr, White

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of August 31, 1980. Ronne made the motion (Motion #2) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of August 31, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, Stuhr, White

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison District Conservationist, gave the SCS report. Griffin announced that Glen Buchta, Area Engineer, has retired. Don Peterson, Project Engineer at Beatrice, has been selected to fill the vacancy. Darryl Strong, Hamilton County SCS Technician has also retired. Maurice Medaris, NRD Technician in Hamilton County SCS Office, will be retiring effective October 4, 1980, and has accepted Darryl Strong's position. The new State Conservationist, Gene Sullivan, assumed his position this month. The Hamilton County SCS Office is involved with a cadmium lead study in their area. This is a nation-wide study with two counties in Nebraska participating.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Kuska gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held September 4, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CITY OF AURORA LATE PERMIT

Kuska reported that the Committee met with representatives of Aurora and discussed the need for the late well permit. The Water Committee reaffirmed its position that the City of Aurora be required to obtain a late permit as required by L.B. 643.

#### STORAGE PERMITS AND STORAGE USE PERMITS POLICY

Kuska reviewed in detail the draft water use policy from District controlled reservoirs. Kuska made the motion (Motion #3) that the draft water use policy from District controlled reservoirs be approved by the Board of Directors. Seconded by Burke. A lengthy discussion was held on the draft policy. Question called. Motion carried. (Water use policy is attached)

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Schlueter  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

#### CONTROL AREA POLICIES

Kuska reported that the Water Committee reviewed the outcome of the survey of the directors on the control area policies which the Committee has been discussing for the past several months. The Committee instructed staff to discuss the policy's alternatives with legal council to determine what, if any, changes may be necessary in the Control Area Rules and Regulations.

#### WELL PERMIT VIOLATION

The Department of Water Resources has informed the staff that a well has been drilled prior to the landowner obtaining the required permit. The Water Committee instructed staff to inform the individual of the requirements for obtaining a late permit.

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Peters gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held September 9, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### OUTDOOR ENCOUNTER GRANTS

The Nebraska outdoor Encounter offers workshops and practicum to professional educators within the NRD. A weekend of backpacking and canoeing expedition on the Missouri River is being offered in Mid-October. These outdoor experiences are designed to improve the participant's self concept, promote group building and increase environmental awareness. Peters made the motion (Motion #4) that the District fund five grants at \$75 each (\$375 total) to provide further teacher involvement in the Nebraska Outdoor Encounter. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Obermier, Peters, Moore  
NAY: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Schlueter, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

#### TEACHER WORKSHOP, CAMP NEWMAN, LOUISVILLE

The Nebraska Department of Environmental Control and the U.S. Forest Service are sponsoring a mini workshop on October 3-6. Participants will become involved in field investigations related to animal habitat, plant associations, soil and water quality, and urban classification activities. Peters made the motion (Motion #5) that a grant of \$25 each be awarded to five teachers (\$125 total) to attend the Teacher Environmental Workshop on October 3-6 in Camp Newman in Louisville. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion

carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: Ronne  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, McLean  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF RESOURCES DISTRICTS GRASSLAND CONSERVATION AWARD

The Association's Native Vegetation and Forestry Committee is establishing this awards program. Nominations will receive some kind of recognition at the District level, and the winner then would become eligible for the State Award. The Upper Big Blue NRD should begin the search for a worthy nominee.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

McLean gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held September 15, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the seven NRD funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$8,476.63. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier,  
Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #7) to grant tentative approval to the six L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$22,994.79. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier,  
Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

LAND TREATMENT FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS McLean made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the three L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$7,853.31. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier,  
Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

TEEGERSTROM DAM

McLean made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors grant the Projects Committee authority to award contract on the Teegerstrom Dam on September 29, 1980, at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier,  
Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #10) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$1,685.04 for construction work on drainage ditches, soils analysis - Struebing Dam, and surveying - Struebing Dam. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier,

Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

GENERAL PROJECT MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #11) that Ehlers Construction be paid \$170.32 for project maintenance work completed in August, 1980. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

HASTINGS N.W. PROJECT PROGRESS PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #12) that Fritzen Construction Company be paid in the amount of \$19,371.30 for construction work completed in August, 1980. Seconded by Ehlers. Receipt of final quantities from the SCS Area Engineer has been delayed until October; therefore, final payment should be made in October. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

L.B. 450 PROGRAM APPROVED PRACTICES

McLean made the motion (Motion #13) that WC-1 - Terraces, WC-2 - Terrace Outlets, WC-3 - Water Impoundment Dam, WC-4 - Grade Stabilization Structures, and WC-5 Irrigation Reuse Pits be approved as the current list of cost-share practices for the L.B. 450 Program. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

SCHOOL CREEK WATERSHED DAM SITE #3

McLean made the motion (Motion #14) that the Board of Directors adopt the resolution/agreement between Clay County and the Upper Big Blue NRD which states: WHEREAS, the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District, hereinafter referred to as District, plans to construct a water impoundment structure which will back and impound water upon parts of Sections 14, 16, 22, 23, 26, and 27, Township 8 North, Range 5 West of Clay County, Nebraska, and WHEREAS, the Clay County Board of Supervisors, hereinafter referred to as County, is responsible for township and county road maintenance, and WHEREAS, the proposed water impoundment will require: (1) Abandonment of one bridge, structure 01020 known as site 3 located between the SW1/4 of Section 23, Township 8 North, Range 5 West and the NW1/4 of Section 26, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, (2) Repair of existing bridge, structure 01015 known as site 1 between the SE1/4 of Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 5 West and the NE1/4 of Section 27, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, (3) Replacement of existing bridge, structure 24510 known as site 2, with concrete box culvert, between the NE1/4 of Section 27, Township 8 North, Range 5 West and the NW1/4 of Section 26, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, (4) Replacement of existing bridge, structure 00193 known as site 5, with concrete box culvert, between the SW1/4 of Section 14, Township 8 North, Range 5 West and the NW1/4 of Section 23, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the District and County agree as follows: (1) The County will contribute \$35,000 plus 20 percent of cost overruns or be credited for 20 percent of cost underruns as their share in the construction of box culverts at sites 2 and 5, (2) Upon receipt of certificate of construction completion the District will contribute \$150,360 plus 80 percent of cost overruns or be credited for

80 percent of cost underruns as their share in the construction of box culverts at sites 2 and 5, (3) The County will repair the existing bridge at site 1, (4) The District will provide structural design, surveying, detailed plans, and specifications for bridge replacement at sites 2 and 5, (5) The County will advertise for bids and administer construction contracts for replacement of bridges at sites 2 and 5, (6) The District and County will provide construction as required, (7) The County will assume operation and maintenance of all township and county roads and bridges affected by this water impoundment structure, (8) The District will file with the County the request to close the bridge at site 3, (9) The District will obtain all necessary landrights and easements at sites 1, 2, and 5, and (10) The District and County agree that if the decision to construct the water impoundment structure, known as School Creek Site #3 is not effective by September 1, 1985, this resolution is null and void. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

#### SCHOOL CREEK WATERSHED DATE SITE #3

McLean made the motion (Motion #15) that the Board of Directors adopt the Resolution #80-2 for School Creek Dam Site #3 which states: WHEREAS, the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District, hereinafter referred to as District, initiated a study in the School Creek Watershed in 1977, and a thorough review of that study in 1980, and, WHEREAS, the resulting review made recommendations for water impoundment, sediment and flood damage reduction, groundwater recharge, recreation, and wildlife enhancement, and, WHEREAS, the District has authority under 2-3201 through 2- 3259, Nebraska Statutes, to construct, operate and maintain projects providing the above objectives, and has authority to levy taxes to finance the District's share of the project costs, WHEREAS, funds are not available, other than limited monies from Clay County, Nebraska, for the major portion of the project, NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District, that a \$737,749 grant be requested from the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission for School Creek Site #3. Seconded by Kuska. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier, Schneider, White

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee Meeting held September 16, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### INTERIM CONTROL AREA "PROPOSAL"

The Twin Platte NRD has requested that the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts consider an interim control area proposal at the September 22-23, 1980 Annual Conference. This interim control area would allow a NRD to designate an interim control area at the time a hearing, by the Director of the Department of Water Resources, is requested. The hearing would then be delayed for up to a maximum of five years while the NRD assembled data to present during the hearing. All control area authority, including funding, could be utilized by the Natural Resources District in an interim control area. The Director of the Department of Water Resources would have no authority over the interim control area. The public could request an election to consider removal of the interim control area by filing a petition containing the signatures of 25% of the registered voters from within the area affected. The purpose of this interim control area would be to prevent irreversible declines or other adverse effects of groundwater while data is being assembled and studies are in progress. Stuhr made the motion (Motion

#16) that the Board of Directors support the interim control area proposal submitted by the Twin Platte NRD to the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts at the NARD Annual Conference September 22-23, 1980. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: McLean, Peters

ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, Regier, Schneider, White

#### SCS COMPLIANCE CHECK POLICY

Stuhr reported that the District had been informed on September 16, 1980, that the SCS Southeastern Area (15 counties including Butler County) will change its policy on October 1, 1980, for a period of one year. The new policy will no longer require the SCS to conduct compliance checks for conventional terraces and waterways. Compliance checks are the onsite inspection and acceptance of the contractor's work. Instead, the SCS will ask the contractors to certify their own work and the SCS will sign the practice off without a field inspection. However, 5% of the total work done will be spot checked. This policy will affect the L.B. 450 applications and the District's land treatment program. No written notification has been received from the Area Office, although the policy change appears to be a result of manpower reductions and mileage restrictions. The danger lies in reducing the quality of workthrough such a policy. The District has been informed that a resolution opposing such policy change will be introduced at the NARD Conference on September 22-23, 1980. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #17) that the Board of Directors go on record as opposing the concept of reducing or eliminating compliance checks by the SCS on conventional terraces and waterways. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Kaiser

ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, Regier, Schneider, White

#### LONG RANGE PLAN

Stuhr reported that it is required by State Law to update and submit by October 1 of each year the Long Range Plan for the District. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #18) that the Board of Directors adopt the FY 81-85 Long Range Plan as presented. Seconded by Burke. Turnbull reviewed the Summary of the FY 81-85 Long Range Plan. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, McLean, Obermier

ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, Regier, Schneider, White

#### LEGISLATIVE REVENUE COMMITTEE HEARING

Stuhr reported that a Revenue Committee hearing will be held on September 19, 1980, in Lincoln to hear testimony on the 7% lid now in effect. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #19) that the General Manager be directed to appear and testify before the Legislature's Revenue Committee on the Long Range Plan and the projected results of the 7% lid restriction. Seconded by Burke. Considerable debate followed on whether the 7% lid restriction should apply to NRDs. It was felt that the Long Range Plan indicated that the 7% lid should be removed. Ehlers amended Motion #19 to make the motion (Motion #20) that the last line of the Long Range Plan be revised to read "Or, is water storage important enough to the long term economic basis to warrant in resources development fund levels or increased state aid from taxes other than property taxes?" Amendment seconded by Peters. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters,



Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, Regier, Schneider, White

Question called on original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: McLean  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, Regier, Schneider, white

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held September 15, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #21) that the District purchase one drafting table and one three drawer map file in the amount of \$2,549.70. Further, that the copier sorter be traded in, reducing the amount of the equipment to \$1,549.70. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, Regier, Schneider, White

#### OFFICE SPACE

Kaiser reported on the need for additional office space for the NRD headquarters. Two possible floor plans are being considered, one as an addition to the existing building and the other, a new building. It is estimated that about 6,000 square feet of space is needed, which would include a Board Meeting room. The District currently has about 2,200 square feet of space plus it's monthly rental of the 4-H Building for major meetings. A cost estimate of adding to the existing facilities has been requested. Once available, it will be presented to the York County Board. If that board agrees, an addition is then possible. If not, other rental space is necessary. The proposed floor plans are available for review at the office.

Meeting adjourned at 11:28 p.m.

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Lowell Peters Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
August 21, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Projects Dept Mgr.
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Public Information Dept. Mgr.
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Anita Hall, Assistant Secretary
Melvin Kuska, Director	Paul D. Smith, D.C., Butler Co. SCS
Jim McLean, Director	Jim Miller, Technician, Butler Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	David Brand, D.,C., Polk Co. SCS
Kenneth Regier, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assoc. of GWCDs
Max Ronne, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Leonard Schlueter, Director	
Robert Schneider, Director	
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published August 8, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present, with McLean arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (motion #1) that the Minutes of the July 17, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore.  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hansen  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz, McLean

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of July 31, 1980. Burke made the motion (Motion #2) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of July 31, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore.  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz, McLean

SCS REPORT

Paul Smith D.C., Butler County SCS gave the SCS report. Smith announced that Jim Hendricks had left the Service and that Eldon Gilliland, Technician for Butler County SCS, will be retiring effective August 22, 1980. Smith reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding between the Soil Conservation Service and the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District. The areas of responsibility for the SCS and NRD, working together and as separate agencies were discussed.

BUDGET, PLANNING the LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning the Legislative Committee meeting held August 12, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FY 81 BUDGET

Stuhr made the motion (motion #3) to adopt the FY 81 Budget as proposed in the Budget Hearing. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: McLean, Regier

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

AUTHORIZATION TO SET FINAL MILL LEVIES

Stuhr made the Motion (Motion #4) that the Board Secretary, Lowell Peters, be authorized to set the final mill levies, if necessary, upon receipt of the final valuations. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #5) that \$54,624 be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the General Fund in the FY 81 Budget. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

HASTINGS N.W. FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT LOAN

Turnbull reviewed the cash flow calculations on the Hastings N.W. Flood Control Project. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #6) that Resolution #1-80 which states: WHEREAS, the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District is the Lead Agency in the Hastings Northwest Flood Control Project and is responsible for construction of the same, WHEREAS, the Project is under construction and the contractor must be paid, WHEREAS, funds from the other project sponsors, the City of Hastings (\$49,875), Adams County (\$6,000), and the Little Blue Natural Resources District (\$51,120) will not be available for about sixty to ninety days after receipt of contractor's statement, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District's Board of Directors that (1) The District Treasurer and staff be granted authority to arrange interim financing, (2) The interim financing be a promissory note through the First National Bank of York, Nebraska, for the amount of \$106,995 at an interest rate of 7% per annum, and such note be paid off upon receipt of funds from the other sponsors, (3) The amount of the interest incurred be charged to the project sponsors as per the administrative agreement dated June 28, 1977, and the amendment dated February 28, 1978 be approved by the Board of Directors of the Upper Big Blue NRD on August 21, 1980. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

BUDGET, PLANNING the LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Stuhr informed the Board that Robert Schneider has resigned as Chairman of the Budget, Planning the Legislative Committee. Roy Stuhr has been appointed as Chairman of the Committee and Raymond Burke has been appointed Vice-Chairman.

PARKS, FORESTRY the WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kuska gave a report on the Parks, Forestry the Wildlife Committee Meeting held July 31, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3

Kuska reported that the Projects Committee met jointly with the Parks, Forestry the Wildlife Committee to review the School Creek Site #3 Project concerning the cost of replacing the bridges, the archaeological findings of Ed Brodnicki and the possibility of getting funds for the recreation development. Brodnicki stated in a letter that he did not find anything archaeologically that would stop the project, but the old buildings on this site would have to be documented. Del Whiteley, Game and Parks Commission, said there are a number of organizations requesting funds for projects and he could not promise us that there would be funds available.

WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #7) that the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program payments for September be made to the cooperators as reviewed in the amount of \$3,843.50 for a total of 300.4 acres. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: McLean  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz, Schneider

NATIVE GRASS SEED REIMBURSEMENT

Kuska made the motion (Motion #8) that Alvin Keller be reimbursed \$55.26 for the native grass seed planted in his wildlife area. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: McLean  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz, Schneider

McCOOL JUNCTION PARK SITE I

Discussion was held concerning developing an NRD park near McCool Junction and the funding possibilities available. Kuska made the motion (Motion #9) that the staff continue research and check on the possibility of funding through the Game and Parks Commission and the Water Conservation Fund for the McCool Junction Park Site R. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Schneider  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held August 12, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LATE PERMITS

The Committee met with three of the six well owners needing late permits to discuss their situations and explain to them the need for getting a late permit for their wells. The other three well owners had conflicts and were not able to attend, however staff had spoken with these individuals and it was apparent that they were acting in good faith in this matter and recommended favorable action on their late permit applications. White made the motion (motion #10) that late permits for Eugene Nunnenkamp, Mark Springer, Ronald

Obermeier, Lloyd Widga, City of Aurora and the Village of Benedict be recommended to the Department of Water Resources for approval upon receipt of the \$275 fee from each. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

WATER PLANNING CONCERNING POTENTIAL LARGE WATER STORAGE PROJECTS

The Water Committee, recognizing that the reorganization of the district committee structure has caused some confusion as to where the responsibility of the planning effort for future large water storage and irrigation projects should lie. The Water Committee recommends to the Budget, Planning, and Legislative Committee that they proceed with the planning effort necessary to carry out the study of possible trans-basin diversion as acted upon by the Board of Directors on May 6, 1974.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

McLean gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held August 11, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #11) to grant tentative approval to the ten land treatment applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$9,187.98. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #12) to grant tentative approval to the one L.B. 450 land treatment application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$4,168.57. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #13) to grant final approval to the two land treatment applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$2,052.23. Seconded by Kuska. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

TEEGERSTROM FLOOD CONTROL & IRRIGATION DAM

McLean made the motion (Motion #14) that the Projects Department proceed with advertisement for bids on the proposed Teegerstrom Dam as requested by Richard Teegerstrom. Seconded by Obermier. This project will be funded with L.B. 450 funds.- Mr. Teegerstrom will pay the balance and operate and maintain the structure after it is built. The NRD will obtain easements, let bids and oversee construction. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hansen

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

#### HASTINGS N.W. PROJECT PROGRESS PAYMENT

McLean made the motion (Motion #15) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$94,327.93 to Fritzen Construction Company for work done in July on the Hastings Northwest Flood Control Project. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

#### VRBKA DAM

McLean made the motion (Motion #16) that the low bid of \$14,248.63 from Greg Armstrong, Inc. be accepted on the Vrbka Dam, Alternate B, for flood control. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Burke, Stuhr

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

#### NARD VOTING DELEGATES

The Nebraska Association of Resources Districts' Annual Conference is September 22-23, 1980, in Kearney, Nebraska. One voting delegate and one alternate delegate must be elected to cast the five votes for our district at the business sessions. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #17) that Chairman Larry Moore be designated as voting delegate and Director Morris White be designated as alternate voting delegate for the NARD conference. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Moore, White

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

#### NARD RESOLUTIONS

Turnbull reviewed and the Board discussed the six Resolutions that will be considered at the NARD Annual Conference in September.

#### RESOLUTION 80-1 REGARDING RECLAMATION OF SAND & GRAVEL MINING AREAS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #18) to support Resolution 80-1 regarding reclamation of sand and gravel mining areas. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ronne, Schneider

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

#### RESOLUTION 80-2 REGARDING BACKFLOW DEVICES FOR GROUNDWATER IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #19) to not support Resolution 80-2 regarding backflow devices for groundwater irrigation systems. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: McLean, Obermier, Schlueter

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

#### RESOLUTION 80-3 REGARDING DISTRICT COURT AWARDS REGARDING LAND RIGHTS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #20) to not support Resolution 80-3 regarding district court awards regarding land rights. Seconded by Hansen. Question

called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

RESOLUTION 80-4 REGARDING NRD ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #21) to support Resolution 80-4 regarding Natural Resources District Administration Offices. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: McLean, Schneider  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

RESOLUTION 80-5 REGARDING PROPOSED POLICY CHANGE TO THE USDA AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM ON INTERPRETATION OF "LAND CURRENTLY UNDER IRRIGATION".

Burke made the motion (Motion #22) to support Resolution 80-5 regarding proposed policy change to the USDA Agricultural Conservation Program on interpretation of "land currently under irrigation". Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

RESOLUTION 80-6 REGARDING THE HIGH PLAINS STUDY COUNCIL

Burke made the motion (Motion #23) to support Resolution 80-6 regarding the High Plains Study Council. Seconded by White. In order for this resolution to be considered at the conference, the Policy Book states "... the introducer must receive a second and a vote of 2/3 of all votes which may be cast at the annual conference." Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

AMENDED RESOLUTIONS

Kuska made the motion (Motion #24) that if any resolution is amended at the conference the delegates have the authority to call a caucus of the directors present at the conference to take a vote on whether to support the amended resolution or not. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne, White, Moore  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz

NEW VEHICLE BIDS

The Water Department has budgeted for a new vehicle to replace the 1969 Chevrolet Carryall. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #25) that the staff be allowed to take bids on a new vehicle for the Water Department and report to the Water Committee those bids received. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz, Obermier

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary



MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
July 17, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

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Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Projects Dept. Mgr.
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Public Information Dept. Mgr.
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Department Manager
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Linda Sjuts, Administrative Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Joan Lovelace, Assistant Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Bill Gilliam, D.C., York Co. SCS, York
Melvin Kuska, Director	David Brand, D.C., Polk Co. SCS, Osceola
Jim McLean, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assoc. of GWCD's, York
Norman Obermier, Director	Keith Niemann, York County Extension Agent
Kenneth Regier, Director	Joe Aalborg, Aurora
Max Ronne, Director	Mrs. Ken Regier, Aurora
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times, York
Robert Schneider, Director	
Morris white, Director	

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Roll call was taken of the members present, with Schneider arriving later in the meeting.

IRRIGATION PUMPING PLANT EFFICIENCY DEMONSTRATION

Keith Niemann, York County Extension Agent, announced that a Irrigation Pumping Plant Efficiency Demonstration will be held on July 18, 1980 at the Darrell Gocke farm north of Waco and at Eugene Bergen's farm west of McCool Junction. The Demonstrations are sponsored by the York Co. Groundwater Conservation District, the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District, the York County Rural Public Power District, and the York County Cooperative Extension Service. Everyone is invited.

BOARD DECISION ON PUBLIC HEARING

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #1) to not grant a variance in the McBride vs. District well spacing alleged violation case and open it for discussion. Seconded by Anderson. Board discussion followed. White amended motion #1 to make the motion (Motion #2) that James W. McBride of 1720 Beechwood Drive, Aurora, Nebraska cease and desist from the use of his irrigation well identified by well registration number G-63652 located in the Northeast quarter (NE1/4) of the Southwest quarter (SW1/4) of Section thirty-four (34), Township eleven (11) North, Range six (6) West, Hamilton County, Nebraska effective July 25, 1980. Further, that EITHER said well be properly abandoned in accordance with the State of Nebraska Department of Water Resources' Rules for Abandonment of Water Wells. Mr. McBride shall provide notice of the proper abandonment of said well by September 1, 1980, OR Mr. McBride re-equip the well with a different pump capable of a maximum capacity of 99 gallons per minute. Mr. McBride shall provide notice and proof that such well has been re-equipped by September 1 1980. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,

Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Peters, Regier  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Peters, Regier  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

#### MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #3) that the Minutes of the June 19, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters,  
Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, McLean, Regier  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of June 30, 1980. Turnbull also reviewed the year-end Consolidated Budget Report of the General, Sinking and Water Control funds, Ehlers made the motion (Motion #4) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of June 30, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

#### SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora, reported that the State Soil Conservation Service office has conducted a Program Appraisal in Seward and Fillmore counties recently. Griffin also reported that Bill Gilliam, D.C., York Co. SCS office was appointed as a member of the State Equal Opportunity Committee. Hamilton County was recently toured by people from the University of Nebraska. The second quarter progress report was distributed.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held July 8, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 2ND QUARTER PER DIEM the EXPENSES

Kaiser made the motion (motion #5) that the 2nd quarter per them of \$2,370 and expenses of \$1,495.03 be approved. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

#### INSURANCE

Turnbull reviewed quotes received from Hylton-Finn Insurance of York with International Surplus Lines for the District's errors and omissions policy. The District's current policy expires July 21, 1980. Board discussion

followed. Kuska made the motion (Motion #6) that the Executive Committee act on the errors and omissions insurance. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held July 8, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CURTIS HOFFMAN WELL

White made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors recognize that Section 46-657(3) R.R.S. 1943, (1978 Cum. sup.) of the Nebraska Statutes, and the District's Control Area Rules and Regulations, Rule 1 (1.15) both say in part that "A series of wells developed and pumped as a single unit shall be considered as one well." Therefore, the Board finds that Curtis Hoffman acted properly and in good faith by obtaining one permit (UBB-1-152) and that Mr. Hoffman's well (series of two) is not in violation of the permit provisions of the Groundwater Management Act and furthermore, that this become District policy for future cases with similar circumstances. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Obermier  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

#### LATE PERMITS

White reported that the committee reviewed a list of the wells which will probably be considered for late permits in August, 1980. The committee will require each of these well owners to meet with them to discuss his situation. The staff has been directed to publish news releases concerning the proper abandonment of wells.

#### KAUFMAN AND LEWIS REPLACEMENT WELL

White made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors rule that the Kaufman and Lewis well did not exceed the capacity of the old well and therefore no permit was required. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Schneider

#### IRRIGATION APPROPRIATION FROM DISTRICT RESERVOIRS

White made the motion (Motion #9) that the district policy for irrigation from road structures which states "If the landowners wish to use water for irrigation purposes, a one time fee of \$500 is requested to cover the administrative costs of obtaining the necessary storage and use permits from the Department of Water Resources" be rescinded and that the following policy be adopted. The District will hold in its name the storage permits and storage use permits for all structures which the District operates and/or maintains. Upon request by a landowner, the District will consider on a case by case basis whether or not a storage use permit to be used by the landowner should be obtained. If such request is approved, the landowner shall pay the District for all fees required in obtaining the permits from the State of Nebraska and shall also pay a fee of \$100 for preparation of the necessary maps and forms.

Seconded by Burke. The staff feels that current policy regarding fees for irrigation from road structures is very difficult to administer when multiple landowners are involved. After considerable discussion from the Board, motion (Motion #9) was withdrawn and issue was sent back to the Water Committee for further consideration.

#### CONTROL AREA POLICIES

White reported that each director received a questionnaire concerning the use of groundwater. This information will be used to help the Committee make some decisions on control area policies in the future.

#### WATER APPROPRIATION PERMIT MAPS

White made the motion (Motion #10) that effective July 1, 1980, the District's fee for preparation of plat maps for water appropriation permits shall be raised from \$25 to \$40 for each map. Seconded by Obermier. This increase in fee is a result of inflation in supply coat and also the amount of time required to prepare the map. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Education Committee meeting held July 14, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1980 CONSERVATION FARM AWARDS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #11) that the Greenslit Trust Farm in Butler County and the Carl Rathje Farm in York County be approved as originally nominated. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schneider, Moore

ABSENT: Hansen

#### 1980 GOODYEAR CONSERVATION AWARD

The Upper Big Blue NRD was recently selected as the outstanding conservation district in Nebraska. The NRD will be honored at the annual meeting of Nebraska Association of Resources Districts and the annual NACD convention in San Francisco. The District may choose two representatives to receive an all expense paid vacation study tour to the Wigwam Resort and Goodyear Farms at Litchfield Park, Arizona on December 12-15, 1980. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #12) that two board members he designated to represent the NRD on the Arizona trip. Selection to be made by determining those interested and drawing two names at random. Seconded by Ronne. Kuska amended motion #12 to make the motion (Motion #13) that the Education Committee select a selection committee to solicit all directors who are interested in attending the Arizona trip and determine according to merit of each director according to longevity on the board, contribution to the board, etc. who attends the convention in Arizona. Seconded by Anderson. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kuska, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore

NAY: Ehlers, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne

ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Stuhr

ABSENT: Hansen

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White

NAY: Anderson  
ABSTAIN: Kuska, Moore  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### 1980 NEBRASKA IRRIGATION TOUR

Ehlers reported that the Nebraska Water Conference Council and the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, will hold an irrigation tour on August 13-14, 1980 and will feature two contrasting irrigated areas. one area is around Holdrege where groundwater levels have risen and the other area is the Grant-Imperial area where water levels are declining.

#### VTR NEWSLETTER

Ehlers reported that the 4th NARD video newsletter was viewed jointly by the Education Committee and the Projects Committee.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held July 14, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #14) to grant tentative approval to the six land treatment applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,830.30. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #15) to grant tentative approval to the two land treatment applications for L.B. 450 funds as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$8,750.40. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #16) to grant final approval to the six land treatment practices as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$7,103.38. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #17) to grant final approval to the one land treatment practice as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,752.98. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### TEEGERSTROM DAM

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #18) that the engineering firm of Brady the

Associates be hired for a fee not to exceed \$1,570 to provide surveying assistance for this project, if the same service is not available from the SCS, with the understanding that all surveying will be completed no later than August 1, 1980. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### HASTINGS N.W. FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #19) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$70,364.75 to Fritzen Construction Company for work done in June, 1980, on the Hastings N.W. Flood Control Project. Seconded by Anderson. Board discussion followed on the possibility of financing the remaining costs of the Hastings N.W. Project. Anderson amended motion #19 to make the motion (motion #20) that the NRD borrow the cooperating agencies' share of future costs incurred in the Hastings N.W. Flood Control Project and further that the cooperating agencies pay for any interest charges accrued. Seconded by Kuska. Amended motion was out of order so was therefore withdrawn. Question called on original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schneider

ABSENT: Hansen

Anderson made the motion (Motion #21) that the NRD borrow the cooperating agencies' share of future costs incurred in the Hastings N.W. Flood Control Project and further that the cooperating agencies pay for any interest charges accrued. Seconded by Kuska. Suggestion was made that the constituents be notified that the interest charges on the borrowed money will be prorated according to the percentage that they are originally funding and give them the option to prepay their share. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr

NAY: McLean, Peters, Regier, White, Moore

ABSTAIN: Burke, Ronne

ABSENT: Hansen

#### PROJECT PRIORITY RATING REVISION

Hegeholz reported that the Blue Bluffs Project has been moved from priority number 7 to priority number 14 and that all other projects with priority numbers 8 through 13 have been moved up one priority number.

#### FIVE YEAR CONSTRUCTION PLAN

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #22) that the Board of Directors adopt the proposed five-year construction plan as follows: FY 81 - Vrbka Dam, Hastings N.W. Dam, Teegerstrom Dam; FY 82 - Dorchester Watershed, School Creek Site #3 Roads, Nielsen Dam; FY 83 - School Creek Site #3 Dam, Smith Creek Dam; FY 84 - Grosshans Dam, Waco South Dam; FY 85 - Gallagher Dam, Siebert Dam; FY 86 - Stromsburg Airport Dam, Bristol Dam. This plan being subject to change based on future feasibility studies. Seconded by Ehlers. An extensive discussion was held on Possible future projects and their priorities. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White

NAY- Moore

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz

ABSENT: Hansen

Hegeholz announced that a special meeting of the Projects and the Parks, Forestry, the Wildlife Committees is scheduled for July 31, 1980 at 8:00 p.m. to discuss the information to be presented to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission concerning School Creek Site #3 request for additional funding.

Turnbull reported that the District had received a letter from the Governor's Taskforce for Government Improvement. This taskforce is looking for ways to improve government service and has interviewed members of government agencies and employees, and has done research, etc. The Ag and Natural Resources Committee of the Governor's Taskforce for Government Improvement will be holding a series of public hearings in Scottsbluff, McCook, and Lincoln in late July. The hearing in Lincoln is scheduled on July 31st at 10:00 a.m. in Room 2A in the State Office Building. Directors are encouraged to attend this hearing.

Turnbull also reminded the Board that a Senators' tour of the Upper Big Blue NRD has been scheduled for August 19th. There will be a staff briefing of the Senators in the morning at the NRD office, lunch at noon, and a tour of the district in the afternoon. All directors are encouraged to join the staff and Senators for lunch and the tour in the afternoon.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Lowell Peters, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
June 19, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:25 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Projects Dept. Mgr
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Ken Feather, Parks/Forestry/Wildlife Dept. Mgr
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Stan Staab, Public Information Department Mgr.
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Department Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Linda Sjuts, Administrative Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Wayne Hansen, Director	Maurice Medaris, District Tech., Aurora
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Bob Foster, Area V SCS, Grand Island
Melvin Kuska, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS, Geneva
Jim McLean, Director	David Brand, D.C., Polk Co. SCS, Osceola
Norman Obermier, Director	Bill Gilliam, D.C., York Co. SCS, York
Kenneth Regier, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCD's, York
Max Ronne, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times, York
Leonard Schlueter Director	
Robert Schneider, Director	
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published June 10, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17-Present. 0-Absent.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) that the Minutes of the May 15, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of May 31, 1980. He also reviewed a final settlement awarded to Neil Grothen, a client involved the Hastings NW Flood Control Project, Adams County. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of May 31, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora, gave a brief SCS report. He introduced the new D.C. at the Osceola SCS Office, David Brand. Brand gave a short report.



EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Education Committee meeting held June 2, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

SELECT 1980-AWARD FARM WINNERS

Ehlers reported that the Committee has reviewed the nominations for the Annual Award Farms. The Committee and staff has made recommendations of the prospective winners. Each farm will be visited and award photos prepared. The Butler County recommendation is to be further reviewed by the Committee.

SUMMER IRRIGATION TOUR

Final arrangements for the Summer Irrigation Tour of Northwest Nebraska have been set for August 6, 7 and 8th. Reservations are now being accepted. Plan to attend.

PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Parks, Forestry and Wildlife Committee meeting held June 2, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WILDLIFE HABITAT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - ANNUAL PAYMENTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #3) to approve annual payments be made to the 1978 and 1979 cooperators under the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program as reviewed for a total of 561.5 acres and a total payment of \$9,790.00. Seconded by Schneider. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

NEW WILDLIFE HABITAT COOPERATORS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #4) to accept the new 1980 cooperators under the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program as reviewed for a total of 76 acres, and a total annual payment of \$1,315.00. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Moore

NATIVE GRASS SEED PAYMENTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #5) to approve reimbursement to Linus Krejci, Noel Eberspacher, Hubert H. Springer and Bernard Budler for the native grass seed Planted on their wildlife habitat areas as reviewed for a total payment of \$1,262.34. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

1980 TREE PLANTING REPORT

Schlueter reported that Feather gave a report to the Committee on the 1980 Clarke-McNary Tree Planting Program. (A copy of the report is on file at the NRD office.)

SEWARD PARK

Schlueter made the motion (motion #6) that payment of \$25,000 be made on the Seward Park, Phase II during FY 81, and the remainder (\$12,500) will be considered in the FY 82 Budget. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

UTICA PARK

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #7) to approve payment of \$5,588.69 be made to the Village of Utica for the construction and purchase of land for the Utica Village Park to date. Seconded by Peters. The balance remaining as per the agreement is \$436.31. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held June 9, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

AURORA RECORDER WELL

White made the motion (Motion #8) that the District assist in the replacement of the Aurora recorder well at a cost not to exceed \$1,600.00. Seconded by Burke. The observation well would be located in Section 26, T10N, R6W, Hamilton County. This assistance would be for the drilling and casing of the new well. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

CHANGE IN PERMIT PROCEDURE ESTABLISHED BY L.B. 643

White made the motion (Motion #9) that the Water Department Manager be authorized to review all permit applications for the construction of wells and forward them to the Department of Water Resources for approval. However, if the Water Department Manager feels that a recommendation to deny a permit is in order, the Water Committee shall review the application prior to its submission to the Department of Water Resources. Seconded by Burke. By L.B. 643, after July 19, 1980, all new permit applications must be sent to the NRD first, rather than the Department of Water Resources as is now the case. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

LATE PERMIT PROCEDURE

White made the motion (Motion #10) that all applications for late well permits be acted upon by the Board of Directors prior to being submitted to the Department of Water Resources. Seconded by Burke. By L.B. 643, late permits can be granted. These permits are to be granted under the same criteria as a new permit, except that in the case of a late permit, fee will be charged of \$275 (\$250 to the NRD and \$25 to the DWR). Also, NRD must attach a statement indicating whether or not the well was in conflict with any rule, regulation, or control of the District, and whether or not the District feels that the applicant acted in good faith except for the failure to obtain a timely permit. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke., Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### SPRING 1980 STATIC WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS

White made the motion (Motion #11) that the Blue River Association of GWCD's be paid \$535.40 as per the 1980 Observation Well Measurement Agreement. Seconded by Burke. 68 wells were measured in Polk, Butler, Saline and Adams Counties; and 500 wells were measured in the remainder of the District by the Blue River Association of GWCD's. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### 1980 IRRIGATION SCHEDULING PROGRAM

White made the motion (Motion #12) that the District pay the Blue River Association of GWCD's \$3,525.00 as partial payment for the 1980 irrigation scheduling program. The remaining balance is to be paid after the 1980 irrigation season. Seconded by Burke. As per the Agreement with the Blue River Association of GWCD's, 'the District is to pay one-half of the NRD's share of the estimated cost now of the 1980 irrigation scheduling program, and the balance of the NRD's share of the actual cost at the end of the irrigation season. 29 wells in Polk, Saline, Adams and Butler Counties are participating in the program; and 177 wells in the remainder of the District are participating in the 1980 irrigation scheduling program, Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

#### 1979 WATER LEVEL CHANGE

White reported that the Water Department has completed the calculation of the 1979 water level change. This change is the difference between the spring of 1979 and the spring of 1980 water level measurements. The 1979 weighted water level change was a rise of 0.34 feet. The three year average change is 0.43 annual rise.

#### CONTROL AREA POLICIES

White reported that the Water Committee discussed several issues concerning various situations with allocation and water transfers.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

McLean gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held June 10, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

McLean made the motion (Motion #13) to grant tentative approval to the two land treatment practices as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$1,370.28. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS

McLean made the motion (Motion #14)to grant final approval for payment to the four land treatment practices as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$4,797.52. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schneider

HASTINGS NW FLOOD CONTROL DAM

McLean made the motion (Motion #15) to approve the progress payment of \$10,200.00 to Fritzen Construction Co. for construction of the Hastings NW Dam, Adams County, in May, 1980. Seconded by Ehlers. Board discussion and review of the project status followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

DENNIS VRBKA ROAD STRUCTURE

McLean made the motion (Motion #16) to authorize the District staff to proceed with advertisement for bids on the Dennis Vrbka Road Structure subject to Butler County agreeing to contribute 50% of the actual cost of construction. Bids will be accepted for both an erosion control dam and an irrigation dam as alternates. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Regier

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT

McLean made the motion (Motion #17) to approve payment of \$2,686.47 to the Lower Platte North NRD as the Upper Big Blue NRD's share of the progress payment to Olsson and Associates Engineers for work done since January 1, 1980, on the Central Butler Project. Seconded by White. Board discussion and review of the project status followed.. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 - POLK COUNTY

McLean reported that the Projects Committee tabled the Drainage District No. 1 Polk County project and that no planning action be taken by the District staff until the civil matter between Mr. Strong and Mr. Peterson is resolved.

DAVIS CREEK SINKING FUND - TRANSFER

McLean made the motion (Motion #18) to approve a transfer of \$34,065.22 from the Davis Creek Watershed Sinking Fund to the General Fund Parks Department, to be used for land rights acquisition on School Creek Site #3, transfer effective .July 1, 1980. Seconded by Ehlers. Board discussion and review of the projects status followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Obermier

PROJECT PRIORITY SELECTION

McLean reported that the Projects Committee reviewed a list of approximately 20 new projects. A list of 14 projects were selected and assigned their order of priority to be acted on by the District staff, concerning the feasibility, technicality, and economics of each project. For the present, this list is only a working file and Board action will be requested at a later time recommending continuance of the proposed projects.

The Committee also authorized the Projects Department to conduct a detailed "In-House" screening model study of the Upper Big Blue NRD to identify feasible multi-purpose reservoir sites on the main branches of the Blue River

and its major tributaries. The major portion of the work on this study will be done between construction seasons and will take several years to prepare because of its intermittent nature.

#### LAND TREATMENT SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

The Land Treatment Sub-Committee held a meeting June 11, 1980, and action taken at that meeting was recommended to the Budget and Planning Committee for adoption. This recommendation and the Budget and Planning Committee report will be heard later in this Board meeting.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held June 11, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LEGAL DEFENSE FUND

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #19) to pay the \$375.79 bill for the NARD Legal Defense Fund, in support through the NARD of the Lower Platte South District Court Case. Seconded by Burke. The Lower Platte South NRD successfully defended a challenge by the League of Women Voters on the method of Director's election and sub-districts. Board discussion followed concerning the court case. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Schneider, White, Moore  
NAY: Hansen, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Regier, Ronne

#### NARD FY 81 DUES

Kaiser made the motion (motion #20) that the District pay the NARD dues of \$5,670 for FY 81. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: Hansen

#### NACD ENDOWMENT FUND

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #21) that the District pay the NARD \$352.00 for the NACD Endowment Fund. Seconded by Anderson. Board discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### LEGAL FEES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #22) to pay Luebs, Dowding, Beltzer, Leininger and Smith, Attys., \$350.00 for Legal Services pertaining to administration of land rights acquisition. Seconded by Peters. Board discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

NRD YORK TECHNICIAN Kaiser made the motion (Motion #23) that the District permanently transfer -the NRD Technician from the York Field Office to the NRD Headquarters Office, effective July 1, 1980. Seconded by Ehlers. Turnbull reviewed that the District's engineering staff has a very heavy workload and has great need for an additional technician. The District can better utilize the NRD technician's time at this office, while remaining within our budget restraints. SCS representatives offered their opinions. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Kaiser, White

#### FIELD OFFICE CLERKS

Kaiser reported that the Executive Committee discussed the reduction of the clerks' hours at the SCS field offices. A decision has not been reached and further discussion will be held on this matter.

#### HEARING EXAMINER

Kaiser reported that the Executive Committee has appointed Jay Bitner to be the Hearing Examiner for the District vs. McBride well spacing violation hearing.

#### EQUIPMENT

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #24) to purchase, prior to June 30th, one IBM Electronic Typewriter, Model 75, for \$1,867.50. Further, that the old (red:) typewriter be retained or sold separately, not traded. Seconded by Anderson. Turnbull explained that the oldest IBM typewriter needs replacement. The typing workload is significant and a new typewriter with time-saving functions is needed. Purchase is requested by June 30th due to a price increase by July 1st. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### INSURANCE

Kaiser reported that the District's insurance is up for renewal in July. The staff and Executive Committee have requested quotes from local insurance agencies, trying to obtain a better package policy. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #25) that the Executive Committee be given the authority to act on the bids for the District's insurance upon receipt. Seconded by Ehlers. Turnbull explained that this is the comprehensive package including liability insurance, automobile insurance, workmen's compensation, and errors and omissions insurance. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Mc Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr Moore  
NAY: None

#### PERSONNEL MERIT INCREASES

Kaiser reported that the personnel merit increases will be discussed la in tonight's Board meeting.

#### BUDGET, PLANNING the LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schneider gave a report on the Budget, Planning the Legislative Committee meeting held June 17, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### REVIEW FY 81 BUDGET

Schneider reported that the Budget the Planning Committee reviewed the FY 81 Budget. The consolidated budget including the various Committee's tentative recommendations was submitted. The draft budget includes a 7% increase in tax revenues, but shows a major decrease in overall expenditures. Lack of outside funding will be -the major reason for the decreases. The Budget Committee will not compile a final budget until the year end financial statement is received by the staff. The Budget Hearing will be held at the August Board meeting.

#### LAND TREATMENT POLICY

Schneider reported that the Land Treatment Sub-Committee forwarded their recommendation to the Budget the Planning Committee to adopt the revised Land

Treatment policy. Schneider made the motion (Motion #26) to adopt the Land Treatment Policy as revised, with the additional changes to delete paragraph no. 7, page 2; and also on page 2, that another paragraph read "The landowner/cooperator is responsible to turn in a copy of the bill from the contractor to the NRD prior to final payment. A 'joint check will be issued to the cooperator and contractor". Seconded by Anderson. Turnbull reviewed in detail the amended Land Treatment Policy. This new Land Treatment Policy has many changes and alterations from the previous Land Treatment Program. A \$3,500 maximum limit per cooperator per year has been added. Also, the cost-share rate shall be the lesser of 75% of estimated cost or 75% of actual cost less the amount of federal and state funds has been supplemented. Board discussion followed. The Irrigation Reuse Pit land treatment practice was discussed in great length. Paragraph 5, page 2, was also discussed concerning replacing trees in order to construct land treatment practices. McLean amended motion #26 to make the motion (Motion #27) to add "when practical" in paragraph 5, page 2, following "suitable location". Amendment seconded by Peters. Board discussion continued. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, McLean, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White

NAY: Anderson, Kuska, Schneider, Stuhr, Moore

ABSTAIN: Burke, Hegeholz, Obermier

Kaiser amended motion #26 to make the motion (Motion #28) that under the Land Treatment Practice for Irrigation Reuse Pits that the NRD's cost-share rate be the lesser of 60% of estimated cost or 60% of actual costs less the amount of federal and state funds, to coordinate with the ASC program. Amendment seconded by McLean. Board discussion continued. The Committee's recommendation was made to coordinate with the state's L.B. 450 program. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Kaiser, Obermier

NAY: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Hegeholz, McLean, Moore

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Kaiser, Obermier

ABSTAIN: White

#### IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AREA POLICY

Turnbull reviewed the NRD Improvement Project Area Law. This law provides a legal mechanism for landowners to form a joint project under the guidance of a NRD. If an improvement project is established, the District becomes the project sponsor and is responsible for planning, construction, operation and maintenance. The landowners can expect to pay the bulk of the necessary land rights and construction costs. Turnbull stated that he has met with two groups of landowners in the past month to discuss drainage problems and what to do about them. The general desire of the landowners is for the District to stand most of the construction and others costs, which is the common reaction in projects of this size and nature. The District can invest considerable funds in planning and engineering to arrive at an acceptable plan and determine who is going to pay how much. In doing so, without a firm understanding with those in the area, the District stands to risk a great deal of time and effort if the project is not constructed. Therefore, a recommendation is being presented to adopt an improvement project area policy. Schneider made the motion (Motion #29) that the District adopt the following policy for improvement project areas, effective July 1, 1980. NRD Cost-share: The District will stand the cost of planning and engineering only if the project goes to construction.

Otherwise, the landowners who would have benefitted from the completed project will be assessed the planning and engineering costs. NRD funds for construction and land rights costs are considered on a case by case basis and then only when the general public will benefit. Seconded by Stuhr. Board discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### PROGRAMS BOOKLET REVIEW

Schneider made the motion (Motion #30) that the Board adopt the FY 81 Programs Booklet as amended to include only \$5 per acre per year increases from FY 81 in payments for Practices I, III, IVB and IVC of the Wildlife Habitat Program. Seconded by Hansen. Board discussion followed. The Parks, Forestry the Wildlife Committee recommends these annual payments be increased to an average of \$10 per acre per year in the Wildlife Habitat Program. The Budget Committee feels that under the District's limited budget, it is unwise to increase the payments. Higher payments per acre on a fixed budget means that fewer acres can be signed up on the program. Parks the Wildlife Department Manager explained that he would rather have the fewer acres and have better acres under the Wildlife Program, and increase the annual payments to coordinate with the Game the Parks Commission's program. These annual payment increases affect only those practices establishing new wildlife cover acres, not those under existing cover. Anderson amended motion #30 to make the motion (Motion #31) to adopt the annual payment increases under the Wildlife Habitat Program, effective July 1, 1980, as follows: (a) That the annual payment per acre be raised from \$25 per acre to \$35 per acre for Practice I, native grass seeding. The Game the Parks Commission will provide a one-time payment of \$25 per acre for soil preparation costs. (b) That the annual payment per acre on Practice III, oats and sweet clover, be raised from \$20 per acre to \$30 per acre. (c) That the annual payment per acre on Practice IVb, border planting of grass, be raised from \$25 per acre to \$35 per acre. And, (d) That the annual payment per acre on Practice IVc, border planting of grass, trees and shrubs, be raised from \$35 per acre to \$50 per acre. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Hegeholz, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore

NAY: Hansen, Schneider, Stuhr

ABSTAIN: Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Regier

The Programs Booklet will include the Land Treatment and Improvement Project Area policies as approved, the certain annual payment rate increases in the Wildlife Habitat Program as amended, and several other changes which are of housekeeping in nature. Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser

#### BOARD POLICY

Schneider made the motion (Motion #32) that all NRD project funds be only expended within the District boundaries unless approved by 3/4 majority (75%) of those board members present at the time of the decision. Seconded by Hansen. Present policy on the District spending funds on projects outside the District boundaries is by simple majority, 50%. It was felt by the Budget the Planning the Committee that this should only be approved if a solid majority of the Board members present agreed. Board discussion followed. Hegeholz amended motion #32 to make the motion (Motion #33) to make the majority 60%



of those members present rather than 75%. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters  
NAY: Anderson, Kuska, Obermier, Regier, Schneider, Stuhr, White  
ABSTAIN: McLean, Ronne, Schlueter, Moore

Regier amended motion #32 to make the motion (Motion #34) to make the majority 2/3 of those members present rather than 3/4. Seconded by Burke. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter  
NAY: Anderson, Kuska, Obermier, Schneider, Stuhr, White  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, McLean, Moore

Question called on the original motion. Motion failed.

AYE: Ehlers, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schneider, Stuhr  
NAY: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, White, Moore  
ABSTAIN: McLean, Schlueter

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #35) to convene the meeting into Executive Session at 12:10 a.m. for the Purpose-of discussing merit increases for the District's employees. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #36) to reconvene the meeting into Regular Session at 12: 35 a.m. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT PERSONNEL MERIT INCREASES

Hansen made the motion (Motion #37) that the District grant merit increases to District employees, effective July 1, 1980, as reviewed. Seconded by Burke.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen', Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None

Meeting adjourned 12:40 a.m.

/ls

Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
May 15, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m. at -the York County 4H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska,

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Proj. Dept. Mgr.
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Ken Feather, For./Parks/Wildlife Dept. Mgr.
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Department Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Linda Sjuts,, Administrative Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Wayne Hansen, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCD's
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	John Ortman, York News-Times
Norman Obermier, Director	David Regier, Jr., York
Max Ronne, Director	
Leonard Schlueter, Director	
Morris White, Director	

ABSENT

Melvin Kuska, Director  
Jim McLean, Director  
Lowell Peters, Secretary  
Kenneth Regier, Director  
Robert Schneider, Director

NOTICE OF MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published Mal, 6, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public: inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present, with Anderson arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) that the Minutes of the April 17, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #2) that the Minutes of the April 23, 1980, special Board of Directors Meeting be approved at distributed. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of April 313, 1980. Schlueter made the motion (Motion.#3) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of April 30, 1980, as presented, to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora, gave a report that a new D.C. will be at the Osceola SCS Office, David Brand, and a new D.C. is at the Wilber SCS Office, Gary Wooten.

Griffin also reported on the work schedules of the area field offices. The Aurora, Clay Center, Osceola, Seward and York SCS Offices are remaining on the 8 hour 5 day work week. The Geneva SCS office will have one man on the 8 hour 5 day work week and the other on the 10 hour 4 day work week. The Hastings SCS Office will be going on the 10 hour 4 day work week for their employees. David City and Wilber have not reported their work week schedules.

Griffin also reported that a Mr. S. J. Day, an official of the Australian counterpart of the Soil Conservation Service, will be in the area on May 22 and 23, 1980. He plans to meet at the Aurora office with Ray and John on Friday, May 23, 1980, and is wanting to learn more about the NRD concept.

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Education Committee meeting held May 5, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1980 COUNTY FAIR PARTICIPATION

Ehlers reported that the Committee reviewed the 1980 County Fair participation. The Committee determined that the NRD Public Information Department should maintain a fair booth at seven county fairs? providing the dates do not conflict. Student help will be hired to help watch the booths and video tape equipment that will be a major part of the display this year.

#### 1980 CONSERVATION FARM AWARD NOMINATIONS

Ehlers reported that all SCS offices in the NRD were recently notified to submit nominations for Conservation Farm Awards by May 23rd. The Education Committee and staff will be evaluating each farm and visiting with the owners. The format of contracting a photographer, securing sponsors and locating an event to present each award will be used again this year. Ehlers reviewed that the 1979 Award Presentations were considered a success as attendance reports indicate.

#### 1980 SUMMER TOUR

Ehlers made a motion (Motion 4) that a tour of north-central Nebraska be conducted as proposed the week of August 4, 1980. "Seconded by White. The proposed tour will involve the north-central portion of Nebraska and will highlight several surface irrigation projects and proposed dam sites. The tour is planned to be three days and a charter bus will be utilized for the group. The Tentative Tour Itinerary has been previously sent to each Director for their review and comment. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### EXPANSION OF NEWSLETTER

Ehlers reported that the Committee discussed the possibility of increasing the District's newsletter coverage. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #5) to expand the District's newsletter coverage by printing an additional 3,000 copies for distribution at county fairs, meetings, businesses and at high level target areas of the District. Seconded by White.

Printing would be increased to 10,000 copies and costs of the additional printing was reviewed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### DISTRICT TOURS

Ehlers reported that the Nebraska Water Resources Center staff will spend part of a day, May 29<sup>th</sup>, touring the District.

Another tour in the spring consisting of a delegation of state senators is also in planning.

#### HASTINGS NW FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT GROUNDBREAKING

Ehlers reported that on April 23, 1980, a ceremony was held at the Hastings NW Flood Control dam site to dedicate this project. Several city, county and resource conservation officials involved with the project were present. The event was covered by many area television and newspaper media. A ceremonial shovel was presented to the Mayor of Hastings by our Chairman, Larry Moore.

#### NACD NORTHERN PLAINS REGIONAL MEETING

Notice was given of the 1980 NACD Northern Plains Regional Meeting to be held at Medora, North Dakota, June 16-18, 1980.

#### TEACHER CONSERVATION INSTITUTE

Ehlers reported that the District has approved to sponsor six teachers within the District for a one week environmental education course at Camp Jefferson in Fairbury, May 27-June 6, with a grant of \$100 per teacher. An additional request has been received and it is recommended to approve an additional grant be permitted. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #6) to approve the additional grant for a teacher to attend the Teacher Conservation Institute at Camp Jefferson. Therefore, the District will sponsor seven teachers rather than six, at \$100 each. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### 208 Tape

Ehlers reported that those present viewed a new video tape from the NARD on "208". It was very interesting, and it featured one of our Directors as the "Star" (Bruce Anderson). Please make plans to view this tape presentation.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held May 8, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### BASE PERIOD DECLINE

White reported that the Committee discussed in great length the Base Period Decline. The major topic discussed was the years which actually make up the base period. It was decided to use the well readings which the staff had been using. Therefore, the difference between Spring 1976-1977 represents the 1976 year; the difference between Spring 1977-1978 represents the 1977 year; and the difference between Spring 1978-1979 represents the 1978 year. The average annual rate of decline based on the three year period of 1976, 1977 and 1978 is 0.43 feet.. Further discussion involved to what decimal place the 0.43 decline is accurate. The staff indicated that they are confident in the accuracy of the numbers used and the method of calculation, but that in any thing you do, there is certainly possibilities of human error. The consensus of the Committee was that because of the volume of wells measured and the fact

that even though the data and method of calculation was carefully screened, there is always a factor of human error. The Committee expressed, to compensate for error, that the rate of decline which would start allocation should exceed 0.50 feet. White made the motion (Motion #7) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors recognize that the present average annual rate of decline is 0.43 feet. This rate of decline is based on the three year period of 1976, 1977 and 1978. If the average annual rate of decline for the three year period ending December 31, 1981, or any subsequent three year period of record, exceeds 0.50 feet, Rule 2 111 (1) and (2) of the Upper Big Blue NRD Groundwater Control Area Rules and Regulations will be implemented. Seconded by Burke. A long discussion followed concerning the adoption of the base period decline figure. Stuhr amended motion #7 to make the motion (Motion #8) that the third paragraph under subtopic 1. Base Period Decline be deleted from the -Water Committee Report dated May 8i 1980, and that this be brought to issue at a later time. Seconded by Ronne. Question called on the amendment. The amendment carried.

AYE: Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ronne, Stuhr  
NAY: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Schlueter, White  
ABSTAIN: Moore  
ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

Question called on the amended motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Ronne  
ABSTAIN: Obermier  
ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### PUMPING PLANT EFFICIENCY TESTING

White reviewed that the Water Committee discussed well efficiency testing and whether or not the District wants to become actively involved in such a program. The Committee recommended to the Education Committee to consider publishing, in the newsletter, that well efficiency testing is available from several consulting services.

#### POLK, BUTLER COUNTY RUNOFF INSPECTOR

White made the motion (Motion #9) that the staff be authorized to hire a runoff inspector for Polk and Butler Counties for 1980, to work approximately 16 hours per week during the irrigation season. Approximate salary of \$4.00 per hour. Seconded by Burke. Board discussion followed on the Runoff Inspector Program. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

##### RUNOFF INSPECTOR AGREEMENTS WITH GWCD'S

White made the motion (Motion #10) that the District approve the Runoff Inspector Agreements with the GWCD's as follows: York, Hamilton and Seward Counties - the NRD to pay ½ of the cost incurred; Fillmore County - the NRD to pay 3/8 of the cost incurred; and Clay County - the NRD to pay 1/3 of the cost incurred. Seconded by Burke. -Discussion followed. -Question called. 14 Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Ronne, White, Moore  
NAY: Obermier, Schlueter, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### LETTER FROM PUBLIC WORKS

White reported that the office received a letter from Mary Sommermeyer, Legal

Counsel for the Public Works Committee of the Legislature. In the letter, she asked questions concerning late permit problems, non-permitted wells, and who is responsible for the well. The Committee discussed the letter, and instructed John Turnbull to reply taking the Committee's comments into consideration. Well spacing was also addressed in the reply.

#### L.B. 643

White reported that L.B. 643, which passed the Legislature and was signed by the Governor, does enable those who failed to get a permit to now get a late permit to continue operation of the well. This law goes into effect July 19th, and the staff is all ready working with the Department of Water Resources on the details and the late permit forms. Our District has about four or five wells under this category. This law is also retroactive to the start of the Control Area. Board discussion was held.

#### LOWER LOUP NRD CONTROL AREA REQUEST DENIED

White reported that the Committee was informed that the Lower Loup NRD Control Area request was denied. The Committee reviewed the reasons for the denial.

#### ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Mark Nannen, Blue River Association of GWCD's, submitted a Spring Static Water Levels - 1980, Spring 1979 to Spring 1980, Report.

White reported that the Twin Platte NRD has proposed an Interim Control Area Authority. He briefly reviewed the concept. The NARD Water Resources Committee will be discussing this proposal at their next meeting, June 2nd.

Questions were raised on the runoff problem of the sprinkling of the roads by center pivot systems. These problems are enforced by the County Attorneys.

#### LAND TREATMENT SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

Turnbull reported on the Land Treatment Sub-Committee meeting held May 6, 1980. This Sub-Committee of Budget and Planning is developing a new Land Treatment Program Policy. The decisions reached will be assembled into one comprehensive recommendation to be forwarded to the Budget and Planning Committee. They will review the final recommendation and forward it to the Board for approval. The Board should review the Land Treatment Sub-Committee report and submit any comments or suggestions for review at future sessions.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held May 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1981 SOIL SURVEY AGREEMENTS

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #11) to approve the FY 81 Amendments to the Master Cooperative Agreements on Accelerated Soil Surveys for Fillmore (\$8,000), Hamilton (\$7,200), and Saline (\$700) Counties for a total cost of \$15,900. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

#### FIELD TEST EQUIPMENT

Stuhr reported that the Projects Committee recommended to the Executive Committee the need for Field Test Equipment for the Projects Department. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #12) that the field test equipment purchase requests in the amount of \$1,455.29 be approved as recommended. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held May 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - PHASE II DESIGN CONTRACT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #13) to approve Hennginson, Durham and Richardson engineering firm to complete Phase II of the design contract for a fee of \$12,535.00. Seconded by Burke. This contract is just for the structure design itself'. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #14) to approve Edward Brodnicki, Research Archeologist-UNL, to conduct archeological literature research, site reconnaissance, and preparation of report of findings for a fee of \$894.00. Seconded by Anderson. This report is necessary when applying for NRDF Funds. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

Turnbull reported that staff has scheduled a meeting with the Clay County Board to discuss the road crossings involved in the School Creek Site #3 Project, Friday, May 16th.

BAILEY DAM - FINAL PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #15) to approve final payment of \$8,417.95 to Slepicka Brothers Construction Company for construction of the Bailey Elam. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

VRBKA DAM - CONSTRUCTION

Hegeholz reported that the Projects Committee has adopted that action on proceeding with construction of the Vrbka Dam be tabled until further notice.

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE, APPROVALS - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #16) to grant tentative approval to the four land treatment practices as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$8,014.37. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.\_

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #17) to grant final approval to the one land treatment practice as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$1,150.31. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,

Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (motion #18) to grant tentative approval to the one land treatment practice for L.B. 450 Funds as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$3,963.26. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

HASTINGS NW PROJECT - NEIL GROTHEN RE-USE PIT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #19) to enter into Executive Session at 9:55 p.m. to discuss the Hastings NW Project - Neil Grothen Re-Use Pit. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

Ronne made the motion (Motion #20), to reconvene into Regular Session at 10:24 p.m. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Schneider

Meeting adjourned 10:25 p.m.

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Secretary



MINUTES  
UPPER BLUE NRD  
April 23, 1980

A Special Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman  
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman  
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer  
Lowell Peters, Secretary  
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large  
Bruce Anderson, Director  
Bob Ehlers, Director  
Wayne Hansen, Director  
Gerald Hegeholz, Director  
Melvin Kuska, Director  
Jim McLean, Director  
Norman Obermier, Director  
Kenneth Regier, Director  
Max Ronne, Director  
Leonard Schlueter, Director  
Robert Schneider, Director  
Morris White, Director

John Turnbull, General Manager  
Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Proj. Dept. Mgr.  
Stan Staab, Information Dept. Manager  
Ken Feather, Parks/For./Wildlife Dept. Mgr.  
Linda Sjuts, Administrative Secretary  
Barry Butterfield, HDR, Omaha  
John Ortmann, York News-Times, York

Robert Reutzal, Sutton  
Evelyn Reutzal, Sutton  
Albert P. Nuss, Sutton  
Harold Hofmann, Sutton  
Ephraim O. Griess, Sutton  
Hilda Griess, Sutton  
Dorothy Hofmann, Sutton  
Kenneth D. Griess, Sutton  
Mrs. Kenneth D. Griess, Sutton  
Edwin Korb, Sutton  
Dean Domeier, Sutton  
Ken R. Friesen, Henderson  
Don C. Griess, Sutton  
Paul R. Griess, Sutton  
Lloyd Reutzal, Sutton  
Roy Reutzal, Sutton  
Carrol Reutzal, Sutton  
Stanley Steinhauer, Sutton  
Don Bortorf, Sutton  
Jeff Eckhardt, Sutton  
Jonathan E. Griess, Sutton  
Daniel R. Griess, Sutton  
Ralph Vauck, Sutton  
Loren Griess, Sutton  
Walt Hahn, Sutton  
Dean Griess, Sutton  
Calvin Griess, Sutton  
Lyle Griess, Sutton  
Wilmer Griess, Sutton  
Curtis O. Griess, Sutton

NOTICE OF MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this special public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published April 16, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present, with Obermier arriving later in the meeting.

The purpose of this Special Board of Directors Meeting is to make a final decision to proceed with final design and construction or suspension of the School Creek Site #3 Project, Clay County, Nebraska.

SCHOOL CREEK PROJECT SITE #3

John Turnbull and Jay Bitner gave a presentation concerning the economics and technical aspects for the School Creek Project Site #3. Bitner reviewed a cash flow stream table explaining the rate of return calculations for this project. (Refer to the attached table.) The estimated rate of return at this time is 5.4%.

Turnbull reviewed the total acres involved in the Site #3 Project. 312 total acres will need to be acquired either through easement or fee title; of this, 228 acres are in the permanent pool. The project, to be completed over the

next four years, has a total estimated cost of \$775,700. 30 guests from the School Creek Site #3 Project area were in attendance at this Special Board Meeting.

A question and answer period was held reviewing the technical and economical phases of the project.

Turnbull distributed copies of the Executive Summary of the School Creek public opinion survey conducted by SRI Research Center, Inc., Lincoln, Nebraska. He reviewed the summary and recommendations stated of their professional opinion of the School Creek Watershed community survey. 98% of all farmers and ranchers responding felt it important to replenish the underground water supply in their area. (A copy of the Executive Summary prepared by SRI is on file at the office.)

A question and answer period was held reviewing the SRI's Executive Summary of the community survey conducted in the School Creek Watershed area the second week in April.

A long discussion was held concerning various aspects of the School Creek Site #3 Project being proposed for construction.

McLean made the motion (motion #1) that the Projects Committee recommends that the School Creek Dam Site #3 Project, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, Clay County, Nebraska, as shown on current project maps be constructed subject to adequate funding from the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission, the Game and Parks Commission, monies from NRD Sinking Fund, General Fund and cooperating agencies. Further, that project final design be completed and the land rights acquisition process begin. The primary project purposes are irrigation water storage and groundwater recharge. The secondary project purposes are flood control, wildlife enhancement and recreation. Seconded by Hegeholz.

Again, a long discussion was held concerning the pros and cons of continuation of the project, and the procedures that will follow from the decision to proceed or suspend construction of the School Creek Site #3 Project.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: McLean, Obermier

Meeting adjourned 10:30 p.m.

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attach.

Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
April 17, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Proj. Dept. Mgr.
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Information Department: Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Ken Feather, Parks/Forestry/Wildlife Dept. Mgr.
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Dave Clabaugh, Water Department Assistant
Bob Ehlers, Director	Linda Sjuts, Administrative Secretary
Wayne Hansen, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore County, Geneva
Jim McLean, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCD's
Norman Obermier, Director	Barry Butterfield, HDR, Omaha
Kenneth Regier, Director	Pat Rogacz, HDR, Omaha
Max Ronne, Director	Robert Nielsen, SRI, Lincoln
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Sheehan, SRI, Lincoln
Robert Schneider, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times, York
Morris White, Director	

ABSENT

Bruce Anderson, Director  
Melvin Kuska, Director

NOTICE OF MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published April 10, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present, with Hansen, McLean, Regier, Ronne and Schneider arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) that the Minutes of the March 27, 1980, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ronne

ABSENT: Anderson, Hansen, Kuska, McLean, Regier, Schneider

BUDGET REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of March 31, 1980. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #2) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of March 31, 1980, as presented, to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: McLean

ABSENT: Anderson, Hansen, Kuska, Schneider

SCHOOL CREEK WATERSHED - PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY REPORT

Staab introduced Bob Nielsen and John Sheehan, SRI Research Center, Inc., of

Lincoln, Nebraska. Mr. Nielsen distributed copies of the actual survey conducted, which included a poll of people's opinions on water conservation and other water related concerns in the School Creek Watershed area. He reviewed the tabulated results of the Community Study in great detail. The Board asked questions concerning the survey and discussed in great length the results of the public opinion survey report of the School Creek Watershed area. (A copy of the Public Opinion Survey-Report is on file at the NRD office.) A summary of the Survey Report will be submitted by SRI Research Center by April 23rd

#### SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora, distributed copies of the Liaison Progress Report, which included quarters one and two of activities and practices within the NRD through March, 1980.

Griffin also reported that the USDA Soil Conservation Service has given their employees the option to go to a 10 hour, 4 day work week, with the field offices being open five days a week. Reasons given were to cut costs.

Mike Rabbe, D.C. Fillmore County, Geneva, gave a presentation and slide show on Conservation Tillage. He reviewed the no-till method of farming.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held March 27, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CONDUCTING A SURVEY OF PUBLIC ATTITUDE FOR THE SCHOOL CREEK WATERSHED

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) to approve the expenditure of \$4,500.00 for the public opinion survey conducted in the School Creek Watershed area. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held April 1, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Stuhr made the motion (motion #4) to approve of the Directors' first quarter Per Diem of \$2,655.00 and first quarter expenses of \$2,572.85. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska

#### OSCEOLA BUILDING

Stuhr reported that the SCS in Osceola have requested some remodeling to the NRD Building. Cost estimates were reviewed by the Committee and discussion was held to negotiate a rent increase to justify the necessary work. A report will be made at a later date.

#### FUTURE NRD OFFICE SPACE

Stuhr reported that the Committee discussed alternatives for additional or new office space for the NRD headquarters office.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held April 10, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### BASE PERIOD DECLINE

White reported that the Committee discussed the Base Period Decline in great length and detail. White reported that the Water Department told the Committee the final calculated decline for the base period of 1976, 1977 and 1978 is -0.43 feet/year. Staff also explained that they had gone back and calculated the decline for every year from 1962 to 1978. The average for that period was -0.37 feet/year. Therefore, the base period decline was rounded to the nearest tenth of a foot, -0.4 feet/year. This base period decline is the standard for the future. If after December 31, 1981, or subsequent periods of record thereafter, the three year average decline is greater than the base period decline (-0.4 feet/year), then allocation and flow meters would become mandatory according to the Control Area Rules and Regulations. Examples of how the base period calculation would affect the Control Area and allocation was reviewed. 1976-1977-1978 - Base period decline is -0.4 feet/year.

- Example No. 1: 1979-1980-1981 - decline average -0.3 feet/year;  
-0.3 is less than -0.4, so allocation would not start
- Example No. 2: 1979-1980-1981 - decline average -0.5 feet/year;  
-0.5 is greater than -0.4, so allocation would begin.  
In 1982, flow meters would be installed; and in 1983,  
the first allocation would begin.
- Example No. 3: 1979-1980-1981, -0.3 decline, allocation not started;  
1980-1981-1982, -0.6 decline, allocation started, with  
flow meters installed in 1983 and the first allocation  
in 1984.

White made the motion (Motion #5) that the Board adopt the following statement concerning the base period groundwater decline: That the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors recognizes that the present rate of decline is -0.43 feet/year based on the three year period of record 1976, 1977 and 1978. All calculations were based on the spring water level measurements as follows: The difference between spring 1976, and spring 1977, represents the 1976 year. The difference between spring 1977, and spring 1978, represents the 1977 year. And, the difference between spring 1978, and spring 1979, represents the 1978 year. The initial goal of the District is to hold the rate of decline of the groundwater table to this present rate -0.4 feet/year (-0.43 feet/year rounded off). The Board of Directors further recognizes that if the present rate of decline is exceeded, rounded off to the nearest tenth of a foot (-0.450 feet/year) by December 31, 1981, or subsequent periods of record thereafter, Rule 2,111, (1) and (2) of the Control Area Rules and Regulations will be implemented. Seconded by Burke. A long discussion followed concerning the adoption of the base period decline figure. As the Rules and Regulations are stated now, that once the base period decline is exceeded, flow meters and allocation would be established with no turning back. Adjustments to the allocation amounts would be the only means of offsetting years of rise in the average decline rate. Rounding the base period decline to the nearest tenth of a foot was discussed. Rounding the base down when the decline is -0.44 feet/year; and rounding the base up when the decline exceeds -0.45 feet/year and greater. The costs of administering the Control Area was a large concern. Kaiser amended motion #5, to make the motion (Motion #6) to strike the last part of this statement, which refers to if the present rate of decline is exceeded, and the implementation of Rule 2 by December 31, 1981. No second to the amendment, the amendment: died. Question called on the original motion. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, Hegeholz, Schneider, White  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska

#### RUNOFF INSPECTOR BILLS

White reported that the Blue River Association of GWCD's submitted a bill to the District for the NRD's portion of the cost for the 1979 runoff inspectors

as per our agreement with them. The District is to pay 2/3 of the cost. White made the motion (Motion V) to approve payment of the billing for the 1979 runoff inspectors as follows: Hamilton County \$444.21, Seward County - \$397.41, York County - \$465.55, and Fillmore County \$107.13. A total bill of \$1,414.30. Seconded by Kaiser. Questions were raised about the Fillmore County Inspector's work during the 1979 irrigation season. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White  
NAY: McLean, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska

#### CENTER PIVOT SURVEY

White reported that the Water Department handed out the results of the center pivot survey which was conducted during the irrigated acreages reporting which took place at the temporary offices around the District. (A copy of the survey is on file with these minutes.)

#### CONTROL AREA POLICIES

White reported that the Committee discussed some more questions concerning certain situations that the NRD will need to address with regard to allocation, transportation, and sale of groundwater. The Committee will continue to do this each time they meet as time permits.

#### PUMPING PLANT EFFICIENCY

White reported that the subject of pumping plant efficiency was discussed briefly by the Committee, and the question was raised of what the NRD's role should be in this regard.

#### ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

White discussed that L.B. 643 will be heard at the State Legislature Friday, April 18th (tomorrow). This bill contains various subjects pertaining to the of a well, clarifies public hearing procedures, describes the duties of the Water Resources Director, clarifies the place to submit application for a permit, and more.

U.S.G.S. is placing some meters on various wells in York County, to measure the characteristics of the meters relative to the wells.

27.3% of the to the head Another series the total acres within the District have been certified and reported headquarters office. The deadline for the reporting is December 31, 1980. Another series of temporary offices or special reporting time is going to be coordinated again for this fall.

#### LAND TREATMENT SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

Turnbull gave a report on the Land Treatment Sub-Committee meeting held April 8, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

Turnbull reviewed the various items to be discussed during the up-coming subcommittee meetings. He also reviewed items that the sub-committee reached a consensus on at this time. Recommendations will be presented at a later date.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

McLean gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held April 10, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3

McLean reported that the Projects Committee has requested that a Special Board of Directors meeting be called for the purpose of deciding whether or not to proceed with construction of School Creek Site #3. Moore stated that the

meeting has been called and is set for Wednesday, April, 23rd, 8:00 p.m.

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

McLean made the motion (Motion #8) to grant tentative approval to three land treatment practices as submitted in the amount of \$3,541.52. Seconded by Peters. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 45G TENTATIVE APPROVAL

McLean made the motion (Motion #9) to grant tentative approval to the L.B.. 450 (Water Conservation Program) Land Treatment practice as submitted by Wayne Moore and Darwyn Oschsner, Clay County, in the amount of \$10,615.71. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska

HASTINGS NW FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT - BIDS

McLean made the motion (Motion #10) to accept the low bid of \$194,978.05 from Fritzen Construction Company of Beatrice, Nebraska, and that Fritzen Construction Company be awarded the contract to construct the Hastings NW Flood Retarding Dam on the condition that the emergency spillway and work on the adjacent east/west road be completed prior to June 1, 1980. Seconded by Hegeholz. The results of the bid opening were read to the Board. The Engineer's Estimate was \$200,718.09. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLena, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kuska

Staab announced that a groundbreaking ceremony has been scheduled at the site of the Hastings NW Flood Control Project Wednesday, April 23, 1980, at 2:00 p.m. Public is invited.

Meeting adjourned 10:55 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
March 27, 1980

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. at the York County 4H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Silas Nuss, Sutton
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Gilbert Hofmann, Sutton
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Lyle Griess, Sutton
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Jeff Eckhardt, Sutton
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Dean Griess, Sutton
Bruce Anderson, Director	Wilmer Griess, Sutton
Wayne Hansen, Director	Chuck Spearman, Sutton
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ephraim O. Griess, Sutton
Melvin Kuska, Director	Hilda Griess, Sutton
Jim McLean, Director	Curtis O. Griess, Sutton
Norman Obermier, Director	Richard VanGroningen, Sutton
Kenneth Regier, Director	Walt Hahn, Sutton
Max Ronne, Director	Loren Griess, Sutton
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Jonathan Griess, Sutton
Robert Schneider, Director	Daniel R. Griess, Sutton
Morris White, Director	Ralph Vauck, Sutton
	Don C. Griess, Sutton
John Turnbull, General Manager	Paul R. Griess, Sutton
Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Proj. Dept. Mgr.	Ken R. Friesen, Henderson
Rodney DeBuhr, Water Department Manager	Ed Korb, Sutton
Stan Staab, Information Department Manager	Harold Hofmann, Sutton
Ken Feather, Parks/Forestry/Wildlife Dept., Mgr.	Dorothy Hofmann, Sutton
Linda Sjuts, Administrative Secretary	Roy Reutzel, Sutton
Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora	Lloyd Reutzel, Sutton
Bob Pollock, Soil Scientist, Aurora	Stanley Steinhauer, Sutton
John Ortman, York News-Times, York	Kenneth D. Griess, Sutton
	Robert Reutzel, Sutton

ABSENT

Bob Ehlers, Director

NOTICE OF MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public meeting" published March 18, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present, with Hegeholz, Schneider and Stuhr arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Kaiser made the motion (motion #1) that the Minutes of the February 20, 1980, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: McLean

ABSENT: Ehlers, Hegeholz, Schneider, Stuhr

BUDGET REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of February 29, 1980. Ronne made the motion (motion #2) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of February 29, 1980, as presented, to make payment of the



accounts payable and approved the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Schlueter. Questions were raised on the Investments Schedule and Accounts Receivable Summary. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hegeholz, Schneider, Stuhr

#### SCS REPORT

Bob Pollock, Soil Scientist, Aurora, gave a status report on the Soil Surveys being conducted in the District. He gave a progress report that Saline County is 3711% mapped, Fillmore County is 37% mapped, and Hamilton County is 55% mapped. Projected completion dates are Hamilton County, 1981; Fillmore County, 1982; and Saline County, 1982.

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora, gave a report on various subjects concerning the SCS; such as SCS mileage limitations and restrictions, the Great Plains Program has passed the House of Representatives, changes are being considered at the Manhattan Plant Materials Center, and delivered a comic book printed by the Soil Conservation Society of America. He also reported that there are District Conservationists' openings at the Saline and Polk County SCS Offices.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report-on the Water Committee meeting held March 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1979 IRRIGATION SCHEDULING REPORT

White reported that copies of the 1979 Irrigation Scheduling Program conducted by the Blue River Association of GWCD's are available upon request.

#### 1980 IRRIGATION SCHEDULING AGREEMENT

White made the motion (Motion #3) to approve the Agreement to cooperate with the Blue River Association of GWCD's for the 1980 Irrigation Scheduling Program as stated and reviewed. Seconded by Burke. The 1980 Irrigation Scheduling Program will be conducted basically the same as the 1979 Program. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Obermier  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Stuhr

White reported that the Water Committee discussed a new device for irrigation scheduling. It is an infrared gun which measures canopy and air temperatures.

#### 1980-OBSERVATION WELL AGREEMENT

White made the motion (Motion #4) to approve the Agreement with the Blue River Association of GWCD's for the 1980 Observation Well Program as stated and reviewed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Stuhr

#### CLAY COUNTY RUNOFF INSPECTOR PAYMENT FOR 1979

White made the motion (Motion #5) that the bill from the Clay County GWCD for \$548.69 for 1/3 of the costs of a Runoff Inspector for 1979 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, White,  
Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Stuhr

#### CONTROL AREA POLICIES

White reported that the Water Committee discussed several questions received from various individuals concerning Control Area policies. The Committee will be addressing these over the next several months.

#### LEGISLATION

White reported that the Water Committee discussed L.B. 643 which is now a combined version of L.B.'s 643, 830 and 984.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

McLean gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held March 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3

Bitner, Turnbull and Feather gave an updated report on the School Creek Site #3 Project, concerning costs, benefits and economics of the project. A corrected estimated rate of return at this time is approximately 2.99%. 28 people from the project Area were in attendance at the Board Meeting. A long discussion was held concerning the project involving the Board, staff and guests from the area. The Projects Committee was directed to further review and reconsider this Project.

#### LEONARD MICEK RE-USE PIT APPLICATION

McLean made the motion (Motion #6) to grant tentative approval for reactivation of an application for cost-share assistance to Leonard Micek in the amount of \$1,195.77 on a re-use pit, and to waive previous cancellation of the application. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Ehlers

#### DAM FAILURE PROTECTION

McLean reported that a presentation was made to the Projects Committee by Barry Butterfield, HDR, explaining a new technique being developed by them to protect against earth fill collapse due to overtopping.

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

McLean made the motion (motion #7) to grant tentative approval to two land treatment practices as submitted in the amount of \$3,309.08. Seconded by Anderson. A brief discussion was held concerning the land treatment assistance policy concerning eligibility of practices. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne, Schneider  
ABSENT: Ehlers

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS McLean made the motion (Motion #8) to grant final approval on two land treatment practices as submitted in the amount of \$3,153.73. Seconded by Kuska. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,

White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FINAL APPROVAL

McLean made the motion (Motion #9) to grant final approval on the Donald Bohuslavsky, Butler County, land treatment practice for L.B. 450 Funds (Nebr. Water Conservation Program) as submitted in the amount of \$3,683.30. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers

Bitner reported that the appointed Land Treatment Policy Sub-Committee will be meeting in the very near future to discuss various details and problems of our Land Treatment Program.

McLean announced that a Projects Committee meeting will be held following the Board Meeting this evening.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Education Committee meeting held March 13, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

1980 SOIL CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP WEEK

Obermier made the motion (Motion #10) that the District recognize 1980 Soil Stewardship Week by funding the church bulletin inserts, at a cost of \$160. Seconded by Anderson. To date 51 churches have indicated their participation (over 9,000 inserts). Soil Stewardship Week is May 11-18, 1980. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers

JOINT NRD CONSERVATION EDUCATION TEACHER WORKSHOP

Obermier made the motion (motion #11) to grant six teachers from the District minischolarships at \$100 each. Total cost of the workshop is \$150 per participant. Seconded by White. The 5th Annual Environmental Education Institute will be held May 27-June 6, 1980, at Camp Jefferson, near Fairbury. This workshop is in cooperation with Lower Big Blue and Little Blue NRDs. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore

NAY: Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Ronne  
ABSENT: Ehlers

NATIONAL CONSERVATION WORKSHOP FOR YOUTH - CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Obermier reported that the Education Committee agreed to not participate in promoting this program, because of prohibitive cost and difficulty of delegate selection.

FURTHER YOUTH INVOLVEMENT

Obermier reported that the Education Committee discussed involving Youth Conservation Boards in the NRD. The staff will further investigate this consideration.

#### FUTURE AG TOURS

Discussion was held on funding of future soil and water conservation tours in the District. Obermier made the motion (Motion #12) to allocate \$500 for future ag tours, with a \$150 maximum limit for each tour. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers

#### BUDGET, PLANNING AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee meeting on March 26, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #13) to accept the Resources Development Fund Contract for the funding of the Central Butler Project, and that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to sign the NNRC Contract #21, as stated, with the provision that such approval be contingent on our legal counsel's favorable opinion of the contract. Seconded by Anderson. A short discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kuska

ABSENT: Ehlers

#### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Stuhr reported that pertinent bills were reviewed by the Committee. L.B. 643 was among those discussed in some detail (the late permit and AD HOC Water Bill)

Stuhr also reported that Legislative amendments concerning NRD's Eminent Domain authority was discussed by the Committee. Board discussion followed concerning the intent of this legislation. Anderson made the motion (Motion #14) that staff be directed to draft a board policy statement on eminent domain, reflecting that the District can not operate with limited or no eminent domain authority. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, McLean, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers

Further discussion of current legislation was held.

#### LEGAL DEFENSE FUND - NARD

Stuhr reported that the Committee reviewed the presentation from the NARD concerning two requests for legal funding. The Lower Big Blue NRD, a condemnation action, and the Lower Platte South NRD, a directors election methods case, are presented. A video tape has been prepared on the NARD Legal Defense Fund requests. It was directed by the Committee that all of the Board members should view this video tape to facilitate a board decision to be considered at the April Board meeting.

#### MILEAGE EXPENSES

Stuhr reported that the Committee discussed that at a future date the NRD should consider mileage expenses to be paid for NRD technicians field work while on SCS business. This is because of the current mileage restrictions imposed on the SCS from the federal level.

The Executive Committee meeting was cancelled, no report.

WASHINGTON, D.C., CONTACT TRIP REPORT

The staff and Directors attending the Washington, D.C., Contact Trip March 16-21, 1980, gave reports on various meetings they attended and the many agencies and federal persons they visited with. They reported that the trip was very beneficial and worthwhile.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
February 20, 1980

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m. at -the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Proj. Dept. Mgr.
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Department Mgr,
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Stan Staab, Information Department Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Kenneth Feather, P-F-W Department Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Linda Sjuts, Administrative Secretary
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Jim McLean, Director	Bob Foster, A.C., Area V SCS, Grand Island
Norman Obermier, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co., D.C., York
Kenneth Regier, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. D.C., Geneva
Max Ronne, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCD's, York
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Keith Niemann, Extension Agent, York
	John Ortmann, York News-Times, York

ABSENT

Lowell Peters, Secretary  
Wayne Hansen, Director  
Melvin Kuska, Director  
Robert Schneider, Director  
Morris White, Director

NOTICE OF MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Revised Notice of Public Meeting" published February 14, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 12-Present, 5-Absent.

RCA PROGRAM REVIEW

Staab informed the Board that the District has been requested to review the RCA Program (USDA Soil and Water Resources conservation Act) by conducting this informational meeting today. Staab presented a slide show on the RCA Program. Discussion followed the slide show. It was stated that the RCA Program is concerned with land treatment and land management programs rather than water storage programs. A regional meeting to review the RCA Program will be held in Grand Island, February 28th, at the 1-80 Holiday Inn. Anderson made a motion (Motion #1) that staff be directed to draft testimony on the RCA Program and to submit it as comment for the District. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

RESIGNATION OF TREASURER

Moore read a letter of resignation from Jim McLean declining the position of Treasurer of the Upper Big Blue NRD, effective immediately. Burke made a motion (Motion #2) to accept the letter of resignation from Jim McLean declining -the position of Treasurer of the Upper Big Blue NRD. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE; Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

#### ELECTION OF TREASURER

Burke made the motion (Motion #3) to conduct the voting for election of Treasurer by secret ballot. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

Nominations for Treasurer were made of Robert Schneider and Roy Stuhr. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #4) that the nominations for Treasurer cease. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried. (Schneider-3; Stuhr-9).

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, white

Ronne made the motion (Motion #5) that the minutes of the January 17, 1980, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

#### BUDGET REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Turnbull reviewed the Budget Report and Financial Statement as of January 31, 1980. Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) to accept the Budget Report and Financial Statement as of January 31, 1980, as presented, to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

#### SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., introduced Bill Gilliam, York County D.C. Gilliam gave a brief resume' of himself and reported that he is conducting a land inventory and monitoring program for York County.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held February 8, 1-1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SCS OVERTIME REIMBURSEMENT

Kaiser made the motion (motion #7) to approve reimbursement of services to the USDA Soil Conservation Service in the amount of \$843.62, in accordance with our agreement, for overtime services provided during the 1979 construction season. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, white

#### COMMITTEE REORGANIZATION

Kaiser stated that the Executive Committee's recommendation of the 1980 Committee appointments be delayed until later in the meeting.

1980 GOODYEAR CONSERVATION AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING COOPERATOR

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #8) that Noel Eberspacher be nominated for the "Outstanding Cooperator" under the 1:980 Goodyear Conservation Award on the basis of his total conservation program. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

PROGRAMS AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Programs and Legislative Committee meeting held February 14, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

L.B. 984 and L.B. 985

Stuhr reported that the Programs and Legislative Committee discussed considerably these two bills, and it was decided by the Committee not to take a stand until the Committee becomes better informed.

HABITAT CONTRACTS - ANNUAL PAYMENTS

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #9) to approve the-February annual Wildlife Habitat contract payments for a total of \$3,775.25, on,227.3 acres. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

HAMPTON PARK PAYMENT

Stuhr reviewed the Village of Hampton's park. construction costs and the NRD's share of the estimated costs. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #10) to approve payment of.\$4,375..00 to the Village of Hampton for the construction of their village park. Seconded by Ehlers. The NRD's share is 25% of the estimated costs. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

HABITAT CONTRACTS - MARCH PAYMENTS (OATS & SWEET CLOVER)

Stuhr made the motion (motion #11) to approve payment for the Wildlife Habitat contracts under the two year program for oats and sweet clover. Payment to be made in March of \$2,593.00, for 59.2 acres. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Ronne, Schneider, White

HASTINGS ARBORETUM

Stuhr reported that the Committee recommends to hold off on the annual payment until the staff can come back with a film strip of this area using our video equipment. The Committee feels this would give the Board an idea of how our money is being spent. Staff to report at a later time.

LAND TREATMENT POLICY SUB-COMMITTEE

Stuhr reported that the members, chosen to -represent the Programs Committee on the Land Treatment Policy Sub-Committee are: Gerald Hegeholz, Roy Stuhr, Wayne Hansen and John Turnbull.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held February 14, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.



HASTINGS NW FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT

Burke made the motion (Motion #12) 1. that the Projects Department proceed as soon as possible with advertising for bids and awarding a construction contract on the Hastings NW Flood Control Dam. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Schneider, White

FRIESEN WATERSHED PROJECT - FINAL PAYMENT

Burke made the motion (Motion #13) to approve final payment to Biba Engineering in the amount of \$14,921.60 for completion of the Friesen Watershed Project. Seconded by Stuhr. Total contract is \$241,732.86. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers Hegeholz,, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Schneider, White

BAILEY FLOOD CONTROL DAM - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Burke made the motion (Motion .#14) to approve progress payment of \$1,798.00 to Slepicka Brothers for work completed through February 1, 1980, on the Bailey Flood Control Dam. Seconded by Stuhr. Contract to date-is \$62,585.88 The project is 96% complete and will be completed in early spring. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Burke made the motion (motion #15) to table the land treatment applications for tentative approval until the March Projects Committee meeting., Seconded by Stuhr. Burke withdrew his motion After reconsideration second concurred. Burke made the motion (Motion #16) to approve the land treatment applications for tentative approval as reviewed for a total of \$3,215.25. Seconded by Anderson. A short discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL

Burke made the motion (motion #17) to grant final approval for payment on the land treatment application as reviewed for \$2,592.97. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

L.B. 450 FINAL APPROVALS

Burke made the motion (Motion #18) to grant final approval the two, L.B. 450 land treatment cost-share applications, Jake Schaldecker, Fillmore County, terrace systems and outlets, water impoundment dam, \$4,220.89; and Jennie Sundberg, Polk County, terrace systems and outlets, \$2,415.46; for a total of \$6,637.35. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White, Moore

#### CONTRACTING OFFICER

Burke made the motion (Motion #19) to designate Jay Bitner as Contracting Officer, to enter into and administer construction contracts for the District during the 1980 construction season. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White, Moore

#### BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL LANDS - CONSERVATION PLANS

Burke made the motion (motion #20) to approve the current conservation plans for the Board of Educational Lands in York County as submitted. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

#### LAND TREATMENT POLICY SUB-COMMITTEE

Burke reported that the members chosen to represent the Projects Committee on the Land Treatment Policy Sub-Committee are: Lowell Peters, Jim McLean, Ray Burke and Jay Bitner.

#### COMMITTEE REORGANIZATION

Kaiser reported that the full Executive Committee has recommended appointments to the 1980 Committees. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #21) to approve the 1980 Committee appointments as set-up by the Executive Committee and to become effective immediately. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

Chairman Moore announced that the March Board Meeting will be delayed until the 27th at 7:00 p.m. Committee meetings to be held earlier in the month.

#### JOINT COMMITTEES' MEETING REPORT

McLean gave a report on the Joint Committees' meeting held this morning, February 14, 1980. The Committees reviewed various legislative bills, primarily L.B. 984 and 985. Hearings will be held on these two bills tomorrow and it has been recommended that testimony be prepared for the record. McLean reviewed certain sections the Committees desired clarification in L.B. 984. Board discussion followed.

#### LEGISLATIVE BILLS 984 and 985

McLean made a motion (Motion #22) to instruct that testimony be given by John Turnbull, General Manager, that the District go on record as not in support or not in opposition of L.B. 984, but merely wish some points clarified-and some questions that we have answered. Seconded by Stuhr. Board discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

McLean reviewed that the Committees desired clarification and definition of Section 1, Item 2, Line 20, "domestic user" of L.B. 985. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #23) that the District go on record as not in support or not in opposition of L.B. 985, and that we arrive at a clarification on what is meant by "domestic user" in Section 1, Item 2, Line 20. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, McLean, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Kuska, Peters, Schneider, White

Turnbull announced that the computer terminal has been installed at the office. Directors may view its operation at their convenience.

NACD CONVENTION REPORT

The Directors and staff attending the 1980 NACD Convention at Houston, Texas, February 10-14, 1980, gave reports on sessions and tours they attended. All reported that the Convention was a very beneficial and educational experience. Slides taken at the Convention will be shown at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

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Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
January 17, 1980

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, Dist. Engineer, Proj. Dept. Mgr.
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Department Manager
Robert Schneider, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Information Department Manager
Raymond Burke, Director-at-Large	Kenneth Feather, operations Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Linda Sjuts, Administrative Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Wayne Hansen, Director	Harold Fausch, Seward Co. D.C., Seward
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. D.C., Geneva
Melvin Kuska, Director	Ruth Greene, District Clerk, York
Norman Obermier, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs, York
Kenneth Regier, Director	Bill Gilliam, SCS, Omaha
Max Ronne, Director	Abe Buller, York
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times, York
Roy Stuhr, Director	
Morris White, Director	

ABSENT

Jim McLean, Director

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Roll call was taken of the members present, with Kenneth Regier arriving later in the meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Burke made the motion (motion #1) to conduct the voting for election of officers by secret ballot. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Nominations for Chairman were made of Larry Moore. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) that the nominations for Chairman close and that a unanimous vote be cast for Larry Moore. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried. (Moore-14)

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Moore  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Nominations for Vice-Chairman were made of Roger Kaiser. Hansen made the motion (Motion #3) that the nominations for vice-Chairman cease and that a unanimous vote be cast for Roger Kaiser. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried. (Kaiser-14)

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

ELECTION OF TREASURER

Nominations for Treasurer were made of Robert Schneider,, Roy Stuhr and Jim McLean. Robert Schneider declined his nomination for election of Treasurer. Jim McLean was absent from the meeting. Burke made the motion (Motion #4) that the nominations for Treasurer cease. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried. (McLean-8; Stuhr-7).

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

ELECTION OR SECRETARY

Nominations for Secretary were made of Lowell Peters and Bob Ehlers. Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #5) that the nominations for Secretary cease. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried. (Ehlers-6; Peters-9)

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

NARD BOARD MEMBER

Nominations for NARD Board Member were made of Raymond Burke. Kuska made the motion (motion #6) that the nominations for NARD Board Member cease and that a unanimous vote be cast for Raymond Burke. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried. (Burke-14)

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

NARD ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER

Nominations for NARD Alternate Board Member were made of Morris White. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #7) that the nominations for NARD Alternate Board Member cease and that a unanimous vote be cast for Morris White. Seconded by Ehlers Question called. Motion carried. (White-14)

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: White  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., introduced the new District Conservationist for York County, Bill Gilliam of Omaha. He will begin work January 28th.

Griffin continued by giving a report on the new uses of P.L. 566 funds for projects within the Upper Big Blue NRD.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #8) that the minutes of the December 20, 1979, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Hansen  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

BUDGET REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Turnbull reviewed the Budget Report and Financial Statement as of December 31, 1979. white made the motion (motion #9) to accept the Budget Report and Financial Statement as of December 31, 1979, as presented, to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held January 10, 1979, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

DIRECTOR'S PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #10) to approve 4th Quarter Per Diem of \$1,005.00 and expenses of \$1,354.40 for the Directors. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

NE WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION DUES (NWRA)

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #11) that payment of \$360.00 -for 1980 District dues to the Nebraska Water Resources Association be made, and that the District also pay dues for only those individual directors and staff who desire to have individual memberships. Seconded by Anderson. Individual dues are \$15.00 each. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

NARD INDIVIDUAL DUES

NARD individual memberships were discussed. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #12) that the District pay individual dues to the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts for each Director, and also pay dues for those staff who desire individual memberships. Seconded by Burke. Individual dues are \$10.00. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kuska, Obermier,  
Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Moore  
ABSENT: McLean, Regier

NACD ENDOWMENT FUND HONORS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #13) that the District support the NACD Endowment Fund Memorial in Herman Link's name. Seconded by Anderson. The NARD recommended the possibility of earmarking the monies provided by Nebraska to the NACD Endowment Fund to memorials for individuals who have served Districts throughout the years or honorariums to those who have served Districts and are still living. Mr. Herman Link (deceased) was a director for the Central Platte NRD and past State Association president. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Regier  
ABSENT: McLean

GMDA TRANSPORTATION COSTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #14) to approve payment of \$575.00 to Volzke

Corporation and \$125.00 to Delbert Keith for flight expenses to the Groundwater Management Districts Association (GMDA) Conference, Colorado Springs, December 9-11, 1979. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Projects Committee meetings held January 10 and 17, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to grant tentative approval to the land treatment cost share application of Vern Anderson, Adams County, an irrigation re-use pit, \$898.17. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

Burke made the motion (Motion #16) to table the land treatment cost-share application of Leonard Micek, Adams County, until a future date due to the procedures in applying for assistance. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS

Burke reviewed the Projects Committee's recommendation to consider the land treatment applications for final approval according to extent tentatively approved or to the extent actually performed, whichever is least. The Projects Committee has revised their recommendation to grant final approval to the extent performed. Burke made the motion (Motion #17) to grant final approval for payment to the land treatment cost-share applications of the Jessie Langworthy Estate, Seward County, a terrace system, \$1,916.60; Helen Alexander, Butler County, C/F Terraces, a terrace system and a waterway, \$3,228.82; and Jake Schaldecker, Fillmore County, a diversion, \$722.82; for a total NRD cost-share payment of \$5,868.24. Seconded by Ronne. The cost-share assistance policy was discussed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Obermier, Ronne, Stuhr  
ABSENT: McLean

#### L.B. 450 PROGRAM

Turnbull reported that the District has received an additional apportionment of Unobligated Funds from the Nebraska Water Conservation Program (L.B. 450) of \$12,401.62, as of January 1, 1980.

#### LAND TREATMENT QUANTITY VARIANCE - L.B. 450 APPLICATION

Burke made the motion (Motion #18) to accept the quantity variances of the L.B. 450 Application of Jennie Sundberg, Polk County. Seconded by Anderson. The quantity variances involved the parallel cut/fill terraces measured in cubic yards and not linear feet as requested. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Schlueter, Schneider ABSENT: McLean

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - HDR PAYMENT

Burke made the motion (Motion #19) to approve payment of the Henningson-Durham the Richardson (HDR) Invoice #216 in the amount of \$5,103.62 for engineering services for School Creek Site#3. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Burke reported that the Projects Committee reviewed the status of all the projects currently being done by the District. The Board briefly discussed the Rising City, Surprise Drainage Study, the Groshans Dam, and a possible project in the Turkey creek area.

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - MASTER AGREEMENT

Turnbull reviewed and discussed the draft master agreement in detail with the Board. The other three sponsors will also review and be asked to adopt the master agreement for the Central Butler Water Management Project. Burke made the motion (Motion #20) to approve and adopt the Master Agreement for the Central Butler Water Management Project as reviewed. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

HASTINGS NW - BASHIAN BACK TAXES

Burke reported that the matter of the Bashian's property taxes due was discussed with the attorney. Burke made the motion (Motion #21) to approve payment of Jacqueline Bashian's property taxes remaining due of \$331.20 on the NE1/4 of Section 34, T8N, R10W, Adams County, as submitted. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

RISING CITY-SURPRISE DRAINAGE STUDY

Burke reported that the status of the Rising City-Surprise Drainage Study was discussed by the Committee. They reviewed some of the alternatives being evaluated. A meeting with the Steering Committee of the Study Area is scheduled for Thursday, January 24th at the NRD office.

LAND TREATMENT POLICY SUB-COMMITTEE

Burke made the motion (Motion #22) that the Projects Committee requests the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee to form a land treatment policy sub-committee for the purpose of developing an updated land treatment policy to be approved by the Board of Directors. Further, that three committee members and one staff member from the Projects Committee and the Programs Committee be assigned to the sub-committee. This sub-committee is to be terminated by the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee after the land treatment policy is updated. Seconded by Anderson. NOTE: The Chairman of each Committee shall designate the members of the sub-committee. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,



White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held January 10, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### GWCD RESOLUTION AND NRD SUPPORT

White made the motion (Motion #23) to adopt the Resolution in support of the extension of the Groundwater

Conservation Districts. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Regier, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Schneider, White, Moore

NAY: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Hansen, Peters, Stuhr

ABSENT: McLean

#### AD-HOC WATER BILL

White reported that the Water Committee forwarded discussion of the Ad-Hoc Water Bill to the Programs and Legislative Committee for consideration.

#### WEATHER STATIONS

White made the motion (Motion #24) to purchase and set up a weather station near York, to be used to determine crop water use data helpful in irrigation scheduling, at an approximate cost of \$1,750. Seconded by Kaiser. The Board discussed the weather station setup. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska,  
Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr,  
White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: McLean

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Education Committee meeting held January 1.0, 1980, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FUNDING 1979 AND FUTURE CONSERVATION FARM AWARD BANQUETS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #25) to accept as guideline policy for future award, banquets be handled as (a) tickets provided by the District for four members of the award family; (b) tickets provided by the District for two directors; (c) tickets provided by the District for two staff members; (d) one tickets provided by the District for SCS personnel; and (e) tickets provided by the District for two representing the sponsor (in the event the sponsor does not provide their own). Seconded by Kaiser. Stuhr amended motion #25 to make the motion (Motion #26) to amend part (b) to add "and their wives". Seconded by Ehlers. Discussion followed. Stuhr withdrew his amendment, second concurred. Kaiser amended motion #25 to make the motion (motion #27) to strike part (b) entirely. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne,  
Schneider, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Kuska, Schlueter, White

ABSTAIN: Hansen, Hegeholz

ABSENT: McLean

Discussion continued concerning the guidelines for future award banquets. Stuhr amended motion #25 to make the motion (Motion #28) to strike part (c) entirely. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schneider, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Kuska, Schlueter

ABSTAIN: White

ABSENT: McLean

Kuska amended motion #25 to make the motion (Motion #29) to include that tickets be provided for two District Directors and spouses, and two staff members and spouses that wish to attend the award banquet in that particular area where the award is being made. Seconded by Stuhr. Discussion followed. Question called. Amendment failed.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kuska, Obermier, Schlueter, Stuhr

NAY: Burke, Peters, Ronne, White

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Kaiser, Regier, Schneider, Moore

Discussion continued on the award banquet ticket guidelines. Hansen amended motion #25 to make the motion (Motion #30) to include that tickets be provided by the District for District Directors and spouses, and two staff members and spouses. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: McLean, Obermier

Discussion followed on the award banquet policy. Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: McLean

Staab reported on the first award farm banquet held in David City, January 10th. The award farm family was Frank Miriovsky, Butler County.

#### FUNDING FRIESEN-BERGEN RECOGNITION DINNERS OR SIMILAR EVENTS

Schlueter reported that the Education Committee feels that it would be best to handle each of the special event dinners and recognition affairs on an individual basis as they occur. With regard to the Friesen- Bergen Recognition Night, it was determined that the NRD would present each landowner who signed an easement with a certificate and a meal. The Recognition Night will be held January 21st at Henderson. All Directors are encouraged to attend this Recognition program. NO-TILL CONSERVATION Schlueter reported that the Education Committee discussed the concept of "No Till Conservation" methods and the possibility of reviving a program.

#### 1980 SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK

Schlueter reported that the Education Committee recommends that the District continue to pursue and observe Soil Stewardship Week.

#### PROGRAMS AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Programs and Legislative Committee meeting 'held January 10, 1979, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WATER COMMITTEE'S AD-HOC WATER BILL RECOMMENDATION

Turnbull reported that the Water Committee reviewed the Ad-Hoc Water Bill and forwarded a recommendation to the Programs and Legislative Committee for consideration. The Programs and Legislative Committee discussed the Bill and made a recommendation. Turnbull reviewed the recommendation with the Board. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #31) that the District supports the provisions of the proposed AD-HOC Water Bill Sections 1 through 23. That the District takes the following position on additional funding as proposed in this legislation and makes the following suggestions with regard to funds for groundwater management: That the Legislature recognize (1) that the current and proposed funding under the Groundwater Management Act is restricted solely to the administration of the control area; (2) that Natural Resources Districts have demonstrated effective and responsible management of public funds; (3) that in many areas structural measures are also needed to obtain proper management of groundwater; (4) that the interest and support of the general public, in the upper Big Blue NRD, suggests that further development

of water conservation efforts are needed in addition to regulations; and (5) therefore, if the Legislature chooses to increase the funding for groundwater management, the Upper Big Blue NRD urges the Legislature to remove the restrictions on those funds to the extent that the NRD Board of Directors may utilize them at their discretion for groundwater management efforts. Seconded by Schneider. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

#### WILDLIFE HABITAT ANNUAL PAYMENTS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #32) to make annual payments on the FY 77 and FY 78 Wildlife Habitat contracts as reviewed. FY 77 annual payments include a total of \$9,936.25 for 382.80 acres, and FY 78 annual payments include a total of \$6,334.00 for 346.8 acres. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried. (Detailed list included with these minutes.)

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

#### NEW HABITAT CONTRACTS

Hegeholz made the motion (motion #33) to accept the new applications as contracts under the Wildlife Habitat Program as reviewed, which include a total of 77.5 acres and annual payments of \$1,267.50. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Anderson  
ABSENT: McLean

#### UP-DATE ON WILDLIFE HABITAT PROGRAM

Hegeholz reported that the Programs and Legislative Committee was presented an up-date on the Wildlife Habitat Program.

#### NO-TILL CONSERVATION

The Programs Committee supports the Education Committee to further investigate the concept of no till farming, utilizing a Buffalo planter or similar implement.

#### PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Anderson gave a report on the Personnel and Equipment Committee meeting held January 10, 1979, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### TRACTOR REPAIR

Anderson made the motion (Motion #34) that the District's Ford tractor be repaired rather than trade for another tractor. Seconded by Burke. Repairs are estimated to be \$1,000 for engine work, possibly more. Board discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: McLean

#### 1980 WASHINGTON D.C. CONTACT TRIP

Moore reported that the annual Washington D.C. Contact Trip has been tentatively scheduled for March 16-21, 1980. Burke reviewed the expenses of the trip. Larry Moore, Ray Burke and John Turnbull have indicated their desire to attend this trip. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #35) to confirm the

delegates for the annual Washington D.C. trip as stated; Larry Moore, Ray Burke and John Turnbull. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Kuska, Obermier,  
Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Schneider, Stuhr, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Burke, Moore

ABSENT: McLean

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

/ls

Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
December 17, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	John C. Turnbull, General Manager
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Mgr.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Sec.
Raymond Burke, Director	Frank Hejna, Jr., Engineering Tech.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jeff Ball, Engineering Technician
Wayne Hansen, Director	Dave Clabaugh, Water Dept. Asst.
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Norman Obermier, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Geneva
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Rhoda Portis, D.C., Osceola
Kenneth Regier, Director	Bill Gilliam, D.C., York
Max Ronne, Director	Wayne Vanek, Technician, Aurora
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mark Nannen, Mgr, Blue River/GWCDs
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published December 7, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, with Andersen arriving later

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the November 19, 1981, regular Board of Directors Meeting as distributed.

Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., announced that he will be retiring from the SCS effective January 9, 1982. Harold Fausch, Seward County D.C. is also retiring in December, 1981. Griffin reported that William Gilliam, York Co. D.C. will be the Acting D.C. in Seward County, Wayne Vanek will be the Acting D.C. in Hamilton County and Mike Rabbe, Fillmore County D.C., will be the Acting Liaison D.C. until the hiring freeze is lifted. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) to thank Ray Griffin for his past services and valuable contributions to the District. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held December 9, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

BIG BLUE IRRIGATION PROJECT

Stuhr reported that the committee was briefed on the progress of the transbasin diversion project by the staff. Many details have been worked on including the computer program, pumping stations, canal sizing and routes,

reservoir sites, irrigation service areas, and delivery techniques. Available maps and charts of the project were reviewed and the Committee was advised by the district's attorney on various legal aspects of the project.

Turnbull reported that negotiations and agreements have been made with the other organizations involved in the Big Blue Irrigation Project, a project the district has been working on since 1974, as authorized by a board motion on May 6th of that year.

Turnbull reviewed the agreement between the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, the Platte River Whooping Crane Trust and the Upper Big Blue NRD (agreement attached to file copy of minutes). The agreement is to file a joint application for the Plum Creek Reservoir Site, Gosper County, Nebraska, for 315,000 acre feet of water for storage. Part of that water will eventually be used in the NRD's transbasin diversion plan to the Upper Big Blue Basin. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #3) that the District enter into the agreement concerning the Plum Creek Reservoir proposal (Gasper County), between the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, the Platte River Whooping Crane Habitat Maintenance Trust, Inc., and the Upper Big Blue NRD; and to authorize Larry Moore, as Chairman, to sign the same. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

Stuhr made the motion (motion #4) that the District submit a joint application to the Nebraska Department of Water Resources for appropriative surface water storage rights for the Plum Creek Reservoir (Gasper County), with the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, and the Platte River Whooping Crane Habitat Maintenance, Trust, Inc. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

Burke made the motion (Motion #5) that the District submit applications to the Nebraska Department of Water Resources for appropriative surface water storage rights for the following locations: Aurora Reservoir, Bradshaw Reservoir, Stockham Reservoir, Hampton Reservoir, Surprise Reservoir and the Beaver Crossing Reservoir. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

Burke made the motion (Motion #6) that the District submit applications to the Nebraska Department of Water Resources for appropriative surface water direct flow rights for the Aurora Service Area. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

Anderson made the motion (Motion #7) that the board authorize the hiring of the law firm of Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner and Kuester, to represent the District in acquiring the water rights and other necessary permits for the Big Blue Irrigation Project. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

Anderson made the motion (Motion #8) that the board authorize the staff and legal counsel to be the District's agents to sign and submit applications and permits for the Big Blue Irrigation Project. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #9) to authorize payment of the necessary fees for the water rights applications for the Big Blue Irrigation Project. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

Ehlers made motion (Motion #10) to authorize the staff and legal counsel to take necessary action to acquire the water rights and permits for the Big Blue Irrigation Project. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee Meeting held November 27F 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### BUILDING PLANS

Hansen reported that a motion was passed on November 19, 1981, directing the district to prepare complete design plans for two building configurations, one with a full basement and one without a basement. On November 25, 1981, the cost estimate of \$14,000 was received from the architects for additional design services. A special committee meeting was called to reconsider the need for two complete sets of plans. Current and future needs of the district, the suitability of the site for a basement, the cost estimates of each configuration, the desirability of one floor or two, and handicap access and fire code requirements were also considered and discussed. Hansen made the motion (Motion #11) that the building with the floor plan of the offices on the main floor and a full basement (one-half to be finished, dated 11-10-81) be designed and advertised for bids. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Ehlers, Obermier, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held December 8, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #12) that final approval be given to the two

NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,179.52. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: White

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #13) that final approval be given to the three L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$3,654.45. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: White, Moore

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #14) that tentative approval be given to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$5,943.83. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

SCHOOL CREEK #3 - PAYMENT OF SURVEYOR

Hegeholz Made the motion (Motion #15) that payment of \$8,880.50 be made to Dangberg and Associates for land survey work involved with School Creek Site #3 Project. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

Hegeholz reported that the District has received a favorable ruling in the Upper Big Blue NRD vs. Clay County Board of Zoning Adjustment case. The court found as follows: (1) that the Resources District is not subject to the zoning regulations adopted by the Clay County Board of Zoning Adjustment; (2) that the Resources District is not estopped to deny the jurisdiction of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, and (3) that the decision of the Board of Zoning Adjustment is declared to be null and void. Hegeholz reported that after the order is signed by the Judge, the appeal will be dismissed and the District will be free to go ahead with the project.

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #16) that tentative approval be given to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$3,072.57. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held December 9, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WATER RESOURCES INFORMATION PUBLICATION

Burke made the motion (Motion #17) that Graphics Printing of Seward print 1,000 copies of the NRD Water Resources book at an estimated cost of \$1,226.00. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr,



Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### 1982 NACD DUES

Burke made the motion (Motion #18) that \$375.00 be paid to the NACD for 1982 dues. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Peters, Volkmer

#### NARD DUES CONFLICT

Burke made the motion (Motion #19) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board resolve the matter of NARD dues by paying the amount of \$1,176.62 which is currently in arrears. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: Ehlers, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Ratliff

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held December 8, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FALL 1981 WATER LEVELS

Ronne reported that the average water level change from fall 1980 to fall 1981 was a rise of approximately 0.35 feet. Clay County was the only county with an average decline.

#### QUARTERLY WELL REPORT

Ronne reported that the committee reviewed a summary of the wells registered in the quarter ending September 30, 1981. There were a total of 82 wells registered in that quarter. The total registered wells in the district as of September 30, 1981 is (1) irrigation - 10,148, (2) Municipal, - 86, (3) Industrial - 11, (11) Other - 4.

#### HENDERSON RECORDER WELL

Ronne reported that the Conservation and Survey Division wants to drill a new recorder well to replace the one which was removed from the new Henderson golf course. Conservation and Survey has requested that the NRD pay for the drilling and casing of the new well as has been done in the past for other wells. Ronne made the motion (Motion #20) to pay for the drilling and casing of the new Henderson recorder well at an approximate cost of \$1,400.00. Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Regier

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of November 30, 1981. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #21) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of November 30, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Regier

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
November 19, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Ardean Andersen, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Mgr.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Raymond Burke, Director	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Norman Obermier, Director	William Gilliam, D.C., York
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mark Nannen, Mgr., Blue River Assn.
Kenneth Regier, Director	John Van Der Walker, Grand Island
Max Ronne, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Leonard Schlueter, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published November 9, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent, with Anderson and Regier arriving later.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the October 15, 1981, regular Board of Directors Meeting as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hansen, Regier

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C. presented the district with two copies of the 1981 RCA Program Report and Environmental Impact Statement. The USDA soil and water conservation questionnaire was discussed. Response must be made to the State Soil Conservation Service before January 15, 1982. Bill Gilliam, York Co. D.C. discussed a new program call "The Full-Time Farmer-Rancher Project". This is a nation-wide program that will be introduced in 1983. Nebraska is one of the ten, states selected as pilot projects and York County is one of the ten counties selected within the state. The FHA is the lead agency in the project. A developmental meeting is going to be held November 20, 1981, at 9:00 a.m. in the FHA office in York. A NRD board member or staff member is asked to serve on this committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held November 10, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

1982 WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #2) that the District send two directors and one staff person on the Washington D.C. lobbying trip in 1982. Further, that Roy Stuhr and Lowell Peters represent the District with Roger Kaiser as the alternate. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Peters, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Hansen, Regier

#### NARD DUES

Kaiser reported that the District, by board motion, paid only part of the 1982 NARD dues because the dues were more than 7% of the 1981 amount. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) that the District pay \$283 to the NARD for the balance owing on the FY 82 dues and to negotiate the amount due on the video equipment grant. Seconded by Burke. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ronne, Stuhr,  
White, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Hansen, Regier

#### SCS TECHNICIAN

Kaiser reported that a request was made of this District through the Lower Platte North NRD to assist in paying for the November salary for the temporary SCS technician in Butler County. Kaiser stated both the manager and the committee felt that his District cannot afford to pay for that assistance for two reasons. (1) the district is no longer employing field technicians and (2) the FY 1982 land treatment funds have all been obligated.

#### OSCEOLA FIELD OFFICE

Kaiser reported that the committee directed the manager to interview and hire a contractor to remodel the Osceola field office and to expect the expenses to be in the range of \$10,000. There being no objection from the board, the manager will proceed.

#### OUT-OF-STATE CONVENTION POLICY

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #4) that for any convention or conference held out of state, the policy be adopted that the district will send, at district expense, a maximum of two directors and one staff member. Seconded by Peters. The cost of attending out of state conventions versus the amount of information returned to the board was discussed. Burke made the motion (Motion #5) to amend the motion to read that the district will send, at district expense, a maximum of three directors and two-staff members, with the staff number being at the discretion of the general manager. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter,  
Stuhr, White Moore  
NAY: Andersen, Ehlers, Obermier, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ratliff  
ABSENT: Hansen, Regier

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: Andersen, Ehlers, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Obermier  
ABSENT: Hansen, Regier

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Building Committee Meeting held November 4, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### OFFICE BUILDING FLOOR PLAN

Turnbull reviewed a floor plan with the Board which included the offices on the first floor with a board room in a full basement (referred to as Plan D). The size and cost of the presented floor plan was discussed. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #6) that Plan D (the floor plan of the offices on the main

floor with a full basement, one-half of which is to be finished) go to bids. Seconded by Anderson. Further discussion followed on the amount of time that will be lost if the two-story building plan proves to be too expensive after bids are let. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #7) to amend the motion that two sets of plans, Plan D (the floor plan with offices on the main floor with a full basement, one-half of which is to be finished) and Plan B (the single floor plan with no basement) go to bid. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Regier, White

ABSENT: Hansen

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Regier, White

ABSENT: Hansen

#### ACCESS ROAD TO BUILDING SITE

Stuhr reported that the driveway to the building site has been completed by York County.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held November 9, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (motion #8) that tentative approval be given to the four NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$7,600.56. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that final approval be given to the six NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$11,174.95. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that tentative approval be given to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$1,794.62. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

ABSENT: Hansen

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) that final approval be given to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$2,911.55. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

Hegeholz reported that a L.B. 450 application for Frank Lavicky was submitted for final approval after the Projects Committee Meeting date. This application was tentatively approved in the amount of \$13,637.94. The final cost-share amount submitted was \$14,577.72, being a \$939.78 overrun. Discussion was held on the fact that the L.B. 450 fund is currently \$669 over-obligated. Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #12) that final approval be given to the Frank Lavicky L.B. 450 cost-share application in the amount of \$14,577.72. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Andersen, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Hegeholz, Peters, Ronne  
ABSENT: Hansen

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #13) that final approval be given to the Frank Lavicky L.B. 450 funded cost-share application in the amount of \$13,637.94. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### DORCHESTER WATERSHED - CHANNEL #1 IMPROVEMENT - FINAL PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #14) that final payment of \$4,467.00 be made to Ehlers Construction Company for work completed in October on the Dorchester Watershed Channel #1 Improvement Project. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### BECKLER DAM - SMITH CREEK WATERSHED

Hegeholz reported that the Projects Committee directed the staff to request that Seward County Board be involved in discussing easements with landowners.

#### SCHOOL CREEK #3

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #15) to reactivate the School Creek 43 land rights appraisal contract with Trampe & Associates not to exceed the original contract price. Seconded by Ronne. Turnbull stated that the court hearing was held November, 10, 1981, on the recreation question. The attorneys from both sides presented oral arguments and the District Judge asked for written briefs to be filed by November 24, 1981. A decision should be reached shortly. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### HORSESHOE BEND PROJECT, SUTTON - FINAL PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #16) that the District's 25% share in the project, \$496.41, be paid to the sponsors of the Horseshoe Bend Project in Sutton. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White,  
Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held November 10, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### EXETER SCHOOL OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

Burke made the motion (Motion #17) to grant final approval to the Exeter School's Outdoor Classroom in the amount of \$400. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Peters, Volkmer

ABSENT: Hansen

#### NRD WATER RESOURCES INFORMATION PUBLICATION

Staab reported that the new information booklet regarding ground and surface water has been completed and that it is time to determine how many copies of the publication should be printed. It was stated that the staff recommended 1,000 copies be printed but committee members felt a number of 200 would be more in order at this time. Two quotes were obtained from York Printing Company of York. 1,000 copies would cost a total of \$3,000 or \$3.00 per copy. 200 copies would cost a total of \$2,071.00 or \$10.36 per copy. The staff was directed to obtain quotes from several other printing companies on 200, 500, and 1,000 copies.

#### CAMP JEFFERSON TEACHER CONSERVATION WORKSHOP

Burke made the motion (Motion #18) to support six teachers from the Upper Big Blue NRD at \$178 per teacher for a total of \$1,068.00, if six teachers can participate. Further, that the teachers demonstrate a willingness to attend and be accountable. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore

NAY: Stuhr

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Hansen

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held November 3, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### MAJOR WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

Stuhr reported that the entire meeting was devoted to strategy for the project now referred to as the Big Blue Irrigation Project. Items covered were choice of attorneys, how to file for a diversion, cost of permits, cost of expected legal battle, planning to date, and planning remaining. Stuhr stated that the Committee will meet again in early December to discuss the project in detail and that all board members are urged to attend, so as to become fully aware of the options, costs and possible time table.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of October 31, 1981. Obermier made the motion (Motion #19) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of October 31, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White,  
Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Chairman Moore announced that the December Committee Meetings will be during the day. Also, the December Board of Directors Meeting will be at 9:00 a.m.

Those directors wishing to attend the Groundwater Management Districts Association annual conference in Lubbock, Texas on December 2 - 4, 1981, drew from a hat to determine who would attend. Delegates will be Morris White, Bruce Anderson, and Merlin Volkmer or Max Ronne.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary



MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
October 15, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Kenneth Regier, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Max Ronne, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	John Turnbull, General Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Nancy Schneider, Assist. Sec.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Raymond Burke, Director	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Mgr.
Wayne Hansen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks & Forestry
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Mark Nannen, Mgr. Blue River Assn
Norman Obermier, Director	Ray Griffin, Hamilton Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published October 5, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present 2 absent.

MINUTES

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the September 17, 1981, regular Board of Directors Meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., reported that the soil scientist in Hamilton County has been busy preparing for the State Land Judging Contest being sponsored by the Upper Big Blue NRD. The third quarter progress report was distributed to the directors.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held October 1, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

FY 82-86 LONG RANGE PLAN

Turnbull reviewed the FY 82-86 Long Range Plan with the Board of Directors. Anderson made the motion (Motion #2) to adopt the FY 82-86 Long Range Plan as reviewed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee Meeting held October 1, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

BUILDING PLANS

Hansen reported that the architects met with the Building Committee to review possible floor plans. The architects have prepared several floor plan layouts for the staff to consider and two basic plans have evolved from those discussions. "Plan A" is comprised of office space and functions on the ground floor with a board room and storage located in a basement. The other concept presented to the Committee consisted of the office space and board room all located on one floor. Hansen reported that the Committee considered the pros and cons of each idea at length, and concluded that the plan should include a walkout basement on the Southwest portion of the building, with a main entrance on the East. The Committee, after hearing the architect's advise, preferred the second concept, but with the addition of a partial basement. This plan was designated "Plan B" by the Committee. Hansen made the motion (Motion #3) to adopt the concept of "Plan B" with a partial unfinished basement. Seconded by Ehlers. Considerable discussion followed on the size, layout and cost of the proposed building plans. Moore made the motion (Motion #4) to table "Plan B" and send the matter back to Committee for reconsideration. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: Hansen, Ronne, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

#### ARCHITECT PAYMENT

Hansen made the motion (Motion #5) to approve payment of \$1,455.34 to Eugene Griffiths Company for architectural services through September 30, 1981. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held October 5, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the six (6) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$9,907.47. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Obermier  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one (1) L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$2,255.91. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

#### DORCHESTER WATERSHED - CHANNEL #1 IMPROVEMENT PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #8) that Ehlers Construction Company be paid \$8,741.80 for work completed on the Dorchester Watershed Channel #1 Project through September 30, 1981. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

SCHOOL CREEK #3 - APPRAISER PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors pay Trampe Appraisal Company \$6,000.00 for services rendered on the School Creek Project in Clay County, Nebraska. The following data has been obtained: (1) Sales Research, (2) Sales Data, (3) Subject Property and Neighborhood Analysis, and (4) Soil Maps. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

LAND TREATMENT - POLICY VARIANCE

Ehlers reported that a request for land treatment policy variance was presented. The request is that a land treatment application be allowed for a road dam in Polk County such that the upstream landowner would pay 25 and the NRD would pay 75 percent of the county average cost for building a dam in the field. The County would pay all additional costs for building the dam on the road. The upstream landowner would be the owner of record on the dam, and the NRD payment would be to the landowner. The SCS will provide design and construction inspection. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #10) that the SCS prepare an application for Waller Dam in Polk County so that it conforms to SCS criteria for land treatment dams. The NRD will cost-share 75% of the county average cost for building the structure in the field. The landowner will pay 25% of the county average cost. The final design of the structure will be on the road with the county paying the cost differential. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

RAWHIDE PROJECT - LEGAL DEFENSE FUND ASSISTANCE

Turnbull reported that last month the Judge in the District Court proceeding ruled that the Natural Resources Commission and the Natural Resources District were required to establish rules and regulations establishing minimum feasibility standards and minimum due process standards of notice and hearing for the creation of general benefit projects and/or special benefit projects of the natural resources district. In so ruling, the Court found that the creation of the Rawhide Flood Control Project and the denial of the creation of a Trouble Creek/Rawhide Creek Improvement Project area by the Lower Platte North NRD was based upon unlawful procedures and violation of the petitioner's constitutional rights of due process and, therefore, vacated and set the decision of the district aside. A motion for a new trial in the District Court was set aside in the last few days and preparations are underway for appeal of the decision to the Nebraska Supreme Court. Turnbull reported that a formal request for assistance from the State Association through the Legal Defense Fund will be submitted to the NARD Board of Directors at their November meeting. The policy regarding the use of the Legal Defense Fund requires that the subject be discussed at one meeting and laid over for consideration at a later meeting.

Turnbull said that it was the opinion of the NARD Executive Committee that an emergency exists and that policy should be specially modified for this situation so that action may be taken to formalize the Association's involvement at the November 10, 1981. Association Board meeting. Moore made the motion (Motion #11) to direct Ray Burke, NARD Board Member, to support NARD participation in the Rawhide case and to support emergency action at the November NARD Board Meeting. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Schlueter, White

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #12) to make application to the Nebraska Association of Resources District's Legal Defense Fund in regard to the zoning application on the School Creek Site #3 Project. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Obermier, Volkmer

ABSENT: Schlueter, White

#### CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #13) to go into Executive Session at 10:00 p.m. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Schlueter, White

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) to return to Regular Session at 10:45 p.m. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Schlueter, White

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #14) to authorize staff and legal counsel to take appropriate legal action in the suit (petition for permanent injunction) brought against the District, in Butler County District Court, by Joseph Hladky, concerning the airport drainage portion of the Central Butler Water Management Project, and further to coordinate this matter with the other three sponsors. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Schlueter, White

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held October 6, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

#### IRRIGATION SCHEDULING 1981 PROGRAM FINAL BILLING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #15) that the Blue River Association of GWCDs be paid the balance due of \$2,795.56 as final payment for the 1981 Irrigation Scheduling Program. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Schlueter, White

#### FUTURE IRRIGATION SCHEDULING PROGRAMS

Ronne reported that the Water Committee discussed the NRD's future participation in the Irrigation Scheduling Program. In May, the Board of Directors voted not to participate financially in future scheduling program areas of the NRD synonymous with the GWCD. The Committee discussed what should be done about the program in Adams, Saline, Butler and Polk counties. Ronne reported that the Committee unanimously voted to not participate financially in an Irrigation Scheduling Program. The general feeling of the Committee was that the participation in these counties was very low and many participants were repeats. Therefore, the program was more service-oriented than educational. The Committee felt that the NRD must continue to promote

scheduling as a good energy and water conservation practice.

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Anderson gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Report held October 8, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### OCTOBER WILDLIFE PAYMENTS

Anderson made the motion (Motion #16) that the District make annual payments in the amount of \$1,946.24 for acres in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Schlueter, White

#### NOVEMBER WILDLIFE PAYMENTS

Anderson made the motion (Motion #17) to make annual payments of \$3,766.00 for acres in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer,  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Schlueter, White

#### NEW HABITAT CONTRACTS

Anderson made the motion (Motion #18) that the NRD accept the new cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program as reviewed for a total of 71 acres and annual payments of \$1,227.50. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Schlueter, White

#### TREE PROGRAM FOR FY 1982

Anderson made the motion (Motion #19) to charge 23¢ per tree, 21¢ per tree for planting, and 6¢ per tree for spraying for a total of 50¢ per tree in the 1982 Tree Planting Program. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Schlueter, White

#### VILLAGE OF DWIGHT PARK

Anderson made the motion (Motion #20) to pay the Village of Dwight a sum of \$7,071.13 for the Village Park that was constructed last spring. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Schlueter, White

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held October 8, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### THIRD QUARTER PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #21) that the third quarter per them of \$2,655.00 and expenses of \$1,859.08 be approved for payment. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Moore, Schlueter, White

OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #22) that the NRD purchase a fire-proof file cabinet from Eakes Office Equipment in the amount of \$755.00 plus freight. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer

NAY: None

ABSENT: Moore, Schlueter, White

NARD PRESENTATION

Stuhr reported that Lee Orton and Gordon Kissel, NARD, met with the Executive Committee for a two hour discussion on the NARD responsibilities, the NARD Foundation and the Conservation Corporation.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of September 30, 1981. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #23) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of September 30, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer

NAY: None

ABSENT: Moore, Obermier, Schlueter, White

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
September 4, 1981

A Special Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 1:43 p.m. at the York County Extension Office Conference Room, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Kenneth Regier, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Max Ronne, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Bruce Anderson, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Raymond Burke, Director	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Sec.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Wayne Hansen, Director	Eugene Griffiths, Eugene Griffiths/Co.
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Al Kam, Eugene Griffiths/Co.
Norman Obermier, Director	Joe Radcliff, Radcliff Construction
Raymond Ratliff, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published August 29, 1981, in the York News Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 13 present, 4 absent.

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Building Committee meeting held August 27, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

SELECTION OF ARCHITECT

Ronne reported that the committee met with three architectural firms for the purpose of selecting one firm to design a building for the district. Each firm presented samples of work and discussed the design procedure, time requirements, structure layout possibilities, and fee proposal.

Ronne made the motion (Motion #1) that the Board of Directors enter into a contract with Eugene Griffiths Company from Hastings, Nebraska to provide the following services at \$20.00 per hour plus expenses, not to exceed the fee total for each phase as specified. (1) Building and space programming - \$3,500, (2) Site space programming \$1,200, (3) Structural Design - \$700, (4) Mechanical/Electrical Design - \$4,000, (5) Supplemental Engineer (soil test) - \$1,500, (6) Design coordination - \$4,600, (7) Construction Services - \$12,000. Total cost \$27,500. Ronne further moved that the Building Committee be authorized to proceed with proposal items 1 and 2 as follows:

Item 1 - BUILDING AND SPACE PROGRAMMING

The architect will work with the District's staff and Building Committee to develop a floor plan and to select basic structure building materials. The architect will develop life cycle cost analysis and comparisons. The architect will develop one variation of a basic floor plan furnished by the District and will develop two independent floor plans. The architect will quantify each floor plan or space utilization program in terms of net unusable area (space occupied by offices, work stations, file storage, and equipment), and net circulation area (square footage required to circulate within the net unusable area and other areas within the core of the building). The floor plans and life cycle cost analyses will be presented to the Building Committee for selection of one floor plan and basic building materials to be used for the balance of design work.

Item 2 - SITE SPACE PROGRAMMING

The architect will use the site specified on the attached plan to provide site plan analysis for two alternatives of building

orientation, parking, utilities, drainage, access road, and landscape. Each site plan analysis will include as a minimum a plan view drawing at a scale suitable for committee presentations and elevation views of the proposed structure on the site. Site development will be consistent with the natural resources conservation theme of the District. Upon committee selection of one plan, the architect will furnish a rendering of the site and building prior to detailed working drawing preparation.

Motion was seconded by Burke. Several questions were directed to and answered by the architects on their proposal and it's contents. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, White

#### INFORMATION

The proposed building project schedule is as follows:

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|----------------------------------|---|
| September, 1981                  | - Select Architect  |
| October 1, 1981 to January, 1982 | - Architectural design and apply for building permits and zoning clearances |
| February, 1982 to March, 1982    | - Advertise for bids and award contract                                     |
| April, 1982 to September, 1982   | - Construction  |
| October 1, 1982                  | - District move to new location   |

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

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Lower Peters, Secretary



MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
September 17, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:06 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Mgr.
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Jeff Ball, Engineering Tech.
Raymond Burke, Director	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks/Forestry Dept.
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Frank Hejna, Jr., Engin. Tech.
Norman Obermier, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Ken Franzen, D.C., Hastings
Kenneth Regier, Director	Harlan Hendricks, D.C., David City
Max Ronne, Director	Lori Potter, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published September 8, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present with Hansen arriving later in the meeting. 15 present, 2 absent.

MINUTES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the August 20, 1981, regular Board of Directors Meeting as distributed. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hansen, Volkmer

Burke made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the minutes of the September 4, 1981, special Board of Directors Meeting as distributed. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: White

ABSENT: Anderson, Hansen, Volkmer

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., introduced Harlan Hendricks, and reported that he is presently the District Conservationist in Butler County. Ken Franzen, Adams County D.C. reported on his office's activities with erosion inventory, a procedure associated with the Resources Conservation Act.

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held September 8, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

LATE PERMITS

Ronne reported that Jean Kuhl and Gordon McGowan met with the Committee. They explained to the Committee that they had misunderstood what the requirements were for drilling a well to be connected to another well in a series. Aleeta

C. Wilson is an absentee landowner and is represented by E.H. Powell from Aurora, who did not attend the Committee meeting. Mr. Powell contacted the staff and explained that the well driller and he had a misunderstanding and for that reason a permit was not obtained. Ronne made the motion (Motion #3) that Jean Kuhl's application for a late permit be forwarded to the Department of Water Resources for approval upon receipt of the \$275 fee and that Aleeta C. Wilson and E.H. Powell's late permit also be submitted to the Department of Water Resources for approval. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hansen, Volkmer

#### TRANSFER OF GROUNDWATER

Ronne reported that the Committee discussed the proposal for restricting groundwater transfer. No action was taken at this time because the Committee is waiting for more input from the Groundwater Conservation Districts and other Board Members. The majority of the November and December Water Committee Meetings will be devoted to this subject-

#### INFORMATION

Ronne reported that the District has received notice that approximately 135 water users from the Blue River, upstream from the mouth of the West Fork will be required to install meters prior to pumping from the river in 1982. The Department of Water Resources is requiring this because of the severe shortages of water in the Blue River in past years and the difficulty in administering water rights.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held September 14, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #4) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the fourteen (14) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$25,087.25. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hansen

ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #5) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one (1) NRD funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$2,040.15. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the two (2) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$3,884.73. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion#7) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the four (4) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$5,548.58. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - LEGAL FEES

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that the law firm of Luebs, Dowding, Beltzer, Leininger and Smith be paid \$5,055.26 for services to date on the School Creek Site #3 Project including zoning case and court work on survey rights. Seconded by White. Discussion followed on the amount of time spent by the attorney and his fees. Question called. Motion called.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - PROJECT SCHEDULE

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that no further appraisal work be completed on the School Creek #3 project until the Clay County Board takes action concerning closure of the bridge located between Sections 23 and 26, Township 8 North, Range 5 West. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White  
NAY: Hansen, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Peters, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

Obermier made the motion (Motion #10) that the Upper Big Blue NRD notify the Clay County Board of Commissioners and Zoning Board that either they proceed to take action to close both the North and South roads of the proposed dam and forward their action to this board within 30 working days or we will abandon the School Creek Site #3 Project. Seconded by Ronne. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Obermier  
NAY: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

BULGRIN DAM - PROJECT MAINTENANCE

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) that the Ehlers Construction Company be paid \$6,530.91 for maintenance work on the downstream face of the Bulgrin Dam to prevent erosion and improve spillway outlet. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT

Hegeholz reported that the land rights (easements) are now being acquired for the Struebing Dam. The Richard Struebing settlement also includes this district developing a habitat contract in the permanent and flood pool area which includes fencing. The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and NRD staff are working on a reasonable solution including Game and Parks financial assistance on the fence. Klosterman is interested in water rights, which needs to be resolved. The Lower Platte North NRD is currently negotiating an easement with Mr. Klosterman.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held September 15, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FY 81 AUDIT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #12) to accept the FY 81 audit as prepared by Romans, Wiemer & Schulz, CPAs of York. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

LONG RANGE PLANNING

Stuhr reported that the outline of the long range plan was reviewed. The budget projections were discussed in detail. The programs were discussed along with how to best balance overhead costs with expenditures for the District's programs and construction activities. Tax limitation and projections were evaluated. The staff is to make adjustments in the plan for committee review in October.

SCS CLERKS

Stuhr reported that the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee recommends to the Executive Committee that the SCS clerk hours be set at 24 hours per week, effective July 1, 1982, and that the clerk currently working 20 hours remain at 20 hours per week and further, that if any District Conservationist feels increased hours are necessary that they come to the Executive Committee with a workload analysis to justify the need for the increase.

RATINGS OF DISTRICT PROGRAMS

The staff presented a list of the District's programs to the board members and others present and then asked them to rate them in order of preference. The results will be calculated and used to assist in the long range planning.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held September 9, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

STATE LAND JUDGING CONTEST

The Upper Big Blue NRD will host the state land judging contest on October 17, 1981, and will be assisted by the York County Extension Service, Soil Conservation Service and ASCS Office. Ratliff reported that any volunteer help from the directors would be appreciated.

SEWARD FFA WILDLIFE PROJECT

Ratliff reported that Alan Sleight, a Junior at Seward High School, plans to develop a wildlife project on three acres of the family farm near Milford. This project will be developed over a two year period with tree planting, shrubs, native grasses, etc. The project will be utilized by the FFA classes at Seward and will also be available to other students for study. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #13) that \$150 be granted to Alan Sleight to be used for wildlife habitat development on a 3 acre FFA project. The project will be documented and a report presented to the Education Committee. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

1981 CONSERVATION FARM AWARDS

Ratliff reported that the Committee looked at the color picture proofs recently received from the photographer for the 1981 farm awards. The committee generally felt the pictures were good. The next step will be the landowner and staff selecting a final proof and then obtaining a sponsor and

securing a time and organization for public presentation.

#### OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

Ratliff reported that the staff will present a program to the Exeter School administration and teachers regarding establishment of an outdoor classroom. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #14) that Exeter Schools be presented with a \$400 grant to help establish an outdoor classroom pending the school's plan and application for this classroom and final approval by the NRD board and staff. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held September 10, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SEWARD PARK

Schlueter made the motion (motion #15) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make final payment of \$12,500 to the City of Seward for the development of the Seward Park. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

#### UTICA PARK

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #16) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make payment of \$154.74 to the Village of Utica for the construction of the village park facilities. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

#### WILDLIFE PAYMENTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #17) to approve annual payments totaling \$3,423.50 on 243.4 acres of land enrolled in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program, as reviewed. Seconded by Hegeholz. 75% of the total is paid by the Game and Parks Commission and 25% is paid by the Upper Big Blue NRD. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

#### NATIVE GRASS SEED AND GROUND PREPARATION REIMBURSEMENTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #18) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make payment of \$673.65 to Al Perrien, \$134.10 to Robert Bettger, \$417.90 to Marquerite Bosankc, and \$23.75 to Kenneth Kaulk for native grass seed and ground preparation on their wildlife areas for a total of \$1,249.40. The Game and Parks

Commission will reimburse the District 100%. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

#### CORDOVA COMMUNITY CENTER

Schlueter reported that the Committee had been approached by Cordova to financially help build a community center. Schlueter reported that the

Committee felt that community centers do not come under the facilities built into the Parks and Recreation Program and that the District should not get involved with villages and towns in building them. Grants are available from Housing Urban Development for these kinds of projects.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of August 31, 1981. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #19) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of August 31, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Obermier.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Volkmer

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
August 20, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bruce Anderson, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Raymond Burke, Director	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec.
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Aurora
Norman Obermier, Director	Les Hoins, SCS, Wilber
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Rhoda Portis, D.C., Osceola
Kenneth Regier, Director	Bill Kruse, Seward Co. Commissioner
Max Ronne, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs

John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published August 10, 1981, in the York News-Times. at the District office. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the July 16, 1981, regular Board of Directors Meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held August 5, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

FY 82 BUDGET

Burke made the motion (Motion #2) to adopt the FY 1982 Budget as presented at the Budget Hearing. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

NOT VOTING: Hegeholz, Ronne, Volkmer

PLATTE RIVER SYSTEM PRESENTATION

Stuhr reported that John Vanderwalker presented slides about wildlife habitat planning to the Committee. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #3) to support John Vanderwalker's study of the Platte River system as presented to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission and that the NRD request the Commission to cooperate with Mr. Vanderwalker and report the results of the study to the Upper Big Blue NRD. Seconded by Anderson. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz  
ABSENT: Andersen

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., introduced Rhoda Portis, the new D.C. in Polk County. Griffin reported that a temporary Technician, Henry Singleton, from Mississippi, will be starting work at the York SCS Office on August 31, 1981. A discussion was held concerning the rights of an individual to use a natural stream to collect and reuse groundwater irrigation runoff.

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee Meeting held August 4, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

LAND

Hansen reported that three building sites had been considered by the Committee. Hansen made the motion (Motion #4) that the District purchase 3 acres in Section 7, Township 10 North, Range 2 West in York County, for a total price of \$42,000.00, from Rex Wochner for the purpose of a district headquarters office and facilities site. Seconded by Ronne. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Andersen

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held August 4, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

VOTING DELEGATES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #5) that Larry Moore be designated as delegate and Roger Kaiser as alternate delegate to the 1981 NARD Conference in September. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Moore  
ABSENT: Andersen

NARD RESOLUTIONS

Kaiser reviewed the resolutions to be considered at the 1981 NARD Conference in September

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #6) to support Resolution 81-1 regarding raising directors' per them rates. Seconded by Hansen. Discussion followed on the large increase and the fact that it would be exempted from the restrictions of the Nebraska Budget Limit Act. Some felt the number of days allowed per year should be raised instead of the compensation per day. It was pointed out that the recommended \$35 per day is the ceiling for directors' per them and that amount does not have to be paid. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Ehlers, Ratliff, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Moore  
ABSENT: Andersen

Resolution 81-2 regarding amendments to the Water Conservation Fund was discussed. By a show of hands, the board directed the delegates to oppose this



resolution at the conference.

Resolution 81-3 regarding hazardous waste disposal sites was discussed. The board directed the delegates to abstain from voting on this resolution until more information could be obtained. After the facts are heard, the delegates are to vote according to their judgement.

Resolution 81-4 regarding cooperation and support by interested parties for water storage projects that create additional usable water for Nebraska was discussed. By a show of hands, the board instructed the delegates to support this resolution.

Resolution 81-5 regarding NRD collection of tax funds from county treasurers was considered. By a show of hands, the board directed the delegates to support this resolution.

Resolution 81-6 regarding the NACD convention for Omaha was discussed. The board instructed the delegates to support this resolution.

Resolution 81-7 regarding the proposed amendments to the NARD resolutions procedure was reviewed. The board directed the delegates to support this resolution.

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #7) to present and support a resolution at the NARD conference in September to exempt NRDs from State sales tax. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

#### OSCEOLA FIELD OFFICE LEASE

The new Osceola field office lease reflecting the increase in rent for remodeling of the building was discussed. Due to confusion in the exact amount of remodeling costs agreed upon by the SCS and the General Manager, Stuhr made the motion to table the Osceola field office lease until the September Board Meeting. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Ehlers, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Stuhr

NAY: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Ronne, White, Moore

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Schlueter, Volkmer

ABSENT: Andersen

Ronne made the motion (Motion #9) that the Executive Committee attempt to resolve the SCS rent amount on the Osceola field office. Further, if the rent is not resolved by the September Board of Directors meeting, the issue should be brought back

to the Board for action. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Peters

ABSENT: Andersen

#### FY 1981 ANNUAL REPORT

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #10) to adopt the FY 1981 Annual Report as presented. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held August 11, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES - NRD POLICY CONFLICT REGARDING GROUNDWATER RUNOFF

Ronne reported that Rod DeBuhr and Mark Nannen had met with Mike Jess of tile Department of Water Resources to discuss possible solutions to the conflicts between the NRD and GWCDs runoff regulations and the State's administration of water rights. Ronne reported that the staff has drafted the following proposed legislative change: "Any person who has constructed a pit in connection with a natural stream for the purpose of reusing groundwater irrigation runoff may collect and reuse such runoff without restriction and shall be exempt from the provisions of Chapter 46, Article 2 provided, (1) that the groundwater irrigation runoff-is reused on the land of origin or on land adjacent to the land of origin, (2) that in the judgement of the Department of Water Resources the use of the pit does not interfere with tile administration of the waters of the natural streams which are subject to the provisions of Chapter 46, Article 2, and (3) that the person using the pit has been granted a permit under the provisions of section 46-637." Ronne reported that the committee took action to support the concept of this proposal and directed staff to continue to research the solutions to this situation. Discussion followed.

POLICY DISCUSSION OF TRANSFER OF GROUNDWATER TO NON-OVERLYING LANDS

Ronne reported that the committee directed staff to obtain a legal opinion of the first draft proposed regulation concerning transfer of groundwater to non-overlying lands and to submit the proposal to the GWCDs for their suggestions and opinions on the matter.

WELL PERMITS

Ronne reported that the Department of Water Resources has proposed that the NRDs be solely responsible for the issuance of permits for wells in the control area. This will require amendments to existing statutes. Ronne reported that Committee action was taken to support the proposed legislation to transfer the permit. procedure entirely from the State to the NRDs and forward this proposal to the District's Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee for their consideration.

SCS FIELD OFFICE CLERKS

Ronne reported that in accordance with board action taken at the July, 1981, board meeting, the Water Committee took action on the SCS clerks' hours. Ronne stated that the Water Committee recommends to the Executive Committee that the SCS clerk hours be set at 24 hours per week and that the clerk currently working 20 hours remain at 20 hours per week and further that if any District Conservationist feels increased hours are necessary that they come in with a workload analysis to justify the need for the increase.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Bitner reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of July 31, 1981. Hansen made the motion (Motion #11) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of July 31, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Schlueter

ABSENT: Andersen

PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held August 10, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUND - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion 12) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the eleven (11) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$41,680.70. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Obermier, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Andersen

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUND - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #13) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the two (2) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$1,906.30. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Andersen

#### BECKLER DAM - PAYMENT - WESTERN LABS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #14) that the Board of Directors give approval for payment of \$1,758.81 to Western Laboratories for engineering services on embankment and foundation design of the Beckler Dam. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

#### FRIESEN WATERSHED - OTT CROSSING - PROJECT 0 & M

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #15) that the Board of Directors give approval for payment of \$150.00 to Ehlers Construction of Utica for seeding and mulching on the Friesen Watershed Ott Crossing. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

#### DORCHESTER WATERSHED CHANNEL #3 - DESIGN

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #16) that the Board of Directors authorize the Projects Department to complete final design for Channel #3 extension and negotiate construction costs with Ehlers as an extension of their contract on Channel #1 subject to board approval. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #17) to go, into Executive Session at 11:15 p.m. to discuss School Creek Site #3 land appraisal instructions. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #18) to return to regular session at 12:26 a.m.  
Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White,  
Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 a.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
July 16, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:04 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Roy Stuhr, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Morris White, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Raymond Burke, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ken Feather, Parks/Forestry Mgr.
Wayne Hansen, Director	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison DC, Ham. Co.SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Dick Hayes, D.C., Clay Co. SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs Mgr.
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Diana Mahlberg, McCool Jct.
Kenneth Regier, Director	Ray Mahlberg, McCool Jct.
Max Ronne, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published July 6, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. arriving later. 17 present with Volkmer and Regier

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the June 18, 1981, regular Board of Directors meeting. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier, Volkmer

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., reviewed the second quarter progress report with the Board of Directors. He reported that Rhoda Portis, the newly appointed D.C. for Polk County, will begin work July 27th. Kitty Kowalinski, the new field office clerk in Seward County, began work July 6th. A discussion was held concerning the rights of an individual to use a natural stream to collect and reuse groundwater irrigation runoff.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held July 6, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

SUTTON GOLF ASSOCIATION EROSION CONTROL PROJECT

Hegeholz reported that the Sutton Golf Association was present with additional information on their erosion control project, as requested by the Projects Committee last month. The total estimated cost of the project is \$2,000. The Sutton School will contribute \$500. The Sutton Golf Association is requesting \$500 from the NRD and the balance will be paid by the Association. SCS will design the project and oversee construction. Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #2) that the Board of Directors approve funding for the proposed Sutton Golf

Association soil erosion control and conservation project in the amount of 25 percent of the actual cost not to exceed \$500 NRD cost-share. Seconded by Regier. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Stuhr, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Anderson

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 - FINAL APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #3) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the two (2) L.B. 450 cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$5,650.08. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #4) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the two (2) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$3,862.94. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #5) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the two (2) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$5,434.60. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the three (3) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,505.63. Seconded by Anderson. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### BECKLER DAM - HWS PROGRESS PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) that Hoskins-Western-Sonderegger be paid \$9,525.00 for work completed through June on the embankment design for the 'Beckler Dam - Smith Creek Watershed. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### DORCHESTER WATERSHED - CHANNEL #1

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that the bid of Ehlers Construction Company in the amount of \$12,489.60, to construct proposed improvements to Channel #1 of the Dorchester Watershed Project, be accepted and that the District enter into a contract with Ehlers Construction

Company to perform the required work. The beginning of work will be contingent upon landowner agreement concerning maintenance. Seconded by Anderson.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 PROGRAM POLICY

Hegeholz reported that recently the NRD received a letter from the Natural Resources Commission asking for comments on the L.B. 450 program. One NRD suggested that the program be amended so that the cost-share rates for the Nebraska Water Conservation Program are the same as the cost-share rates approved by ASCS for the ACP Program. This would result in cost-share rates that would vary among the counties, but because of the law, could not exceed 75% of actual costs. Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that the cost-share rates be the same for all counties and that the current program policy concerning cost-share rates not be changed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Anderson gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held July 9, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NRD INVESTMENTS

Anderson reported that Turnbull reviewed the current investments with the Committee.

#### FY 82 PROGRAMS BOOKLET

Anderson reported that the FY 82 programs were reviewed, along with the changes necessary for the next fiscal year. Several outdated programs, and those dropped by board action will not be in the FY 82 publication. The programs booklet will be printed about the 1st of August.

#### ROAD STRUCTURE POLICY

Anderson reported that the Committee had been asked to review the road structure policy. The existing policy states that the County will pay \$3,000 plus 30% of the balance. Experience has shown that each site is unique, different size, cost and benefits. It was felt that each project should be evaluated and the cost-sharing be negotiated on a case by case basis. Anderson made the motion (Motion #10) to change the road structure program to read: "The county's share will be determined on a case by case basis. The cost of guard rails or other road safety markings, and the cost of gravel or other surfacing is the county's responsibility. The county is also responsible for any road maintenance on the structure. The District's share will also be determined on a case by case basis. The District is responsible for the maintenance of the structure, except for the road." Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

#### MAJOR WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

Anderson reported that the Committee was briefed on the meeting with Steve Seglin, an attorney with Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester of Lincoln. The staff asked his legal advice on the planning efforts on the major water supply project. Items discussed included the legal requirements of filing for permits to obtain water rights involving

trans-basin diversion. It is apparent that the district has considerable work to conduct to comply with the requirements of L.B. 252. Long range strategy was discussed with the Committee and how much progress can be expected in the next twelve months. Engineering concepts for storage were presented for consideration. No action was taken.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held July 6, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #11) to approve the 1981 second quarter per them of \$1,848.42 and directors expense of \$1,392.31. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### INSURANCE

Kaiser reported that Turnbull presented the insurance package as received from Insurance. The total premium for FY 82 is \$3,947.34 which includes general liability, fire, auto, inland marine and workmen compensation. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #12) to approve the FY 82 insurance payment of \$3,947.34 to Hylton-Finn Insurance. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### ENGINEERING SHORT COURSE

Kaiser reported that Bitner requested that he be authorized to attend a University of Missouri short course on embankment design for dams at St. Louis on July 27-31, 1981. The course tuition is \$650 plus approximately \$600 for transportation, meals, and lodging. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #13) to authorize Bitner to attend the short course on embankment design for dams at the University of Missouri in St. Louis on July 27-31, 1981. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### MILEAGE

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #14) that the mileage rate be adjusted to 210 per mile for directors and staff as required by L.B. 204, and that such rate be effective September 1, 1981. Seconded by Hansen. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Regier, White, Moore

NAY: Ehlers, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Peters, Ronne

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #15) to authorize the Executive Committee to investigate the possibilities of increasing the per diem allowance and eliminating the law that states NRDs must pay sales tax. Further, that the mileage rate and L.B. 204 be reviewed. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Ehlers

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Burke, Volkmer, White

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT



Turnbull reviewed the year end Financial Statement and Budget Report as of June 30, 1981. White made the motion (Motion #16) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of June 30, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee Meeting held July 14, 1981 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### TOUR BUILDING SITES

Hansen reported that the committee spent one hour touring the York area looking at approximately ten building sites. Areas looked at were generally along or near Highway 81, North and South of the City of York. Availability and prices were discussed and of course what is the most desirable site for the NRD office location.

#### PLANS FOR OFFICE

Hansen reported that Turnbull reviewed the planning effort to date. Items discussed were the need for an office building, the size necessary, the possible layout and design, the costs of renting and the availability of suitable rental quarters.

Hansen reported that Turnbull asked for some clear direction from the committee on what to do about office space, to own or rent? Rental rates for office space quoted to the district are in the range of \$4.50 to \$4.80 a year per square foot for existing space. Higher prices can be expected for new space built and then leased to the district. Rental rates will increase with time.

Bitner presented an economic analysis to the Board of Directors. The analysis addressed the cost of ownership. A rough estimated cost of the necessary land and building was reviewed. The economics over the long term (35 years), using internal rate of return calculations and the value of money, indicates that the cost per square foot per year may be in the range of \$4.00.

Hansen made the motion (Motion #17) that Turnbull be directed to pursue planning for a district office building with the intent that the district will own the facility. Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: Schlueter, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Andersen

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #17) that the Board of Directors go into executive session at 10:20 to discuss possible office building land tracts and School Creek Site #3 land rights surveys and appraisals. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schlueter

Obermier made the motion (Motion #18) to return to regular session at 10:50 P.M. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr,

Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

Burke made the motion (Motion #19) to authorize the staff and legal counsel to take any necessary legal action to obtain the right of entry upon the lands; and properties planned for easement and/or fee simple title acquisition for the School Creek Site #3 Project, Clay County, Nebraska, for the purpose of land

rights surveys and appraisals. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Obermier

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Ratliff requested that the Chairman refer back to the standing committees, the questions as to the need and hours of the field office clerks. It was further requested that these committees report to the Executive Committee their findings and also that the Executive Committee accept comments from individual board members. The Chairman directed the staff to include these topics on the upcoming month's committee agendas.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
June 18, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry/Wildlife Mgr
Ardean Andersen, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr
Bruce Anderson, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec.
Raymond Burke, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Ham. Co.
Bob Ehlers, Director	William Gilliam, D.C., York Co. SCS
Wayne Hansen, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Harold Fausch, D.C., Seward Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Leon Draeger, Polk Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mark Nannen, Mgr., Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Kenneth Regier, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Max Ronne, Director	
Leonard Schlueter, Director	
Merlin Volkmer, Director	
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public meeting" published June 8, 1981, in the York News Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, with Schlueter and Ronne arriving later.

MINUTES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #1) that the minutes of the May 21, 1981, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Volkmer

ABSENT: Schlueter, Ronne

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., reported that the Area SCS Engineering office has asked that sites be located within the District where a flow meter can be installed on a well and also one on a reuse pit. This will enable the SCS to measure what happens with the runoff water.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held June 8, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

SUTTON GOLF ASSOCIATION PROJECT

Hegeholz reported that the Clay County Soil Conservation Service and a representative from the Sutton Golf Association were present to explain the concept of a project consisting of a stormwater detention basin and tile outlet. The project is intended to regulate stormwater runoff from the Sutton High School area so that it does not flow across one fairway on the golf course. The sponsor will return to the projects committee in July to request funding. No action was taken.

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the Motion (Motion #2) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the three (3) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,928.01. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #3) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the five (5) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$3,919.39. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

PROJECTS DEPARTMENT BUDGET - FY 82

Hegeholz reported that the draft of the proposed FY 82 projects department budget presented at the June 8, 1981 meeting, as revised, was forwarded to the Budget, Planning, and Legislative Committee for inclusion in the overall district budget.

DAVIS CREEK PROJECT - PL 566 APPLICATION - LAND TREATMENT ONLY

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #4) that an SCS planning start be requested for the Davis Creek PL 566 land treatment only project. Question called. Motion carried. Seconded by Anderson.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

HASTINGS NW PROJECT - FINAL PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #5) that final payment of \$250.00 be made to Fritzen Construction Company for work completed through April 30, 1981, on the Hastings NW Flood Control Project in Adams County. Seconded by White. Hegeholz reported that the total cost of the project was \$861,890.51 with 72.8% of that amount for land rights and 27.2% for construction. The Upper Big Blue NRD contributed \$43,021.49 to the cost which is 5% of the total cost or 12.5% of the local share. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

DORCHESTER WATERSHED - CHANNEL NO- 1 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Hegeholz reported that the Projects Committee authorized the projects department to advertise for bids on the Dorchester Channel No. 1 Improvement Project prior to FY 82 budget approval.

VAVRA SEMLER DAM REVISION

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) to proceed with final design plans and supervise construction of proposed modifications to the Vavra Semler Dam located in Saline County. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

BECKLER DAM - SMITH CREEK WATERSHED

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) to authorize the projects department to increase the maximum expenditure for soils and foundation engineering on the Beckler Dam from \$10,000 to \$11,363. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### DISTRICT CONTRACTING OFFICER

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that John Turnbull, General Manager, be appointed as the District's Contracting Officer for purposes of entering into and administering contracts for construction services. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - APPEAL TO DISTRICT COURT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) to authorize the district staff and legal counsel to continue the appeal process, concerning the Clay County Board of Adjustment's denial of the School Creek Site #3 Project, to the Clay County District Court. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Rome, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Obermier

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - APPRAISERS AND SURVEYORS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that the Upper Big Blue NRD proceed immediately with the appraisal and survey work that is required to proceed 'With land acquisition on School Creek Site #3. Seconded by Kaiser. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: Ehlers, Obermier

ABSTAIN: Ratliff, Volkmer

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held June 4, 1981, at the Teacher Environmental Education Institute at Camp Jefferson in Fairbury and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NEWSLETTER EXPANSION

Hansen reported that the committee and staff discussed the possibility of increasing the newsletter coverage to more households in the NRD. It was felt that the newsletter, inserted in 8 area newspapers, could be a very effective method. to reach more people. The newspaper circulation is generally better read and if inserted would replace postage. The newsletter identity is becoming established and therefore the committee recognize the importance of a printer, as opposed to newsprint quality paper. Hansen made the motion (Motion #11) to expand the newsletter from 8,000 copies to 28,500 copies with 8 area newspapers utilized for distribution in place of conventional mailing. Further, the newsletter be printed by York Printing Company quarterly at a cost of \$2,754 per quarter or \$11,016 per year. Seconded by Schlueter. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### TEACHER ENVIRONMENTAL CAMP

Hansen reported that the Little Blue NRD staff gave a presentation regarding the future status of the Teacher Environmental Camp at Fairbury. This is the 6th annual camp and funding has become a problem, as the Little Blue has carried the largest share of the funding in the past. Everyone agreed that this camp is among the best in the state for quality and credit received. We are asked to share in a more equitable form of funding, organization, and coordination if this camp is continued.

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Anderson gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held June 10, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FY 82 BUDGET

Anderson reported that Turnbull reviewed the draft of the budget with the Committee. The budget of all three funds, General, Water, and Sinking, are planned to remain within the 7% limit. The budget cannot be completed until after the closing of the FY 81 books in mid-July, and the receipt of the counties final valuations in early August. No final decisions were made on the budget.

#### ROAD STRUCTURE COST-SHARE POLICY

Anderson reported that the Committee would like to review the road structure cost-share policy and the other district programs at the July Committee Meeting in order to update the programs book.

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Anderson gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held June 11, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACTS

Anderson made the motion (Motion #12) that the June Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program annual payments be made as reviewed in the amount of \$11,365 for a total of 646 acres. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### NEW WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACTS

Anderson made the motion (Motion #13) to accept the submitted list of new cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program for an annual payment of \$1,524.30 for 75.32 acres. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schlueter

#### NATIVE GRASS SEED REIMBURSEMENT

Anderson made the motion (Motion #14) that the Upper Big Blue NRD pay Phil Kreutz \$210 for his native grass seed and \$125 for soil preparation in his wildlife habitat area for a total of \$335.00. The District will be reimbursed 100% by the Game and Parks Commission. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### FY 81 TREE PLANTING

Anderson reported that portion of the tree report finished was reviewed by the Committee. It was suggested that the District look for a tractor to replace

the one now used for planting trees.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of May 31, 1981. White made the motion (Motion #15) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of May 31, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held June 15, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### DISTRICT CLERKS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #16) that the district employ clerks for the SCS field offices in Fillmore, Hamilton, Polk, Seward and York counties, for a maximum of 24 hours per week or 1248 hours per year per clerk. Further, that the SCS District Conservationists may request the General Manager to grant more hours if the workload demands it. Seconded by Stuhr. Considerable discussion followed on the amount of work involved in the clerk's position and the amount of time needed to complete this work. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

#### OSCEOLA BUILDING

Kaiser reported that bids were requested from potential buyers for the Osceola field office. Bids were opened at 2:00 p.m. on June 15, 1981. one bid was received, from David Adamczyk, Osceola, Nebraska offering \$7,000 for the building.

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #17) that the Board reject the bid from David Adamczyk, Osceola, Nebraska, offering \$7,000 for the Osceola field office building because it was too low. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: Hansen, Obermier

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

#### NRD OFFICE BUILDING

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #18) that the following special committee be appointed to oversee the NRD office building project, which will include land rights, design, financing and construction: Wayne Hansen, Chairman, Bruce Anderson, Gerald Hegeholz, Max Ronne, Roy Stuhr, Larry Moore, John Turnbull, and

Jay Bitner. The Committee will cease it's functions upon the completion of the new facilities. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz

#### PROJECTS DEPARTMENT OFFICE SUPPLIES PURCHASE

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #19) to approve an expenditure of \$623.81 for

750 printed standard drawing sheets. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### PARKS DEPARTMENT TRACTOR PURCHASE

Kaiser reported that the Executive Committee authorized the staff to look for a different tractor to be used for tree planting.

#### NARD FY 82 DUES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #20) to approve payment of \$6,350 for FY 82 NARD dues for the NRD, less a maximum of \$1,876.62 due the District for video tape equipment, as per verbal agreements in 1979. Seconded by Anderson. Ehlers amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #21) to approve payment of \$6,067 (a 7% increase over FY 81 dues of \$5,670) for FY 82 NARD dues-for the NRD, less a maximum of \$1,876.62 due-the District for video-tape equipment, as per verbal agreements in 1979. Seconded by Obermier. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer

NAY: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz

ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Peters, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Moore

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried as amended.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer

NAY: Burke, Hegeholz, White, Moore

#### IRRIGATION SCHEDULING PROGRAM

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #22) to approve payment of \$3,765 for the first half of the total due for the 1981 irrigation scheduling program, as per written agreement. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

#### NARD OPERATIONS

Kaiser reported that the Committee discussed at length it's dissatisfaction with the way in which the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts handles some of its affairs. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #23) that the staff draft a letter to the Executive Committee of the Association offering constructive criticism on the following points: (1) Association should primarily act as lobbying body with the State Legislature for the NRDs, (2) Association should primarily act as coordinating group between districts, (3) Association meeting and convention charges/fees should be billed to NRDs on an actual cost basis. Extra funds if needed for various operations should be charged through dues so that all districts share in necessary expenses, (4) Other Association functions should be reviewed for purpose and necessity. Seconded by Hansen. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Volkmer, Moore

#### PERSONNEL



Kaiser made the motion (Motion #24) that the Board of Directors go into Executive Session at 11:10 p.m. to discuss personnel salaries. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #25) that the Board of Directors return to regular session at 11:55 p.m. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

Burke made the motion (Motion #26) that the job descriptions be adopted for the personnel and positions that currently exist, as presented. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #27) that the salary adjustments, as attached to the file copy, be adopted for FY 82, effective from July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 a.m.

Lowell Peters, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
May 21, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Ken Feather, Parks/Forestry Mgr.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Warren D. Thompson, Lamp, Ryneerson & Assoc.
Raymond Burke, Director	Don Jourdan, Lamp, Ryneerson & Assoc.
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	William Gilliam, D.C., York Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Hamilton Co SCS
Merlin Volkmer, Director	David Brand, D.C., Polk Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Dick Hayes, D.C., Clay Co. SCS
Wayne Hansen, Director	Gary Wooten, D.C., Saline Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Susan Williamson, Saline Co. SCS
Morris White, Director	Les Hoins, Saline Co. SCS
John C. Turnbull, General Mgr	Mark Nannen, Manager, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published May 1.1, 1981 in the York News Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 14 present, 3 absent.

MINUTES

Anderson made the motion (Motion #1) that the minutes of the April 16, 1981, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hansen  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., reported that there is a new technician in David City. Griffin introduced Richard Hayes, the new Clay Co. D.C. Gary Wooten introduced Susan Williamson, a student trainee, and Les Hoins, technician, new employees at the Saline Co. SCS office.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held May 18, 1981, and reviewed the Committee report as distributed.

SOIL SURVEY MASTER COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #2) that the District sign the FY 82 Master Cooperative Agreements with the University of Nebraska Conservation and Survey Division for the Fillmore and Hamilton County soil surveys. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) that the District sign the FY 82 Master Cooperative Agreement with the University of Nebraska Conservation and Survey Division for the Saline County soil survey. The District's portion will be \$750 (5% of the total). Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

Kaiser reported that the NACD will conduct a leadership seminar at Park City, Utah on July 22 through 24, 1981. It has been requested that the Upper Big Blue NRD consider sending Raymond Burke to this seminar. Hansen made the motion (Motion #4) that the Upper Big Blue NRD pay for transportation and expenses to send Raymond Burke to the Leadership Seminar in Park City, Utah, July 22-24, 1981. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Anderson, Hansen, Hegeholz, Ronne, Schlueter, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Burke, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### NRD OFFICE SPACE

Kaiser reported that Turnbull, Ehlers, Kaiser & Stuhr attended the York County Board meeting on May 12, 1981, and requested the County to add on to the NRD existing facility and lease back the additional space to the NRD on a long term lease. The County Board was also requested to consider selling the NRD part of the fairgrounds parking area for new office space. No action was taken by the County Board at that meeting. Turnbull met with them again on May 19, 1981, to ask for their decision. The County Board does not wish to add on to the existing building or sell part of the fairgrounds parking area. Further, the County Board does not wish to continue to rent to the NRD. The NRD has been given two years to find other office facilities. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #5) to direct the NRD staff to request proposals from architects on planning, design, and preparing specs for a NRD headquarters office building. Further, that proposals be requested on building sites. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, White

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### OSCEOLA OFFICE BUILDING

Kaiser reported that the appraisal for the sale of the Osceola office building has been completed. The Committee felt a second appraisal is in order. The District will advertise for sealed bids, with a minimum bid. The bids will be considered at the June meeting.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held May 11, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 - TENTATIVE AP APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the one (1) L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$2,795.87. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 - FINAL APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the two (2) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,286.08. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the two (2) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$1,738.14. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - PROPOSAL FOR BOUNDARY SURVEY

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors give approval for hiring Dangberg & Associates to survey the parcel of land to be purchased by the Upper Big Blue NRD pertaining to School Creek Site #3 at a cost of \$4,955 providing that Clay County will be responsible for locating the section corners and quarter corners; and that the contract with Dangberg & Associates not be effective until recreation zoning and road closing issues are settled. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - ROAD CLOSURE

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that the Board request Clay County or other appropriate authority to close, as soon as possible, the bridge on the road between Sections 14 and 23, instead of the bridge on the road between Sections 23 and 26, Township 5 North, Range 8 West. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Obermier  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

BECKLER DAM - SMITH CREEK - PROPOSAL FOR GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

Based on proposals submitted for embankment and foundation analysis, Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) that the firm of Western Laboratories be hired to provide the required engineering services on the Beckler Dam - Smith Creek Watershed. The amount of the contract should be \$9,455 as proposed by Western Laboratories. If additional drilling and testing is required, the staff should be authorized to extend the contract amount to \$10,000. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

HASTINGS NW PROJECT - AIRPORT EASEMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #12) to accept the easement pertaining to the N1/2SW1/4 of Section 34, Township 8 North, Range 10 West of the 6th P.M. in Adams County, Nebraska for the sum of \$385.00 on .4830 acres, more or less.

This .4830 acre can be farmed and cropped. No structures or buildings of any type can be built on this .4830 acre. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held May 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WRITING OF COMPUTER PROGRAMS

Obermier reported that the Water Department hopes to keep and utilize groundwater user records. This is necessary because of the large volume of paper work and time that would be involved were we not able to utilize the computer. In order to use the computer several computer programs will have to be written. An estimate was requested from the University of Nebraska Computer Center for writing programs to (1) sort operators alphabetically, (2) Sort irrigated tracts by legal description, and (3) print mailing list of groundwater users. The estimated cost of writing these programs is \$2,064.00. Obermier made the motion (Motion #14) that the staff be authorized to proceed with getting the necessary computer programs written for the control area computer records. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### SPRING WATER LEVEL CHANGE AND THREE YEAR AVERAGE DECLINE

Obermier reported that the spring, 1981 water levels were down an average of 1.13 feet from the spring of 1980. The three year average is 1978 - +0.47 feet, 1979 +0.34 feet, 1980 - -1.13 feet for a -0.11 feet average annual change for the past three years. If the change in the water level in 1981 is -0.74 or greater, Rule III of the District's Control Area Rules and Regulations will go into effect. Meters in 1982, allocation in 1983.

Obermier reported that the Blue River Association has billed us for the well measurements in Adams, Butler, Polk and Saline counties. The Association measured 72 wells at \$6.00 each for a total cost of \$432.00. Since the Board has already approved this expenditure by previous agreement and the bill is less than \$1500, no action is required.

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held May 14, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1981 SUMMER IRRIGATION TOUR

Hansen reported that the Education Committee is planning an irrigation tour concentrating on Southwest Nebraska. This tour is planned at the peak of the irrigation season, as the intent is to view various projects in operation. The dates are set for July 29, 30, and 31, 1981. Highlights will include nine existing reservoirs, six irrigation projects, 1 proposed area of transbasin diversion (Little Blue "Catherland Project"), the Plum Creek Project and the Prairie Bend Project. The tour will be by chartered bus and lodging and transportation costs to participants will be prorated. Hansen made the motion (Motion #14) to accept the 1981 slimmer irrigation tour as proposed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### 1981 CONSERVATION FARM AWARD SELECTION

Hansen reported that a considerable amount of time was spent with the selection of the conservation on awards for 1981. Most of the winners are excellent, however more information is needed in one or two cases.

#### 1980 CONSERVATION FARM AWARD REPORT

Hansen reported that a summary was given to the committee regarding the 1980 conservation farm award program. It was considered a successful venture with exposure to over 2,350 persons.

#### 1981 COUNTY FAIR PARTICIPATION

Hansen reported that the NRD will again maintain a booth at six fairs this summer. Major assistance will be in the form of booth workers employed by the NRD. Directors are asked to work in their respective areas if possible.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of April 30, 1981. White made the motion (Motion #15) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of April 30, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Turnbull reported that L.B. 243 has been advanced to select file. L.B. 243 affects the NRD's eminent domain authority when 75% of the project's benefit is recreational. As amended, L.B. 243 proposes that the Board of Directors make a determination of the project's benefit based upon data collected. The Board's determination will be the primary evidence used in any litigation brought about by a landowner. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #16) to go on record as opposing L.B. 243 as amended. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

L.B. 252 was discussed. Anderson made the motion (Motion #17) that a letter be sent to Governor Thone asking him to veto L.B. 252 on the basis that it complicates procedures and does not accomplish anything. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Obermier, Volkmer

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

#### SALARY SCHEDULE

Kaiser reported that the staff has developed a salary schedule to be considered by the Board, as directed by the Board and Executive Committee. The schedule is to define beginning and maximum wages for each district position as well as provide for merit increases. Such increases will not be automatic, but rather earned. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #18) that the salary schedule be adopted as presented and that it become effective July 1, 1981. Seconded by Peters. Turnbull gave a detailed presentation on the salary schedule. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, white, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff, Regier

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
April 16, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Max Ronne, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Morris White, Liaison D.C., Hamilton SCS
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Ray Griffin, Liaison DC, Hamilton SCS
Ardean Andersen, Director	Dave Brand, D.C., Polk SCS
Bruce Anderson, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore SCS
Raymond Burke, Director	Harold Fausch, D.C., Seward SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	John Ortmann, Uprk News-Times
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Norman Obermier, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Mgr
Kenneth Regier, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published April 10, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present with Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Volkmer, Obermier, white, and Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting. 16 present. 1 absent.

MINUTES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #1) that the minutes of the March 19, 1981, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Anderson  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers, Volkmer, Obermier, White, Hegeholz, Hansen

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., reported that Richard Hayes will be filling the District Conservationist position in Clay County. Griffin also reported that David Brand, D.C. at Polk County SCS will be transferred to Hebron June 1, 1981. Several District Conservationists spoke on the importance of secretaries in the SCS offices. Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. D.C. compared NRD and SCS time and money expended in cooperation with each other and the affect the secretary's position has on the workload and completion of various programs. David Brand spoke on the duties of the clerks. Mr. Brand handed out a list of the duties performed by the clerk and also her diary for one month explaining in detail what was done.

The first quarter progress report was distributed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held April 9, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

1ST QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #2) that the 1st quarter directors' per them of \$2,325.00 and expenses of \$2,142.65 be approved as submitted and reviewed.



Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### NWRA DUES

Kaiser reported that the District recently received billing from the Nebraska Water Resources Association for dues. (\$565 for state dues plus \$50 for national dues.) Total dues for 1981 is \$610. The necessity of district membership was discussed. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #3) to discontinue district membership in the Nebraska Water Resources Association, but to pay for individual memberships as requested by directors. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schlueter

ABSENT: Hansen

#### OSCEOLA FIELD OFFICE

Kaiser reported that the district owns a small office building in Osceola that is rented by the SCS. The building originally was owned by the Polk County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD). That organization became a part of the NRD in 1972. The SWCD transferred its assets including the building to the district at that time. It is the only field office owned by the NRD. The building is presently in need of remodeling. Estimated remodeling cost is \$4,000 plus. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #4) that the district sell the Osceola field office building, and the revenue from that sale be placed in the NRD headquarters office building fund. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Burke

ABSTAIN: Anderson, Ehlers, Volkmer, White

ABSENT: Hansen

#### SOIL SURVEYS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #5) that the FY 81 Soil Survey bill for Fillmore County of \$8,000.00 and Saline County of \$700.00 be paid to the University of Nebraska Conservation and Survey Division. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

Aye: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held April 9, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the two (2) L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$2,764.25. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one (1) NRD funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$333.61. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors give approval for progress payment of \$8,127.54 on the Central Butler Project to the Lower Platte North NRD. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

ROAD DAM POLICY

Hegeholz reported that the Projects Committee recommends that the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee revise the District's Road Dam policy to allow evaluation of each project and cost-share agreements on a case by case basis. The Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee will bring a recommendation to the Board of Directors in the near future.

SCHOOL CREEK #3 DEVELOPMENT FUND CONTRACT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that the School Creek Site #3 Resources Development Fund Contract be approved and that the Chairman be authorized to sign said contract for the District. Seconded by Anderson. Turnbull reported that as soon as the district signs it, the contract becomes effective and that bills paid to date will be submitted to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission for reimbursement as soon as practical - If the project should not be completed, the District will still be reimbursed for funds expended to date. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

CENTRAL BUTLER-LOWER PLATTE NORTH NRD REQUEST

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that the District concur with the Lower Platte North NRD in its proposed condemnation procedures, if necessary, in acquiring land rights for the Central Butler Project, specifically from Peter and Olivia Birkel, in accordance with the Project Master Agreement. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

NIELSEN DAM - PROJECT STATUS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #11) that the Board of Directors approve suspension of the Nielsen Dam, proposed for Polk County, due to lack of economic feasibility. Seconded by Obermier. Considerable discussion followed. Bitner reported that both sites considered for the project were technically feasible but neither site was economically feasible. Further discussion followed on the cost per acre foot of permanent water storage. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Stuhr  
NAY: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Ronne  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### DIRECTORS' SUMMER TOUR

Staab asked for a show of hands from the directors interested in having a summer irrigation tour again this year. A majority was in favor so planning will continue.

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held April 7, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN JANUARY 22, 1981, BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that the January 22, 1981, Board of Directors meeting minutes stand as approved. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: Anderson, Ehlers, White  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Hegeholz, Moore  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### BUTLER POLK COUNTY RUNOFF INSPECTOR FOR 1981

Ronne made the motion (Motion #13) that the Board authorize the staff to hire a runoff inspector for Butler and Polk Counties for 1981. Salary to be \$4.50 to \$5.00 per hour. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### SALINE COUNTY RUNOFF INSPECTOR FOR 1981

Ronne made the motion (Motion #14) to contract with the Seward County GWCD for the runoff inspection in Saline County in the amount of 15% of the Seward County runoff inspector's wages and expenses. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### ADAMS COUNTY RUNOFF INSPECTOR FOR 1981

Ronne made the motion (Motion #15) that the Upper Big Blue NRD contract with the Clay County GWCD for the runoff inspection in Adams County in the amount of 12% of the Clay County runoff inspector's wages and mileage. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### SUMMARY OF PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Ronne reported that a summary of the Water Department Development Survey was given to the Committee. The survey began in February, 1981.

#### ACTIVE WELL PERMIT LISTS

Ronne reported that each director has been provided with a list of active

permits to construct wells so that each director will be able to check whether or not a well was permitted when he sees it being drilled.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of March 31, 1981. White made the motion (Motion #16) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of March 31, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White,  
Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
March 19, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Max Ronne, Director
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Morris White, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Hamilton Co. SCS
Ardean Andersen, Director	Mark Nannen, Manager, Blue River Assn.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Donald Wahl, Bradshaw
Raymond Burke, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Bob Ehlers, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Norman Obermier, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr
Kenneth Regier, Director	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Mgr.
Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published March 9, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present with Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting. 15 present. 2 absent.

MINUTES

Peters made the motion (Motion #1) that the minutes of the February 19, 1981, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Hegeholz, Volkmer

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., briefed the Board on the importance of full-time secretaries in the SCS offices. He asked that the Board strongly consider the value of the secretaries before making any changes in hours.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held March 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

PROJECTS DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) that the District purchase three Stevens "Type F" water level recorders and repair parts of \$1,935.20 plus shipping and tax for the in-basin storage project research. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

APRIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

The Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors' next regular board meeting will be held April 16, 1981, at 7:00 p.m.

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Stuhr and Turnbull gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meetings held February 26, 1981, and March 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

#### MAJOR WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

Turnbull reported that at the February 26, 1981 meeting, a three hour discussion was held concerning the major water supply project. Items considered were (a) water use in Big Blue Basin, (b) Water loss in Big Blue Basin, (c) General plan of storage, (d) General plan of project areas, (e) Economic considerations, (f) Financing schemes - local and state, (g) Political ramifications of plan, and (h) needs. No decisions were reached.

Turnbull reported that at the March 12, 1981 meeting, a long discussion was held concerning the various aspects of the project, including the procedure of filing for water rights. Turnbull met with Mike Jess, Department of Water Resources, on the procedures necessary. The Department of Water Resources advised the district that a public hearing will be held within 180 days of the filing date and that all legal aspects should be prepared for arguments and challenges when the water right is requested. Considerable discussion followed.

Stuhr reported that the committee directed the staff to brief the state senators, as necessary, on the project.

#### LEGISLATION

Stuhr reported that the committee reviewed the current bill status. L.B. 110, authorizing NRDs to own their headquarters buildings, has been signed by the Governor.

L.B. 120 was discussed by the board. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #3) to support Senator Lamb's position to repeal L.B. 120. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held March 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #4) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the six (6) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$4,999.18. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #5) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the one (1) L.B. 450 cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$2,049.60. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #6) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one (1) L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$10,276.76. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried. AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser,

Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - APPRAISERS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors approve hiring Trampe Appraisal Company to do the appraisal work for School Creek Site #3, and that Lowell Ehlers be hired by the district to review the appraisals for School Creek Site #3. Seconded by White. Questions were raised concerning the costs quoted for the appraisal and review work. Ratliff made the motion (Motion. #8) to amend the motion to state that Trampe Appraisal Company be hired for \$10,150.00 to do the appraisal work and that Lowell Ehlers be hired to review the appraisals at \$50 per day plus 20¢ per mile. Seconded by Anderson. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Burke, Ehlers

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - SURVEYORS

Hegeholz made the motion (motion #9) to authorize staff to proceed with advertising for bids regarding School Creek #3 land rights survey for land rights acquisition. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Schlueter

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 - ZONING SPECIAL EXCEPTION

Hegeholz reported that the Clay County Planning and Zoning Commission has denied the Upper Big Blue NRD request for a Special Exception permit for the recreation facility for School Creek Site #3. Hegeholz made the motion (motion #10) to authorize the District to appeal the decision of the Clay County Planning and Zoning Commission concerning the School Creek Site #3 recreation facility development. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

NIELSEN DAM - COST SHARE WITH POLK COUNTY

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) to authorize staff to negotiate cost-sharing with Polk County on the Nielsen Dam such that the NRD pays 50 percent and the County pays 50 percent of total cost. Seconded by White. Considerable discussion followed on the cost of the dam and the location.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Regier

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held March 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

UPPER BIG BLUE-LITTLE BLUE-LOWER BIG BLUE NRD TEACHER ENVIRONMENTAL CAMP

The joint sponsorship of the 6th Annual Environmental Education Institute will be held the last week of May and first week of June at Camp Jefferson near Fairbury. The purpose of the course is to provide teachers with background and basic information in conservation education. Practical application of the techniques and outdoor experience will enable teachers to incorporate conservation education into new and existing courses in their respective school curriculum. Burke made the motion (motion #12) to provide a \$150 grant to six teachers in the district for the 1981 Environmental Education Institute at Camp Jefferson. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

1981 SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK

Burke made the motion (Motion #13) that approximately \$200 be used to provide church bulletin inserts for approximately 53 area churches upon request. This will provide about 9,300 inserts. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Peters

NRD STAFF PUBLIC MEETING UPDATE

Burke reported that a list of meetings (December, 1980 to present) was given to the Committee members. The list is quite varied and lengthy and does point out that our staff spends a good deal of its workload in preparation and presentation promoting all NRD programs and projects. The staff will continue to expand presentations as space on the calendar permits.

NRD-KAWL YORK RADIO PROGRAM

Staab reported that planning has begun for a weekly 10 minute program to be aired at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. The air time will be donated to the NRD in an effort to expand and promote many issues we are involved in. A daily water crop use announcement is also being planned for the summer growing season.

PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Anderson gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held March 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

EXETER PARK

Anderson made the motion (Motion #14) that the Upper Big Blue NRD cost-share with the Village of Exeter on their village park at a sum not to exceed \$8,125.00, contingent upon state and federal funds. If the state and federal funds are not released by

December 31, 1981, the contract will no longer be binding and in effect.

Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

SEEDING HABITAT AREA



Anderson made the motion (Motion #15) to reimburse James Slezak for the native grass seed planted in his habitat area in the amount of \$79.16. The district will be reimbursed 100% by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

#### McCOOL PARK

Anderson reported that the McCool Park was discussed and it was suggested that the staff find out what it would cost the district to lease the land involved.

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held March 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### DISCUSSION OF ALLOCATION VARIATION ACCORDING TO RAINFALL DIFFERENCES

Ronne reported that the precipitation data and patterns over the district were reviewed. The committee felt that this information did not cause for variation in allocation at this time and instructed the staff to file this information for future reference in case circumstances change.

#### 1980 IRRIGATION SCHEDULING PROGRAM

Ronne made the motion (Motion #16) that the NRD pay the balance due of \$3,294.04 to the Blue River Association of Groundwater Conservation Districts for the 1980 Irrigation Scheduling Program. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers

Ronne made the motion (Motion #17) that the staff be directed to inform the Groundwater Conservation Districts that following the 1981 Irrigation Scheduling Program the NRD will not financially participate in the Irrigation Scheduling Program in the area where the Districts are synonymous. The district may be interested in contracting with the GWCDs for the Scheduling Program in Adams, Butler, Polk and Saline counties. Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers

#### WELL PERMIT INFORMATION

Ronne reported that information concerning the types of irrigation systems being installed and the acres being developed was distributed as the committee requested last month. This will be continued in the future.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of February 28, 1981. Burke made the motion (Motion #18) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of February 28, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Volkmer

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
February 19, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Mgr.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec.
Raymond Burke, Director	Roger R. Hammer, Clay County SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	Gary Wooten, D.C., Saline Co. SCS
Wayne Hansen, Director	Wayne Vanek, Hamilton County SCS
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., Ham. Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, - Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Harold Fausch, D.C., Seward Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Joe Finn, City Planning Comm., York
Morris White, Director	Loren Thompson, City Planning Comm., York
John Turnbull, General Mgr.	Jack Kidder, City Administrator, York

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published February 10, 1981, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present with Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting. 15 present. 2 absent.

OATH OF OFFICE

Turnbull, General Manager and Notary Public, administered the oath of Office to newly elected directors Obermier, Andersen and Schlueter simultaneously. Each director signed his oath of office; the oath with the director's signature was notarized by the notary public and will be placed on file at the NRD office, York, Nebraska.

MINUTES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #1) that the minutes of the January 22, 1981, regular Board of Directors meeting be approved after correcting Page 2 to read "Burke nominated Lowell Peters"

instead of "Burke nominated Lowell Ehlers" for the office of Secretary.

Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hegeholz, Regier

SCS REPORT

Ray Griffin, Liaison D.C., introduced Wayne Vanek, Soil Scientist, Hamilton County SCS. Roger Hammer, Clay County SCS, gave a progress report on the soil surveys being conducted in Fillmore, Saline and Hamilton Counties. The soil survey in Fillmore County is 55% complete (59% of the area in the Upper Big Blue NRD). The completion date for Fillmore county is set for November, 1982. The Saline County Soil survey is 38.9% complete (95% of the area in the Upper Big Blue NRD). 84% of the Hamilton County Soil Survey is completed. The final Clay County Soil Survey report should be released sometime this year.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held February 11, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SIX MONTH BUDGET REVIEW

Turnbull reviewed the cash position for each fund as of December 31, 1980.

#### MAJOR WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

Stuhr reported that Bitner briefed the committee on the staff's work and findings of the past 30 days. Bitner reviewed the data on the water budget of the Big Blue Basin - inflows, outflows, pumping, recharge, precipitation, etc. The Blue River Compact with Kansas was reviewed. It appears that the project the district envisions will work within the requirements of the Compact. The planning is proceeding rapidly. General information on the planning mechanism, and the district's views has been released to the public.

#### LEGISLATION

Stuhr reported that legislative bills were reviewed but no action was taken on any legislative proposals.

#### CITY OF YORK PRESENTATION

Joe Finn, City Planning Commission Member, presented the Board of Directors with the 1980 Comprehensive Plan for the City of York. This is a 20 year plan and shows the progress up to this date along with the growth anticipated in the York area. Jack Kidder, City Administrator, briefly reviewed the Comprehensive Plan.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee Meetings held January 22, 1981, and February 11, 1981, and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

#### LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS

Kaiser reported that the Committee directed Ehlers to testify in support of L.B. 81 at the Public Works Committee hearing on January 28, 1981. The Committee also directed Turnbull to testify in support of L.B. 110 at the Public Works Committee hearing on February 4, 1981. Moore testified in support of L.B. 110 as Turnbull had a conflict.

#### BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #2) that the 1981 Committee assignments be approved as set up by the Executive Committee. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

#### BOARD POLICY CHANGE

Kaiser reported that the committee discussed the problem of handling policy issues. It is felt that at times after due committee and staff considerations, the Board needs time to think about the proposed change. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) that the Board of Directors adopt the policy that if requested by any board member, any proposed district policy change be held over to the next regular board meeting after its initial presentation for action. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

NARD WASHINGTON D.C. CONGRESSIONAL TRIP

Kaiser reported that the Committee discussed the possibility of the NARD sending, at its expense, the Association officers on the Washington D.C. trip. In the past this district has financed the NARD treasurer's travel, etc. It is felt that all the NRDs should share in the expense of sending the Association officers. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #4) to send Larry Moore, Roy Stuhr, and John Turnbull on the NARD Washington D.C. trip to represent the District, and further, that Burke be sent at the NARD's expense to represent the Association, with the District paying Burke's per diem and meals. Seconded by Ehlers. Considerable discussion followed. Stuhr amended motion #4 to make the motion (Motion #5) to include lodging as being paid by the District. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: Ronne

ABSTAIN: Burke

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, White

NAY: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Burke, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

NARD INDIVIDUAL DUES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #6) that individual director and staff dues for NARD membership be approved in the amount of \$190.00. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

NARD CONFERENCE EXPENSES

Kaiser reported that the committee expressed concern about the apparent high cost of NARD conferences, registration, meals, receptions, etc. The Committee is interested in the expenses versus the revenues of these activities. The District will request the NARD to furnish a cost accounting (cost vs. revenues in detail) for recent conferences.

OFFICE SPACE

Kaiser reported that after discussion on L.B. 110, the Committee felt it important to proceed with planning of office space. The need to hire a qualified architect to design the building (either for rent or purchase) was expressed. This is necessary to have the offices and work areas laid out for maximum efficiency. The drafting of the plans is of secondary importance. It was suggested to contact the University of Nebraska Architect Department for possible assistance. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #7) that the district proceed with design and cost estimating of the district needed office space. Seconded

by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: White

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held February 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVALS - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the three (3) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$8,502.16. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hansen

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one (1) L.B. 450 funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$6,239.76. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one (1) NRD funded cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$755.60. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

#### LAND TREATMENT - ALLEN LARSON FINAL PAYMENT

Hegeholz reported that the final payment will be released jointly to Allen Larson, landowner, and Land and Water Developers, Inc., contractor, as requested by the contractor.

#### SCHOOL CREEK #3 - APPRAISERS

Hegeholz reported that the Committee directed staff to negotiate with Stan Trampe, and Lowell Ehlers, appraisers, in order to secure proposals from each appraiser, including their fee, for performing either as lead appraiser or as the reviewing appraiser subject to the District's requirements for lead and review appraisers.

#### HASTINGS N.W. - LEASE RENEWALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) that the Board of Directors accept the offer of \$45.00 per acre for 100 acres from Glenn R. Berg (\$4,500 total) and \$45.00 per acre for 50 acres from Lloyd Schroeder (\$2,250 total) for one year leases of the Hastings Northwest land. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

#### HASTINGS N.W. - AIRPORT LAND EASEMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #12) that the Upper Big Blue NRD accept the offer of \$100 from the Hastings Airport Authority for an easement to extend the Northwest approach to runway #12. Seconded by Ehlers. This easement gives the Airport Authority the right to extend the northwest approach to runway #12 and is for .48304 acres in which nothing more than a fence can be built. This will not affect the resale of the property. The offer will be forwarded to the Natural Resources Commission for their approval. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

HASTINGS N.W. SNPPD PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #13) that the Board of Directors give approval for payment of \$5,370.00 to Southern Nebraska Public Power District for power line relocation in accordance with our agreement.

Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

VRBKA DAM - FINAL PAYMENT

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #14) that the Board of Directors give approval for final payment of \$138.85 to Greg Armstrong, Inc., contractor, for construction of the Vrbka Dam. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

SCHOOL CREEK #3 - ROAD CLOSURE

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #15) to authorize the district staff to approach the proper agencies concerning closing the road between Section 23, Township 8 North, Range 5 West and Section 26, Township 8 North, Range 5 West in Clay County, Nebraska. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

SCHOOL CREEK #3 - ZONING BOARD

Hegeholz reported that the Committee authorized the District staff to file an application for a "Special Exception Permit" as required by Clay County Zoning Regulations for the recreational facilities of School Creek Site #3.

CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

Hansen made the motion (Motion #16) to approve the contractor certification policy in that portion of Saline County in the Upper Big Blue NRD on land treatment practices for a one year trial period. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Burke  
ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held February 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NEW WILDLIFE HABITAT PROGRAM CONTRACTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #17) to accept the new 1981 cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program for a total of 123.4 acres and annual payments of \$2,975.50. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held February 12, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

HWS CONFINED AQUIFER STUDY

White reported that Roy Elliot and Gary Morgan of Hoskins-Western-Sonderegger submitted a confined aquifer study proposal. The proposal outlines the procedure and approximate cost for conducting a study of confined aquifer where carrying capacity of the aquifer is insufficient to sustain present irrigation and determine the optimum use of the available water supply. The pilot study proposed would cover an area of the NRD's choice, approximately 3,500 acres in size (51 square miles) and would cost approximately \$25,490. Because of budget limitations and the site specific nature of this type of study, the Committee directed staff to inform HWS that the district does not wish to pursue this study proposal.

1981 IRRIGATION SCHEDULING PROGRAM AGREEMENT

White reported that the 1981 Irrigation Scheduling Program will be essentially the same as in past years with the cost to the irrigator being raised from \$40 to \$50 with the remaining cost split of one-half to the NRD and one-half to the GWCDs. The NRD will pay all of the remaining cost in Adams, Butler, Saline and Polk counties. White made the motion (Motion #18) that the agreement with the Blue River Association for the 1981 Irrigation Scheduling Program be approved as reviewed. Seconded by Burke.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

1981 WELL MONITORING PROGRAM AGREEMENT

White reported that the proposed agreement provides for a payment of \$6.00 per well for each well measurement. This is only for approximately 75 wells in Adams, Butler, Polk, and Saline counties. The Blue River Association will pay the entire cost of the well measurement in the remainder of the NRD area. The estimated cost to the NRD for 1981 spring and fall readings is \$900.00. White made the motion (Motion #19) that the 1981 Well Monitoring Program Agreement with the Blue River Association be approved as reviewed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Burke, Ehlers

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

REPLACEMENT WELL PUMP COLUMN SITUATION

White reported that staff had resolved the discrepancies on the pump column size situations which the committee discussed the previous month. Several well drillers and one manufacturer of pump column were contacted to find out why there were different pump column sizes such as 8 inch and 8-5/8 inch, etc. The industry has standardized the column sizes and 8 inch column is a

layman's term for 8-5/8" O.D. column. White made the motion (Motion #20) that the Board of Directors adopt the policy of one (1) inch maximum tolerance on pump column size for replacement wells without requiring a permit. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Regier



L.B. 56 INDUSTRIAL GROUNDWATER REGULATORY ACT

White made the motion (Motion #21) that the Board of Directors support the concept of L.B. 56 (Industrial Groundwater Regulatory Act) with the District emphasizing (1) the NRD have the opportunity to have input into DWR's discussion on approval or denial of such permit, and (2) that such a permit not exempt the user from any provisions of the Groundwater Management Act including allocation, in the district testimony. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Burke

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

NACD CONVENTION REPORT

White gave a report on his recent trip to the NACD Convention in San Francisco, California.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of January 31, 1981. White made the motion (Motion #22) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of January 31, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Burke made the motion (Motion #23) that the Executive Committee designate the Committee Chairman on each of the six committees. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore NAY: Ehlers, Hansen, Ratliff, Schlueter, White

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Kaiser, Peters, Volkmer

ABSENT: Anderson, Regier

NEBRASKA WATER CONFERENCE

The Nebraska Water Conference will be held March 10 & 11, 1981, at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education in Lincoln, Nebraska. Turnbull will speak on the "Status of Groundwater Control Areas in Nebraska".

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

The Board of Directors viewed the NARD video newsletter.

Lowell Peters, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
January 22, 1981

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Robert J. Bitner, District Engineer
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Mgr.
Raymond Burke, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Sec.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs Mgr.
Wayne Hansen, Director	Bill Gilliam, D.C., York County SCS
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Larry D. Farris, D.C., Clay County SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Ervin Lechner, Natural Resources Comm.
Kenneth Regier, Director	Keith Niemann, York Co. Extension
Max Ronne, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published January 12, 1980, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 14 present, 1 absent, 2 vacancies

OATH OF OFFICE

Turnbull, General Manager and Notary Public, administered the Oath of Office to newly elected directors White, Ronne, Kaiser, Volkmer and Ratliff simultaneously. Each director signed his oath of office; the oath with the director's signature was notarized by the notary public and will be placed on file at the NRD office, York, Nebraska.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Burke made the motion (Motion #1) to suspend the By-Laws to accept nominations from the floor for each officer and to vote for each officer by written ballot if more than one person is nominated for the office. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Chairman. Ehlers nominated Larry Moore. There being no further nominations, Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) to close nominations for Chairman and cast an unanimous ballot for Larry Moore as Chairman. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called.

Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Moore

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman. Burke nominated Roger Kaiser. Ronne nominated Bob Ehlers. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #3) to close nominations for Vice-Chairman. Seconded by Burke. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

Ballots were distributed to each Director. Chairman Moore appointed Rod DeBuhr and Stan Staab to tally votes. After count of ballots, the result was

announced as: Kaiser - 7 votes, Ehlers - 7 votes. The two nominees agreed to flip a coin. Kaiser won the toss and will be the Vice-Chairman.

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Secretary. Burke nominated Lowell Ehlers. There being no further nominations, Ehlers made the motion (Motion #4) to close nominations for Secretary and cast an unanimous ballot for Lowell Peters as Secretary. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, white, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Peters

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Treasurer. Regier nominated Roy Stuhr. There being no further nominations, Anderson made the motion (motion # 5) to close nominations for Treasurer and cast an unanimous ballot for Roy Stuhr as Treasurer. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr

#### APPOINTMENTS TO FILL BOARD VACANCIES

The floor was opened for nominations to fill the director vacancy of Sub-District II of the Upper Big Blue NRD. Hegeholz nominated Leonard Schlueter. Ehlers nominated Roy Carman. White made the motion (Motion #6) to close nominations for director of Sub-District II of the Upper Big Blue NRD. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried. The secretary called the roll for votes for either Roy Carman or Leonard Schlueter.

CARMAN: Ehlers, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer  
SCHLUETER: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Regier, Stuhr,  
White, Moore.

Leonard Schlueter is appointed to Sub-District II of the Upper Big Blue NRD for a four year term.

The floor was opened for nominations to fill the director vacancy of Sub-District VII of the Upper Big Blue NRD. Burke nominated Ardean Anderson. Ronne nominated Myron Norquest. Regier made the motion (Motion #7) to close nominations for director of Sub-District VII of the Upper Big Blue NRD. Seconded by Burke. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried. The secretary called the roll for votes for either Ardean Anderson or Myron Norquest.

ANDERSON: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Regier, White,  
Moore  
NORQUEST: Ehlers, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer

Ardean Anderson is appointed to Sub-District VII of the Upper Big Blue NRD for a four year term.

White made the motion (Motion #8) that the Minutes of the December 18, 1980, regular Board of Directors Meeting be approved as distributed. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier

#### APPOINTMENT OF NARD REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nominations for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Representative. Stuhr nominated Raymond Burke. Kaiser made the motion (motion # 9) to close nominations for NARD Representative and cast an unanimous ballot for Raymond Burke. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Burke

#### APPOINTMENT OF NARD ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nominations for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Alternate Representative. Ehlers nominated Bruce Anderson. Stuhr nominated Larry Moore. Moore declined the nomination. Stuhr withdrew his nomination and made the motion (Motion #10) to close nominations for NARD Alternate Representative and cast an unanimous ballot for Bruce Anderson. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier,  
Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Anderson

#### SCS REPORT

Larry Farris, Clay County SCS District Conservationist, reported that Clarence Schmidt, SCS Technician for Seward County, retired. Farris also reported that Wayne Vanek, Soil Scientist, from Ord, has been named to replace Bob Pollock, Soil Scientist in Aurora. The SCS quarterly reports were distributed. Farris noted that an error had been made in the feet of terraces constructed in Seward County. The report should read 37,860 feet instead of 7,860. Farris stated that Clay County SCS has had an excellent construction season due to the good weather.

Farris distributed handouts to accompany his slide presentation on Drip Irrigation Systems for Trees.

Bill Gilliam, York County SCS District Conservationist, gave York County Soil Surveys to the new directors.

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) that a letter be sent to Robert Foster, Area Conservationist, Grand Island, and A.E. Sullivan, State Conservationist, recommending that Ed Soucek replace Clarence Schmidt as SCS Technician in the Seward County Office. Seconded by White. Soucek is presently employed at the Saline County SCS Office. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee Meeting held January 14, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### DIRECT GROUNDWATER RECHARGE

Stuhr reported that Gary Lewis, Henningson, Durham & Richardson, presented a possible approach for groundwater recharge and asked that his firm be considered as a consultant for the project should the district pursue it. Mr. Lewis pointed out that HDR's concept calls for a major direct groundwater recharge project to be built in this basin. Methods utilized might well be injection wells on a massive scale, however such a scheme cannot be economically justified. Mr. Lewis suggested that a project of this nature

might be funded by the federal government on a grant basis as a demonstration project, but it would take a great deal of work to acquire such a grant.

#### NARD RESOLUTIONS

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #12) to not support the resolution to Establish and Support Interagency Committee of NRDs and SCS (NARD special committee to over-see NRD/SCS coordinating). Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #13) to support the NARD Board of Directors Meetings resolution to meet four times per year instead of six, to support the Nebraska Resources Development Fund resolution for a \$4.6 million request for FY 82, and to support the Improvement Project Authorities resolution allowing districts to contribute towards construction costs, etc. for special improvement projects. Seconded by Hansen. Discussion followed on the locations of the NARD Board of Directors Meetings. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

#### LEGISLATION

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #14) to appear and testify in support of L.B. 110 (would allow NRDs to own their headquarters offices) when it is considered at the Legislative Hearing. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

#### NNRC REPORT

Ervin Lechner, Nebraska Natural Resources Commission Member, and the Board of Directors held a discussion on the possible creation of the position of Executive Coordinator by Governor Thone. This position would coordinate efforts of the Governor, Nebraska Natural Resources Commission, the Department of Environmental Control, and the Department of Water Resources. The responsibilities of this position, it's necessity, and the method of personnel selection were discussed. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #15) that the Board of Directors go on record as opposing the creation of the position of Executive Coordinator between the Governor's office, the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission, the Department of Environmental Control and the Department of Water Resources pending further clarification. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Burke

Ervin Lechner, NNRC member, reported on the L.B. 450 Nebraska Water Conservation Program. Lechner explained some of the problems being experienced with the districts expending apportioned funds. The Commission is asking that unobligated funds be returned to them for redistribution in the 9th month period instead of waiting until the end of the year. Bitner stated he felt the Commission should require the practices be completed within ninety days instead of nine months to avoid large obligated balances that have not been expended at the end of the year.

Lechner reported on the Resources Development Funding as proposed by the Governor and the requirements. Approximately \$7.8 million is being requested by the Natural Resources Commission for projects and obligations in 1981. The Governor has proposed, in his trade off for cigarette tax monies, to cut the budget to approximately \$3.5 million. Lechner said the Commission cannot carry out their obligations to the NRDs with this amount. White made the motion (motion #16) to draft a letter to the Governor and to the Legislative Committee Members indicating support for adequate Natural Resources Commission funding as in the FY 82 budget request. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Stuhr, Volkmer

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held January 14, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NARD DELEGATES FOR LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #17) that Larry Moore, Chairman and Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman be voting delegates for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts' Legislative Conference to be held January 26-27, 1981 in Lincoln. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Moore

#### 4th QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #18) that the 4th Quarter Per Diem of \$1,200 and expenses of \$1,491.39 be approved for payment. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held January 14, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion # 19) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the ten (10) NRD funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$16,283.56. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff'. Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - ALLEN LARSON

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #20) that final payment for cost-share on terraces to Allen Larson, in the amount of \$3,386.59, be withheld until the District receives confirmation from the contractor that he has been paid. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #21) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the one (1) L.B. 450 cost-share application as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$3,191.10. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier

PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held January 14, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

HABITAT CONTRACT PAYMENTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #22) that the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program payments for January be made to the cooperators, as reviewed, in the amount of \$16,351.25 for a total of 573.5 acres. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Burke

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #23) that the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program payments for February be made to the cooperators, as reviewed, in the amount of \$5,052.75 for a total of 304.8 acres. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier,  
Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Anderson

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #24) that the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program payments for March, 1981, be made to the cooperators, as reviewed, in the amount of \$1,503.00 for a total of 67.4 acres. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier

McCOOL JUNCTION PARK

Kaiser reported that the landowners involved with the McCool Junction Park will be contacted to see if they are willing to sell their land for recreation purposes before applying for funds through the Game and Parks Commission.

SEWARD PARK

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #25) that partial payment of \$25,000 be paid to the City of Seward for the construction of their City Park. The NRD share will not exceed \$37,500 total. The remainder will be paid in 1982. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier

PAYMENT TO WESLEY HUENEFELD

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #26) that Wesley Huenefeld be reimbursed \$235.08 for the native grass seed planted in his wildlife habitat area. The

Game & Parks will reimburse the NRD 100%. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

White gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held January 14, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FRANK BRABEC WELL PERMIT

White reported that the committee met with Frank Brabec of David City. Mr. Brabec drilled a well in the NE1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 6, Township 14 North, Range 3 East in Butler County without obtaining a permit. Mr. Brabec contacted an adjacent NRD to find out if a permit was needed and was told he did not need a permit. White made the motion (Motion #27) that Frank Brabec did act in good faith and based on the misinformation he received, that the District waive the \$250 late permit fee and that Mr. Brabec's late permit be recommended for approval to the Department of Water Resources. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier

#### WATER QUALITY TESTING

White reported that Mark Nannen, Manager of the Blue River Association reviewed the results of the water quality testing which they conducted during 1980. The findings of this testing is available in report form and can be obtained from the Blue River Association office.

#### GWCDs EXTENSION OF EXISTENCE

White reported that Nannen told the Committee that Senator Sieck has introduced L.B. 81 which would extend the GWCD's existence five years (to 1987). Under present law the GWCDs would go out of existence in January, 1982. Nannen asked the NRD to support this bill. White made the motion (Motion #28) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors testify in support of L.B. 81. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers

#### FALL STATIC WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS AND 1980 RUNOFF INSPECTORS

The Blue River Association has billed the NRD for 2,029 miles driven in the Association area at 12¢ per mile and for 71 wells in Saline, Adams, Polk, and Butler Counties at \$4.00 each. The mileage charges and the per well charges billed are in conformance with the written agreement which the District has with the Association. The 1980 runoff inspectors costs were: Fillmore County - \$181.35, Hamilton County - \$583.75, Seward County - \$490.10, and York County - \$426.18. White made the motion (Motion #29) that the Blue River Association be paid the amount of \$527.48 for the fall static water level readings in the Upper Big Blue NRD and that the NRD also pay the GWCDs for their share of the cost of runoff inspection for the 1980 irrigation season in the amount of \$1,681.38. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers



REPLACEMENT WELL PUMP COLUMN POLICY

White reported that recently a couple discrepancies concerning the column size in a replacement well were brought to the Committee's attention. In both cases while the column size did increase the actual capacity decreased. The committee will consider these situations further in the near future.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held January 14, 1981, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

GILTNER PUBLIC SCHOOL OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

Ehlers reported that recently Larry Babcock, Superintendent of Giltner Public School requested an NRD Outdoor Classroom grant. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #30) that the NRD grant funding to Giltner Public School to be utilized for an outdoor classroom. This grant shall be in the amount of \$400 and must be expended within 24 months from the time of application approval. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

NRD NEWSLETTER EVALUATION

Ehlers reported that the NRD Newsletter was evaluated. Members and staff feel the newsletter is a worthwhile project and should continue on course. Efforts will be made to continue newsletter quality. A discussion was held on the newsletter mailing list.

NRD DIRECTORS TOUR

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #31) to conduct a directors tour of completed projects and ongoing NRD programs this winter. A tentative date of February 17, 1981 has been set. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

RATHJE FARM CONSERVATION AWARD

The Carl Rathje award is sponsored by the First National Bank of York and the Education Committee is searching for an appropriate ag related function for the presentation.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of December 31, 1980. Burke made the motion (Motion #32) to accept the Financial Statement and Budget Report as of December 31, 1980, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
December 16, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Ken Regier, Vice-Chairman	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Department Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Doug Dickinson, Director-Elect, Seward
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Rick Kidd, Area SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay SCS
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Dan Himsforth, Clay SCS
Morris White, Director	Dale Orlog, KAWL Radio
Lee Baker, HDR	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published December 7, 1982 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 14 present, 3 absent, with Anderson and Moore arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the November 16, 1982, regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

SCS REPORT

The 4th quarter progress report was distributed to the directors and an update on current SCS activities was given.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held December 7, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NRD INFORMATION FLYERS

Schlueter reported the need for a general information flyer to describe NRD accomplishments, programs, project summaries, purpose and responsibilities was discussed. A flyer of this type would also have a card insert with board members', state organizations, adjacent NRDs, SCS, Extension names and phone numbers. The flyers will be used for handouts at public meetings, fairs, expos, home shows, etc.

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #2) that 1,000 flyers be printed (including information cards as inserts) for a total cost not to exceed \$315.12. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

NACD ACTION IDEA EXCHANGE

The 37th annual NACD convention will feature an opportunity to showcase NRD programs and activities. On behalf of Nebraska's NRDs, the Upper Big Blue Public Information Department will coordinate participation for the exhibit. Materials and handouts will be collected from other NRDs across the state, with the State Association helping. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #3) that the Public Information Department Manager attend the NACD convention with responsibility for coordinating the "Action Idea Exchange". It is further recommended to send one other staff member plus two directors to represent the district at the NACD convention. Seconded by Hegeholz. Anderson amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #4) that as many directors attend that wish to with the total amount expended for the directors not to exceed the equivalent cost of sending two. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

KRVN RADIO CONTEST - NEBRASKA TREE PLANTING

Schlueter reported that KRVN plans to hold a contest dealing with tree planting promotion. Trees will be given as prizes to the winners and several NRDs in the KRVN listening area are being asked to consider the actual planting and supervision of windbreak or shelterbelt design. Our NRD would be responsible only for the actual planting costs and labor. This will occur only if there are winners within our NRD. Actual tree numbers will be less than 1,000. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #5) to participate in KRVN's tree promotion as presented. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

1983 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION TEACHER WORKSHOP

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #6) to continue in support of the Camp Jefferson Teacher Workshop, and continue to pay one-third of the costs. Seconded by White. Discussion followed. Ehlers amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #7) to participate in one-third of the cost as long as sixteen teachers participate in the workshop. Seconded by Schlueter.

Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: Anderson  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

1982 APPROVAL OF PAYMENT

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #8) that payment of \$1,163.53 be made to the Little Blue

NRD for our one-third of the costs of the 1982 Environmental Education Teacher Workshop. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held December 7, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FALL WATER LEVELS

Obermier reported maps showing average water level changes for each township in the NRD were reviewed. The average change over the entire district was a rise of 1.94 feet.

#### STRUEBING DAM WATER RIGHTS

Obermier reported since the last time the committee discussed this topic the staff has spoken with all the interested parties. It appears that Richard Struebing is the only landowner who is seriously interested in using water from the reservoir. John Klosterman did express interest earlier but has since decided the water supply would be too unreliable on his property to justify the expense in setting up to use it. Staff is preparing a contract for Mr. Struebing and will bring it to the board as soon as Mr. Struebing is ready.

#### REQUEST TO CONSIDER CHANGE IN CONTROL AREA RULES

Obermier reported that the committee discussed a proposal by Merlin Volkmer to change the control area rules to reflect some allowance for the increased number of wells in the district. This proposal was presented to the board for their consideration at a later date.

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3

Lee Baker, Henningson, Durham & Richardson, Inc., discussed with the board of directors HDR's responsibilities on the School Creek Site #3 project.

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held December 6, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ENGINEERING STUDIES POLICY

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #9) that the engineering studies policy alternatives be sent back to the committee for review. Question called. Motion carried. Seconded by Peters.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### LEGISLATION

The latest draft of the Groundwater Recharge Bill was distributed to the directors for their review.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held December 6, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #10) that tentative approval be given to the two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$3,500.00. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #11) that final approval be given to the two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,622.37. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #12) that tentative approval be given to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,531.02. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #13) that final approval be given to the four L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$17,627.40. Seconded by White, Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

CITY OF AURORA - LINCOLN CREEK FLOODING Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) that the Upper Big Blue NRD not get involved with resolving flooding problems in Aurora. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Peters  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

SMITH CREEK PROJECT - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #15) that Mid-Western Contracting Company be paid \$22,539.80 for construction work completed in November on the Smith Creek Dam and that \$2,253.98 (10%) be held as retainage. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

SMITH CREEK PROJECT - CROP DAMAGE PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #16) that the Upper Big Blue NRD pay Robert L. Beckler and Beverly J. Beckler the sum of \$1,675.00 for crop damage that was attained during the construction of the Smith Creek Project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

SMITH CREEK PROJECT - RECREATION FACILITY

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #17) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors authorize the NRD staff to let Centennial High School build the comfort station and picnic tables and grills at a cost not to exceed \$2,200.00. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

GROSSHANS PROJECT - FINAL PAYMENT TO BRADY & ASSOCIATES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #18) that Brady & Associates be paid \$687.30 as final payment for surveying services on the Grosshans Project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne, Volkmer, White  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held December 6, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NACD DUES

Regier made the motion (Motion #19) to make payment of \$375.00 to the National Association of Conservation Districts for the 1983 dues. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

#### NARD LEGISLATIVE & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Regier made the motion (Motion #20) that Bob Ehlers be appointed as the Upper Big Blue NRD's representative to the NARD Legislative and Government Affairs Committee for 1983. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

#### NARD VOTING DELEGATE & ALTERNATE

Regier made the motion (Motion #21) that Roy Stuhr be appointed as delegate and Bob Ehlers be appointed as alternate delegate for all NARD conference voting functions in 1983. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Regier made the motion (Motion #22) to make payment of \$1,966.05 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work in November, 1982. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### GENERAL REPORTING SERVICE

Regier made the motion (Motion #23) to make payment of \$707.60 to General Reporting Services of Lincoln for preparing of the Twin Valley Hearing transcripts. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### TERM OF OFFICE, BOARD OFFICERS

Regier made the motion (Motion #24) to make no change or addition to the NRD ByLaws,

concerning the number of terms individuals may serve as officers of the board. Seconded by Peters. Discussion followed. White amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #25) that the Executive Committee's term be limited to four years. Seconded by Anderson. Further discussion followed. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Anderson, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: Andersen, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

Question called on the original motion. Motion failed.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: Anderson, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

CHANGE COMMITTEE MEMBER TERMS BY AMENDING NRD BYLAWS Regier made the motion (Motion #26) that Article III, C,1 of the NRD's By-Laws be changed to read: "The membership of the committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. Committee memberships will be reviewed and new appointments made every two years but not later than the March board meeting immediately following the general elections. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### CHANGE THE STANDING COMMITTEES

Regier made the motion (Motion #27) to change Article III, B, 1,2,3,4,5,& 6, and C,2 of the NRD's By-Laws be changed to read:

#### B. STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee
2. Education and Parks Committee
3. Projects Committee
4. Water Committee
5. All standing committees may be organized internally into special sub-committees to meet special functions by designation of the committee chairman and/or Executive Committee. All such special sub-committees must be comprised of at least three (3) members.

- C. 2. Eight board members shall be appointed to each standing committee and further each board member shall serve on two committees, except the board chairman (see Article II, B.1).

Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of November, 30, 1982. Ronne made the motion (Motion #28) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of November 30, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### NRD PROPERTY

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #29) to list the property owned by the NRD, with realtors

for the approximate price the NRD has invested. Seconded by Ronne. Discussion followed. Stuhr amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #30) that the land be listed with a realtor for \$50,000.00. Seconded by Anderson. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION ELECTION

Regier reported that the NNRC elections will be January 13, 1983 in Milford. Regier made the motion (Motion #32) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors support Larry Moore for Nebraska Natural Resources Commission member. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Moore  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3

Regier made the motion (Motion #33) that the Board of Directors go into Executive Session at 4:55 p.m. to discuss possible litigation with Henningson, Durham & Richardson, Inc. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Ronne

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #34) to go back into regular session at 5:20 p.m. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ehlers, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #35) to authorize the Manager, John Turnbull, to negotiate a settlement with Henningson, Durham & Richardson, Inc., with an answer required from them within ten days. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #36) to make payment of \$22,418.99 to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission as soon as feasible. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Hansen, Kaiser

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary



MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
November 16, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Nancy Schneider, Assistant Secretary
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Dale Orlog, KAWL Radio
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Daryl Wilton, York ASCS
Ardean Andersen, Director	Bill Gilliam, York SCS
Bruce Anderson, Director	Douglas Dickinson, Director-Elect
Raymond Burke, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ervin Lechner, NNRC
Roger Kaiser, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Norman Obermier, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Max Ronne, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay SCS
John Turnbull, General Manager	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published November 4, 1982 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 14 present, 3 absent with Obermier arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the October 21, 1982, regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Regier

SCS REPORT

Jerry Willhoft, Liaison D.C., gave the SCS report. Ken Franzen, Adams County SCS D.C., gave a report on drip irrigation systems.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held November 8, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

CITY OF AURORA REQUEST FOR PLANNING ASSISTANCE

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #2) that the Board of Directors approve a study to be done by the NRD engineering department for the purpose of recommending a solution to flooding problems in Aurora along Lincoln Creek. Further, this study be done subsequent to the residential subdivision design firm reviewing their location criteria. Seconded by Burke. Discussion followed. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #3) to table the motion before the board. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Ratliff, Stuhr

NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier  
Burke made the motion (Motion #4) to send the original motion back to the Projects Committee until more information is received from the City of Aurora. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ratliff  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #5) that tentative approval be given to one cost-share application for reuse pit rebuilding in the amount of \$401.76. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr, Moore  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #6) that final approval be given to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$998.76. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

SMITH CREEK PROJECT - CONTRACTOR PROGRESS PAYMENT

Kaiser made the motion (motion #7) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$56,519.54, \$5,651.95 of which is to be withheld as retainage, to Mid Western Contracting Company as payment for labor and materials furnished in October on the Smith Creek Project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

GROSSHANS PROJECT - SURVEYOR PROGRESS PAYMENT

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #8) that Brady and Associates be paid \$1,400.28 for site surveying on the Grosshans Project. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

WILDLIFE POND - CLAY COUNTY Kaiser made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board of Directors give tentative approval for a wildlife pit as a special project and that the cost-share rate shall be 75% of estimated cost based on county average costs or 75% of actual cost, whichever is least. It is further recommended that approval of this project be contingent upon approval of the area adjacent to the pit under the criteria of the district's wildlife habitat program. Seconded by Bruce Anderson. Question called. Motion failed.  
AYE: None  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held November 8, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LIVING SNOWFENCE PROGRAM

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #10) that the District adopt a living snow fence program for State and right-of-way property. The District's; policy regarding this program would be for the District to provide the trees and do the planting and spraying. The State will prepare the ground for tree planting and reimburse the District for the trees, planting and spraying. Such cost is not to exceed the going rate. Any replants will be handled in the same manner. The District's policy will be that the District will not plant any living snowfence for the State outside the District boundaries. This program is designed to be consistent with other like programs; throughout the state. Additional matters will be considered, as situations arise, by the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Department Manager according to the tree program policy as written. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### EDUCATION & WATER COMMITTEES JOINT MEETING REPORT

Andersen gave a report on the Joint Education and Water Committee meeting held November 9, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WATER CONSERVATION WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS & FIELD DAYS

Andersen reported topics for water conservation with regard to potential workshops, seminars and field days were discussed. Seventeen topics were evaluated and ranked according to committee member preference with consideration given to landowner and irrigator needs. Although all the topics are worthy, the joint committee selected the following areas that will be stressed: (1) conservation tillage, (2) cropping systems, (3) fertilizer use and total management, (4) chemical injection through pivots, (5) better results with gated pipe, (6) tailwater reuse systems, (7) irrigation scheduling, moisture blocks, tensiometers, (8) pumping plant efficiency, (9) crop water use program, and (10) SCS irrigation target program. Some of these topics can be combined and the intent is to work closely with the SCS and county Extension Agents. Andersen made the motion (Motion #11) that two workshops be held in the Eastern and Western portion of the district (possibly in the Utica and Sutton areas) in late February or early March with follow up field days in the summer. Cooperators will be secured to help demonstrate the conservation practices. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Andersen gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held November 9, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### MARQUETTE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

Anderson made the motion (Motion #12) that Marquette Public Schools be considered for the \$400 grant to develop an outdoor classroom. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### CRETE FARM FORUM AND EXPOSITION

Andersen reported this show, being held January 18th & 19th 1983, annually attracts over 4,000 farmers, ranchers, and others interested in agriculture issues. The 1983 show is expected to attract 4,500 and offers commercial as well as education exhibits. Sponsored by KTAP-Crete, this event will provide an opportunity to expand our public relations work with regard to the "Landmark Water Project". The NRD has been invited to make a 45 minute presentation, complete with questions and answers. Andersen made the motion (Motion #13) to send the public relations department manager to make the presentation at Crete and also explore the possibility of repeating the program at a similar show in Columbus this winter. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,

Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore!  
NAY: None  
Absent: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### INFORMATIONAL FLYERS

Andersen reported the committee reviewed several flyers designed to inform citizens regarding NRD programs and past achievements. One flyer focused on "The First Decade of NRD Conservation Work" and also contained an insert card with directors and staff, major state organizations, adjacent NRDs, SCS, ASCS and Extension offices and phone numbers. The staff has been directed to develop a similar flyer and obtain printing costs.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held November 15, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SCHOOL CREEK #3 NRDF REIMBURSEMENT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #14) that the district request the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission delay action until at least the December, 1982 Commission meeting on the reimbursement of Resource Development Funds for School Creek Site 43 Project, to allow the District and Commission to further assess the circumstances and costs of the project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

#### SCHOOL CREEK #3 NRDF REIMBURSEMENT

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #15) to approve payment of \$3,601.05 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's legal work during September 21 to October 20, 1982. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### BUILDING REMODELING

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #16) that the board authorize Don's Construction Company of York, Nebraska to remodel the board room as per the proposal for a cost not to exceed \$2,1100.00 and further that this work be completed not later than December 15, 1982. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Obermier, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### 1983 WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #17) that the board authorize Ken Regier and one other person to go on the 1983 NARD Washington, D.C. trip and authorizes the deposit of \$1,000 to be made. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Report held November 15, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FY 82 AUDIT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #18) to accept the FY 82 Audit as prepared by Romans, Wiemer & Schulz. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

PROJECT PRIORITY CRITERIA

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #19) to adopt the Project Priority Rating System as presented. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Moore  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier

PLATTE RIVER FORUM

Anderson made the motion (Motion #20) to pay \$5,000 to the Platte River Forum Trust. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier, Ratliff

Obermier made the motion (Motion #21) that a letter of encouragement to retain Mike Jess as Director of the Department of Water Resources, be sent to Governor Elect Kerry. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier, Ratliff

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of October 31, 1982. White made the motion (Motion #22) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of October 31, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen, Regier, Ratliff

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
October 12, 1982

A Special Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:56 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Max Ronne, Director
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Ardean Andersen, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bruce Anderson, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Manager
Raymond Burke, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Dave Clabaugh, Water Dept. Asst. Mgr.
Wayne Hansen, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Roger Kaiser, Director	Donald Glantz, RFD, Hastings, NE
Norman Obermier, Director	Roland Glantz, RFD, Hastings, NE
	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published October 2, 1982, in York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 13 present, 4 absent.

IRRIGATION RUNOFF HEARING DECISION

White made the motion (Motion #1) that the Upper Big Blue NRD Board of Directors hereby order R.E. Eckhardt of Hastings, Nebraska and Keven Krueger of Trumbull, Nebraska to cease and desist from allowing groundwater irrigation runoff originating on the SW1/4 of Section 12, Township 7 North, Range 9 West in Adams County, to leave said property under their control. Further, that a schedule of compliance and work order be submitted by the above mentioned parties in accordance with Rule 3(2)(h) of the District's runoff rules and regulations. Seconded by Ehlers. Stuhr amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #2) to place Mr. Krueger on 12 months probation in order to allow him to implement the runoff control procedures he outlined. Seconded by Ronne. Considerable discussion followed. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Ronne, Stuhr  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Regier, White, Moore  
ABSENT: Hegeholz, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Regier, White, Moore, Ronne  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr  
ABSENT: Hegeholz, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Lowell Peters, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
October 21, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Morris White, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Raymond Burke, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bob Ehlers, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Bill Kaufman, Goodyear Company
Norman Obermier, Director	Mervin Ransom, Sr., Osceola
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	James Gocke, Waco
	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published October 11, 1982 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent with Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the September 23, 1982 regular Board of Directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Regier

Burke made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the minutes of the October 12, 1982 Special Board of Directors Meeting as corrected by adding Ronne to "aye" vote on Motion #2. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ratliff  
ABSENT: Regier

GOODYEAR CONSERVATION AWARD

Bill Kaufman, Goodyear Tire Company, presented the Goodyear Conservation Award to Mervin Ransom, Sr., of Osceola.

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3

Moore and Turnbull attended the October 21, 1982, Nebraska Natural Resources Commission Board Meeting. The Commission is requesting that the Upper Big Blue NRD repay 50% or \$34,071.85 of the Resources Development Fund grant paid to the district on the School Creek Site #3 project. The motion was tabled until the November 18th Commission meeting. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) that this matter be sent to the Executive Committee for discussion and brought back to the November Board meeting for action. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

SCS REPORT

Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore County SCS, gave the SCS report. The Quarterly Progress Report was distributed and reviewed.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held October 12, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FY 83-87 LONG RANGE PLAN

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #4) to adopt the FY 83-87 Long Range Plan as presented. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

PROJECT PRIORITY CRITERIA

Turnbull reviewed an outline for project priority ratings. The other committees will review the proposed priority criteria before action is taken.

PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held October 14, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WILDLIFE HABITAT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

White made the motion (Motion #5) to authorize the NRD staff to sign up to \$56,000 worth of Wildlife Habitat contracts in FY 84. An additional \$4,000 will show on the budget for plant materials and ground preparation for a total of \$60,000. The Game and Parks Commission will pay 75% of the \$56,000 and 100% of the \$4,000. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

NEW WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACTS

White made the motion (Motion #6) to accept the new cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program, as presented and reviewed, for a total of 119 acres and annual payments of \$2,007.50. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

HABITAT AREA GROUND PREPARATION PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #7) to make payment of \$150.00 for ground preparation on Donald Biester's new habitat land. This amount will be reimbursed 100% by the Game and Parks Commission. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

FY 83 TREE PROGRAM

White made the motion (Motion #8) that the Upper Big Blue NRD charge 28¢ per tree, 21¢ per tree for planting and 6¢ per tree for spraying, for a total of 55¢ per tree. Seconded by Burke. Considerable discussion followed concerning the increase in tree cost each year. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Ratliff, Stuhr



ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Regier

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Peters gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held October 14, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

DIRECTORS' 3RD QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Peters made the motion (Motion #9) to approve the 3rd quarter per them of \$2,267.23 and expenses of \$1,962.36. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Raiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

1982 GMDA CONVENTION

Peters made the motion (Motion #10) that \$2,000 or full convention costs for four directors be authorized for travel, food, lodging and registration to attend the 1982 GMDA Convention December 1, 2, and 3, 1982 in Scottsdale, Arizona. Seconded by Volkmer. Considerable discussion followed. Hansen amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #11) that up to \$500 per person or \$2,000 total be expended. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Kaiser, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

ATTORNEY'S FEES

Peters made the motion (Motion #12) that payment of \$5,109.10 be made to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for legal services from August 22, 1982 through September 20, 1982. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held October 18, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #13) that tentative approval be given to the six NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$13,309.65. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) that final approval be given to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$651.38. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Raiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - REVISION

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #15) to approve an additional \$1,875.00 for 2,000 feet of cut and fill terrace on Mary Ann Bongers L.B. 450 cost-share application in Butler County. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS PAYMENT - BECKLER DAM

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #16) to approve payment of \$7,865.00 to J.P. Theisen & Sons, Inc., for clearing and grubbing of the Beckler Dam Site. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

SURVEYING SERVICES PAYMENT - GROSSHANS DAM

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #17) to approve payment of \$1,611.46 to Brady and Associates for preliminary design survey of the Grosshans Dam Site. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

SUSPENDED PROJECTS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #18) to suspend the following projects: Hottovy Dam - Butler County, Koranda Dam - Seward County, O'Connor Dam Fillmore County, Blue Bluffs Project - Seward County, and Obermier C-1 Dam - York County. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

ACTIVATE PROJECTS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #19) to activate the following projects for priority consideration at a later date: Grosshans Dam - Hamilton County, Siebert Dam - York County, Bristol Dam - York County, Prigge Dam Butler County, Big Weedy Creek Dam - Seward County, Epke Dam - York County, Crooked Creek Dam -Seward County, Indian Creek Dam - Seward County, Wolstenholm Dam - York County, Sleepy Hollow Creek Dam - Seward County, and York East Recreation Lake - York County. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

CENTRAL BUTLER STRUEBING DAM PAYMENT

Anderson made the motion (Motion #20) that payment of \$10,000 be made to the Lower Platte North Natural Resources District as a progress payment for the Struebing Dam. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of' September 30, 1982. White made the motion (Motion #21) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of September 30, 1982, as presented to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
September 9, 1982

A special board of directors meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Raymond Burke, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Robert Beckler, Beaver Crossing
Roger Kaiser, Director	George Schluckebier, Utica
Raymond Ratliff, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published September 1, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 11 present, 6 absent

BECKLER DAM, SEWARD COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Feather reviewed the terms of the landowner's easements with the board. Bitner stated the bid opening for the clearing and grubbing of the Beckler Dam site was held September 9, 1982. The four bids submitted were reviewed. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) that the board of directors accept the low bid of \$7,876.00 from J.P. Theisen and Sons, Inc. of Osmond, Nebraska and enter into a contract with the same for the clearing and grubbing of the Beckler Dam Site, Seward County, Nebraska. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, White

Feather reported that there will be approximately 6 acres of crop damage on Robert Becklers land.: The negotiations with Mr. Beckler for payment on these damages were reviewed. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) that Mr. Beckler be paid \$2.50 per bushel (on an average of 100 bushel per acre) for the six acres of crop damage. The total amount of crop damage payment to be \$1,500.00. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Regier, Ronne, White

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
September 23, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Max Ronne, Director
Ken Regier, Vice-Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Morris White, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	John Turnbull, Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Nancy Schneider, Asst. Secretary
Raymond Burke, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bob Ehlers, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	James Gocke, Waco
Roger Kaiser, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Gary Wooten, Saline Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS

Bob Foster, Area V SCS Office

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published September 13, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent with Andersen and Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ronne made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the FY 83 Budget Hearing held August 19, 1982, as distributed. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz  
ABSENT: Andersen

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the minutes of the August 19, 1982, regular Board of Directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #3) to approve the minutes of the September 9, 1982, special Board of Directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

SCS REPORT

Rabbe reported that Kevin Barrows has been hired as a Soil Conservationist for Seward County. The Seward office will continue to be under the York District Conservationist's supervision. Jerry Wilhoft has been hired as the Liaison District Conservationist in Hamilton County. Joe Vavricka has been hired as a Soil Conservationist in Fillmore County to work with the targeted funds.

Bob Foster, Area Conservationist, presented the Area V Multi-Year Plan to the Board. A copy of the Plan is on file at the district's office.

Gary Wooten, Saline County D.C., discussed what conservation plans are and how they are used.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held September 9, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Regier made the motion (Motion #4) that Geis Motor's offer of \$1,334.78 be accepted to install a Target Master Engine in the 1979 3/4-ton Chevy pickup. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer White, Moore

NAY: None

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #5) to approve payment of \$1,061.25, to Luebs, Dowding, Beltzer, Leininger & Smith for work on the School Creek Project from January 4, 1982 thru March 1, 1982, and payment of \$3,496.05 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for services from July 21, 1982 thru August 19, 1982 for work on the Twin Valley Water Rights and Central Butler Hladky Case. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Volkmer gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting held September 9, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #6) that the September, October and November Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program payments be made to the cooperators for a total amount of \$9,912.25. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Anderson gave a report on the Education Committee meeting held September 9, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### PROPOSAL TO EXTEND AN OUTDOOR CLASSROOM CONCEPT IN YORK LINEAR PARK

Anderson reported the committee discussed the possibility of tree and shrub identification along footpaths throughout the Linear Park. An appropriate name tag could be placed by the various species which would aid citizens in learning more about trees. The York Public School is also interested in this project and would be willing to share the cost of labels. Staff was asked to research this issue and report back to the committee on the total cost involved.

#### NATIONAL WATER RESOURCES CONVENTION

Anderson reported the National Water Resources Convention will be held October 24-27 at Salt Lake City. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #7) that one person attend the National Water Resources Convention in Salt Lake City October 24-27, 1982. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### NRD FALL DIRECTORS TOUR

Anderson reported that a fall directors' tour is planned for Tuesday, November 16, 1982.

The eastern portion of the district will be toured with stops at the Smith Creek - Beckler Dam Project, land treatment practices, and the proposed Big Weedy Dam site. The tour will continue on to the Central Butler Project near David City and then to Polk county for more land treatment practices.

#### NEBRASKA WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION TOUR

Anderson reported that the NWRA is planning a tour to the Calamus Project which is now under construction. The NWRA will hold it's fall water conference at Ord, followed by the tour into the Burwell area on October 8th.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held September 16, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### USE OF WATER FROM DISTRICT CONTROLLED RESERVOIRS

Obermier reported that the staff distributed a draft of a contract to be entered into with landowners on the Struebing Dam for use of the water. Obermier made the motion (Motion #8) that the Board of Directors give first priority for water from the Struebing Reservoir in time of shortage to Richard Struebing. Seconded by Hegeholz. Considerable discussion followed. Hansen made the motion (Motion #9) to table motion #8. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Hegeholz, Ronne  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Obermier

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff Gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held September 22, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Ratliff made the motion (motion #10) that tentative approval be given to the seven L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$13,666.68. Seconded by White. Question called,. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #11) that final approval be given to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$6,856.49. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #12) that tentative approval be given to the eight NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$15,490.41. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #13) that final approval be given to the two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,427.97. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### BECKLER DAM - BECKLER EASEMENT

Ratliff made the motion (motion #14) that the Upper Big Blue NRD accept the easement as

signed by Robert L. and Beverly J. Beckler and make payment of \$6,990.00 for the easement of 2.93 acres which entails the area where the dam will be placed, 8.01 acres which will include the permanent and temporary water of the reservoir and 3.04 acres which includes the recreational area for a total of 13.98 acres. This area is also open to public use. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### BECKLER DAM - SCHLUCKEBIER EASEMENT

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #15) that the Upper Big Blue NRD accept the easement as signed by George and Delight Schluckebier and make payment of \$8,380.00 for the easement on 16.76 acres for the storage of permanent and temporary water. This area will also include public use. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### BECKLER DAM - SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR

Ratliff made the motion (motion #16) that Midwestern Contracting Company be awarded the contract for constructing the Beckler Dam, Seward County, for the low bid of \$258,303.98. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### BECKLER DAM - ENGINEERING SERVICES PAYMENT

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #17) that Western Labs be paid \$6,909.81 for engineering services on embankment and foundation design for the Beckler Dam. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### GROSSHANS DAM - BRADY & ASSOCIATES PAYMENT

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #18) that Brady & Associates be paid \$989-06 for surveying services on the Grosshans Dam. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, - Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - REUSE PIT REBUILD PROGRAM

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #19) that the Board of Directors adopt the proposed reuse pit rebuild program. Seconded by White. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White

NAY: Andersen, Kaiser, Obermier, Stuhr, Moore

ABSTAIN: Anderson, Peters, Volkmer

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of August 31, 1982. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #20) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of August 31, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

##### BOARD ROOM REMODELING

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #21) that the staff contact the original building contractor, Don Mason, to obtain a feasibility report and cost estimate on removing the



partitioning wall in the NRD board room to allow more space. Further that such information be brought to the October board of directors meeting. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Volkmer

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
August 19, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Ken Regier, Vice-Chairman	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Ardean Andersen, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS
Raymond Burke, Director	Lee Draeger, Polk Co. SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Butler Co. SCS
Wayne Hansen, Director	Rex Weber, McCool Junction
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Norman Obermier, Director	Bill Holliday, Aurora
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Kathy Holliday, Dist. Clerk, Aurora
Max Ronne, Director	O.D. Rodene, Osceola
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mary Rodene, Dist. Clerk, Osceola
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Ruth Greene, Dist. Clerk, York
Morris White, Director	Joyce Wattles, Dist. Clerk, Geneva
John Turnbull, General Manager	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this. public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published August 9, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 2 absent with Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ronne made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the July 15, 1982 regular Board of Directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hegeholz, Kaiser, Stuhr

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held August 10, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FY 1983 BUDGET

Burke made the motion (Motion #2) to adopt the FY 1983 budget as presented at the budget hearing. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore  
NAY: Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Andersen  
ABSENT: Hegeholz, Kaiser, Stuhr

PLATTE RIVER FORUM FOR THE FUTURE

Bitner briefed the board on the one week session held in Grand Island the first week of August, 1982. He explained that a working computer model of the Platte River was developed by the 41 participants, shadow team and head team (Fish & Wildlife group from Fort Collins, Colorado). The participants represented the many different viewpoints about the River and its uses.

No trial runs with projected projects were run on the model because some members of the

group felt it may show some projects are not as technically and economically acceptable as others.

A five member technical review committee has been established to review any proposed changes to the model. It has not yet been determined as to where the model will be housed.

Burke made the motion (Motion #3) to direct John Turnbull to work with other interested parties, that is the Bureau of Reclamation, Tri-County, Platte River Trust and others to explore alternatives to the five man committee that has been proposed. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: Andersen

ABSTAIN: Hegeholz

ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

#### PERSONNEL AWARDS

Since the district is celebrating it's 10th anniversary of existence five of the district's employees were recognized and given awards for their service to the district and other preceding organizations. Those receiving awards were Joyce Wattles for 10 years of service, Kathy Holliday for 10 years of service, Ruth Greene for 15 years of service, Mary Rodene for 17 years of service and Ken Feather for 5 years of service.

#### SCS REPORT

Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS presented the advance sheets for the Hamilton County Soil Survey to the board. Personnel is being hired to administer the targeted funds. Hamilton County will become the Liaison SCS office as soon as a new district conservationist is hired. Jerry Willhoft gave a slide presentation.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held August 10, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### INSURANCE

Regier made the motion (Motion #4) to make payment of \$4,814.91 to Hylton-Finn Insurance, Inc. for the FY 83 general insurance program. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

#### CHAIRS

Regier made the motion (Motion #5) that payment of \$3,353.40 be made to All Makes Office Equipment for the twenty director's chairs. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

#### OFFICE BUILDING - BONDING ATTORNEY FEES

Regier made the motion (Motion #6) that payment of \$2,498.15 be made to Baird, Holm, McEachen, Pedersen, Hamann & Strasheim for Richard Pedersen's work on the Robson building financing. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Moore

NAY: White

ABSTAIN: Obermier, Volkmer

ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

#### GMDA ANNUAL DUES

Regier made the motion (Motion #7) to make payment of \$100 to the Groundwater Management Districts Association for the 1982-1983 dues. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

ATTORNEY'S FEES

Regier made the motion (Motion #8) that payment of \$1,699.48 be made to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner and Kuester for Steve Seglin's work on the building transaction, Hladky case-Central Butler, Twin Valley water rights, Sporhase decision opinion and members serving on two boards. Seconded by Ronne. Discussion followed on the various charges. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hegeholz, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Obermier, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, Ratliff, Schlueter, White  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

NARD RESOLUTIONS

Regier reviewed the resolutions to be presented at the NARD Annual Conference in Columbus. Hegeholz made the motion (motion #9) to support Resolution I Regarding Apportionment of NWCP Funds. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

Anderson made the motion (Motion #10) to support Resolution II Regarding One Cent Sales Tax for Soil & Water Resources Development Projects. Seconded by Ronne. It was felt by several that the increase should include federal income tax. Hansen amended the motion to make -the motion (Motion #11) to support the Resolution if "and/or income tax" was included in the Resolution. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called on -the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #12) to support Resolution #3 Regarding Limiting District Liability for Flood Damages. Seconded by Burke. It was felt that the liability for flood damages resulting from flood control dams should also be limited. White amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #13) to support the resolution if the word "dam" was included in the last sentence along with "levee or dike". Seconded by Anderson. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, White  
NAY: Peters, Ronne  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer, Moore  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, White, Moore  
NAY: Peters, Ronne, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held August 9, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) that tentative approval be given to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$3,089.70. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White,  
Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

GROSSHANS PROJECT

Ehlers made the motion (motion #15) that the Board of Directors give approval for Brady & Associates to provide surveying for design on the Grosshans Project, fee not to exceed \$4,000.80 as stated on their proposal dated August 5, 1982. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Obermier, Stuhr

DORCHESTER WATERSHED CHANNEL #3 FINAL PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #16) that final payment on the Dorchester Watershed Channel #3 extension be made to Biba Engineering in the amount of \$8,873.19. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Andersen gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held August 4, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NRD OPEN HOUSE

Andersen made the motion (Motion #17) to hold the NRD open house on September 10, 1982 with not more than \$250 expended for refreshments and handouts. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of July 31, 1982. Ronne made the motion (Motion #18) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of July 31, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

HEARING REQUEST

DeBuhr reported that a formal runoff complaint was filed against an Adams County irrigator. This individual has requested a formal hearing before the board of directors. The hearing has been scheduled to precede the September Board of Directors meeting on September 23, 1982 at 7:00 p.m. Burke made the motion (Motion #19) that Jay Bitner be appointed as hearing examiner for the formal adjudicatory hearing scheduled for September 23, 1982 at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

#### LAND SALE

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #20) to sell the 3 acre tract of land in the SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 7, Township 10 North, Range 2 West in York County, Nebraska anytime the District can recover its costs. Further, that Rex Wochner be given first right of refusal. Seconded by Ronne. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Moore  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Turnbull reported that the Public Works Committee has scheduled a meeting with the Upper Big Blue NRD and the Lower Big Blue NRD for August 27th and 28th in Aurora. The primary purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for members of the Committee to become acquainted with our district's activities and needs. Directors are encouraged to attend this meeting.

#### SCHOOL CREEK PROJECT

Turnbull reported that the Commission has requested the District provide an explanation regarding the termination of the School Creek Project at its September 9th meeting. The Commission desire this information in order that it be more aware of the potential problems that can face project sponsors.

Burke made the motion (Motion #21) to go into executive session at 11:20 p.m. to discuss the Twin Valley Water Right Hearing. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #22) to return to regular session at 11:55 p.m. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

Burke made the motion (Motion #23) that John Turnbull and legal counsel be directed to continue to participate in the Twin Valley Water Right Hearing as necessary to protect this District's interest in the Platte River Water. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Stuhr

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 midnight.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
July 15, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:08 p.m. in the 4-H Building, York County Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Frank Hejna, Engineering Technician
Raymond Burke, Director	Dick Hayes, D.C., Clay Co. SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS
Wayne Hansen, Director	Wes Keiser, Technician, Fillmore SCS
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Bill Gilliam, D.C., York Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Richard Pederson, Attorney, Omaha
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Steve Seglin, Attorney, Lincoln
Max Ronne, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published July 5, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept of file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 0 absent with Andersen, Peters and Hansen arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ronne made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the June 17, 1982 regular Board of Directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Kaiser, Peters, Volkmer

SCS REPORT

Mike Rabbe, Acting Liaison D.C., reviewed the second quarter progress report. Conservation activities were down due to the long period of wet weather during the quarter. Rabbe reported that Wayne Vanek, Acting D.C. for Hamilton County is moving to Scottsbluff to survey Banner County. Dick Hayes and Wes Keiser, Clay County SCS, gave a slide presentation on terracing.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held July 8, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NRD OFFICE BUILDING FINANCING & LEASE DOCUMENTS

Regier made the motion (Motion #2) to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District, in the State of Nebraska as follows:

1. The Board of Directors hereby determines that the District is in need of a facility for its administrative offices; that Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Building Corporation has been formed under the Nebraska nonprofit corporation laws for the purpose of acquiring a building and leasing the same to the District and has offered to enter into a Lease Agreement with the District whereby the District may lease such building as authorized by Section 2-3233, R.R.S. Neb. 1943; that the documents necessary for the

transaction have been prepared and said documents should be approved and their execution authorized.

2. The District shall enter into a Lease Agreement with Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Building Corporation whereby said corporation will acquire the following described real estate:

Lots Four (4) and Five (5), Block Ninety-six (96), Original Town, now City of York, as surveyed, platted and recorded in York County, Nebraska,

and lease said real estate, including the office building located thereon, to the District and that the Lease Agreement in the form presented to this meeting be and hereby is approved.

3. The Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Directors be and they hereby are authorized and directed to execute and deliver on behalf of the District said Lease Agreement, including necessary counterparts, in substantially the form and content as presented to this meeting, with such changes or modifications therein as to them seem necessary, desirable or appropriate for and on behalf of the District and said Chairman and Secretary are further authorized and directed to execute and deliver any other documents or certificates and do all other things necessary or appropriate to carry out such transaction.

4. The Board of Directors does hereby approve the formation of Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Building Corporation, including the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws thereof and the three directors thereof and further approves the execution and delivery by said corporation of its Promissory Notes to the First National Bank of York and York State Bank & Trust Co. in the principal amount of \$210,000, bearing interest at 12% per annum, which Promissory Notes are to be dated as of the same date as the date of execution of the Lease Agreement above referred to and the Board of Directors further approves the Mortgage, Assignment and Security Agreement which is to be executed and delivered in connection with the issuance of said Promissory Notes to said banks.

5. The Board of Directors hereby declares that it is its intention to exercise the options provided for in said Lease Agreement and to take title to the real estate at the end of the term provided for in the Lease Agreement and further declares that it is the Board's intention to exercise the options provided for in said Lease Agreement and to take title to the real estate at the end of the term provided for in the Lease Agreement and further declares that it is the Board's intention to provide for the rentals payable under the Lease Agreement from year to year in the annual budget of the District.



6. The Board of Directors hereby states that it is the intention of the Board of Directors that the interest on the \$210,000 of Promissory Notes issued by Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Building Corporation shall be excludable from gross income under the federal income tax by virtue of Section 103(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and Revenue Ruling 63-20 issued thereunder, and the Chairman and Secretary of the Board are hereby authorized to take all actions necessary or appropriate to carry out said intention and obtain interest exclusion.

7. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage as provided by law.

Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: White

ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

#### DIRECTORS PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Regier made the motion (Motion #3) to approve Directors' per diem payment of \$2,835.00 and expenses of \$2,413.74 for the second quarter of 1982. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

#### COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

Regier reported that the staff reviewed the computer equipment, its usage and needs with the committee. The Committee's consensus is that the necessary leased equipment be moved to the new office by Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph. A request by the staff for additional computer equipment will be considered at a later date.

#### TELEPHONES

Regier reported that a representative of Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph met with the committee to discuss the telephone equipment needs in the new office. The Real Estate Contract calls for the District to take over the phone contract for the balance of the agreement (4 years remaining on a 7 year contract). The Committee directed staff to make the necessary arrangements.

#### INSURANCE

Regier made the motion (motion #4) that the insurance package from Hylton Finn Insurance of York including Property, Inland Marine, General Liability, Automobile, and Workers' Compensation be paid in the amount of \$3,547.91. Further, to revise the policy to insure the new office building for \$300,000, and the Osceola Field Office building for \$8,400. The Building Corporation is being named as an additional named insured at no extra charge. Seconded by Hansen. Considerable discussion followed on the amount of insurance needed on the Osceola office. Ratliff amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #7) that the insurance value on the Osceola Field office be raised to \$16,500. Seconded by Ronne. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

Question called on original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

#### NARD VOTING DELEGATES FOR SEPTEMBER CONFERENCE

Regier made the motion (Motion #6) that Bob Ehlers be appointed as the NARD voting delegate and Ken Regier as the alternate delegate for the September NARD conference. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

#### NEBRASKA PUBLIC WORKS HEARING

Regier reported The Nebraska Legislature's Public Works Committee will conduct a hearing on August 27-28 in Aurora in accordance with L.R. 275, (water study resolution). A series of questions and issues will be discussed with NRD boards at the hearing.

#### 1982 STATE IRRIGATION TOUR

Regier reported that the Executive Committee endorses the 1982 State Irrigation Tour in place of our district-sponsored tour. The district will handle the arrangements as it has in the past.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held July 15, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### RUNOFF INSPECTION FOR ADAMS AND SALINE COUNTIES

Obermier made the motion (Motion #7) that the District enter into agreement with the Seward and Clay County GWCDs for runoff inspection in the portions of Saline and Adams counties for the 1982 irrigation season. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

#### RUNOFF INSPECTION FOR BUTLER AND POLK COUNTIES

Obermier reported that because of the wet conditions it appears that the irrigation season will be short so no runoff inspector will be hired for Polk and Butler counties. Staff will do the inspection and surveillance as needed during the 1982 season.

#### COMPUTER PROGRAMMING NEEDS FOR THE CONTROL AREA

Obermier made the motion (Motion #8) that the following three computer programs be written for a total estimated cost of \$1,390: (1) Allocation Calculation - this program will calculate the allocation for each tract of land and calculate the allocation remaining, (2) Township Analysis - this program will calculate by township the acres irrigated, water use, and number of wells, and (3) Letter - this program will generate a form letter with the information to each farmer as to his allocation use and remaining allocation, etc. Seconded by Hansen. Considerable discussion followed on the need for the programs at the present time. It was felt that the programs will be needed in the future but immediate action was not necessary. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Hegeholz, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier  
NAY: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Ronne  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

CERTIFICATION OF IRRIGATED ACRES

Obermier reported that the staff has found several discrepancies in what irrigators have reported and what the county assessors have on their records as irrigated acres. Future guidance will be needed from the board on which records should be used in determine the certified acres.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held July 12, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

AURORA AREA DRAINAGE CONCERNS

Ehlers reported that the committee met with several guests from Hampton, Marquette, Aurora and Phillips. A common concern of this group is the need for planning assistance in correcting various drainage problems. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #9) that the Board authorize staff to prepare a preliminary design recommendation for controlling erosion and potential structural damage to a 36 inch tile on the Gerald Friesen property near Aurora. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

Ehlers made the motion (motion #10) that the Board authorize staff to prepare a preliminary design recommendation for correcting structural damage to a 48 inch tile on county right-of-way adjacent to the Wayne Troester property near Hampton. Seconded by White. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #11) that the Board authorize staff to prepare a proposal for developing a Special Improvement Project Area to improve drainage on sections 3-11-7W, 4-11-7W, 9-11-7W, and 10-11-7W with consideration for downstream damages. The proposal is to include an estimate of engineering costs to be assessed to landowners who benefit. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

LAND TREATMENT - FY 82 NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #12) that final approval be given to the two-NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$2,382.22. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

LAND TREATMENT - FY 82 L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #13) that final approval be given to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$687.26. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

LAND TREATMENT - FY 83 L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) that tentative approval be given to the seven L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$39,318.30. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

DORCHESTER WATERSHED CHANNEL #3 - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #15) that Biba Engineering Company be paid \$12,808.95 for work on the Channel #3 Project completed in June, 1982. Seconded by White. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

YORK COUNTY BOARD REQUEST FOR ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE

Ehlers reported that the York County Board has requested that the NRD make a recommendation to the County Board for resolving an erosion problem involving the County and Gerhardt Blum. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #16) that the Board authorize staff to prepare a preliminary design recommendation concerning the York County-Gerhardt Blum erosion problem. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Peters, Regier, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Hegeholz, Schlueter, White  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #17) that the Board Authorize staff to prepare a preliminary design recommendation concerning the York County-Gerhardt Blum erosion problem providing York County pays for the NRD staff time involved. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - STRUEBING DAM

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #18) that the Board concur with the Lower Platte North NRD's awarding of the Central Butler Struebing Dam contract to Camden Construction of Blair for a low bid of \$118,889.08, and further concur with the Lower Platte North NRD's decision to have Olsson and Associates of Lincoln provide construction inspection of same. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

PROJECT SUSPENSIONS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #19) that the Board suspend the following projects for reasons stated:

1. Gallagher - drainage project with no good place for water storage structure.
2. Waco South - Department of Environmental Control will not allow water storage because Village of Waco wastewater treatment plant discharges to the site.
3. Stromsburg Airport - this is not a good site for water impoundment due to runway. Recommend culvert under runway to pass water through the site.
4. School Creek Site #10 - lack of public support.

Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

PROJECT PRIORITY

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #20) that the following projects be considered for priority rating: (1) Smith Creek, (2) Grosshans, (3-10) Siebert, Bristol, Prigge, Obermier, Big Weedy Creek, Blue Bluffs, Epke, and Crooked Creek Structure A. Further, that priority for projects 3-10 be determined by factors such as public support, free easements, and possibility of public access and use of water. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

AURORA AREA DRAINAGE CONCERNS

Burke made the motion (Motion #21) that the Aurora Drainage District form a viable district with officers and apply to the NRD for engineering assistance. Further, that the cost of this time involved be charged to the Drainage District. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget Committee Meeting held July 13, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FY 83 BUDGET

Stuhr reported the committee reviewed all of the department and fund budgets for FY 83 as they had been forwarded from the various committees. Some minor changes were made. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #22) to approve the budget for publication and public hearing and that such hearing date be August 19, 1982. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of June 30, 1982. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #23) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of June 30, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Volkmer

Meeting adjourned at 11:33 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
June 17, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m. in the 4-H Building, York County Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Ardean Andersen, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Raymond Burke, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ervin Lechner, NNRC
Wayne Hansen, Director	Robert Reutzal, Sutton
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Mrs. Robert Reutzal, Sutton
Roger Kaiser, Director	Mrs. Roy Reutzal, Sutton
Norman Obermier, Director	Morris Flick, Bradshaw
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mrs. Morris Flick, Bradshaw
Max Ronne, Director	Ray Griffin, Aurora
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published June 7, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent with Anderson arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the May 20, 1982 regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson

NEBRASKA NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION REPORT

Ervin Lechner reported on the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission's current activities including the Platte River Forum scoping session held recently. A 42 member team was set up with six sitting on the advisory group.

SCS REPORT

Mike Rabbe, Acting Liaison D.C., reported on the current SCS activities. Water bank contracts, the Soil Conservation Service Budget and targeted funds were discussed.

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held June 8, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

VILLAGE OF GILTNER LATE PERMIT

Obermier made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the Village of Giltner's late permit be approved. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

FY 82 WATER DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Obermier reported that the staff's draft of the FY83 Water Department Budget was reviewed. The Committee questioned budgeting for remodeling of the new office for an upstairs meeting room and handicapped access. \$15,000 was in the Control Area Budget for

this remodeling. Obermier reported the Water Committee recommends to the Budget Committee that no remodeling be done to the new office building during FY 83 and that no money be budgeted for that purpose. Obermier stated the Water Committee is forwarding the remainder of the proposed budget to the Budget Committee for their review and consideration.

AGREEMENT TO SHARE LEGAL EXPENSES & COURT COSTS FOR RUNOFF VIOLATIONS

Obermier reported the committee discussed how the legal expenses and court costs for runoff violations should be shared with the Blue River Association of GWCDs if a runoff violation should go to court. The committee indicated they felt a 50-50 split would be fair. An agreement will not be signed unless the need arises.

GROUNDWATER USE COMMENDATION RESOLUTION

Obermier made the motion (Motion #3) to adopt the following commendation resolution and that copies of this resolution be distributed to all area newspapers and the district's newsletter as a matter of publicizing this resolution.

WHEREAS, the rate of decline of the groundwater table in the area of the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District has been one-half foot per year over the past 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the amount of land developed for groundwater irrigation has increased dramatically in the past 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the total demand for all types of groundwater usage has been ever increasing; and

WHEREAS, the groundwater user has been forced by economic conditions to make maximum usage of the area's groundwater resources;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District commends the groundwater users of this area for wise and prudent usage of our valuable groundwater resources over the past three years in holding the average groundwater level decline to less than one half of the average decline over the past 30 years.

Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser,  
Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr,  
Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held June 7, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 - FINAL APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #4) to grant final approval to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,736.37. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #5) to grant tentative approval to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed., in the amount of \$4,950.82. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

L.B. 450 PROGRAM - FY83

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #6) that the list of practices to be cost-shared by the Nebraska Water Conservation Fund remain the same as last year and include (1) terrace systems, (2) terrace outlets, (3) water impoundment dams, (4) Grade stabilization structures and (5) irrigation reuse pits. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion

carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### NRD LAND TREATMENT PROGRAM - REUSE PITS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #7) that a program for rebuilding reuse pits be implemented in FY 83. Reuse pits will be eligible at any time SCS determines that the need for rebuilding exists. The cost-share rate shall be 50 percent of county average cost until such time as the pit life exceeds design life. The first year of the program shall be budgeted as a special project in the amount of \$10,000. Seconded by White. Considerable discussion followed. Regier amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #8) that the sentences "Reuse pits will be eligible at any time SCS determines that the need for rebuilding exists. The cost-share rate shall be 50 percent of county average cost until such time as the pit life exceeds design life." be deleted. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Ronne, White

Question called on original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Peters, Regier, Schlueter, White, Moore  
NAY: Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer

#### SMITH CREEK DAM EASEMENTS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #9) that the district staff proceed with obtaining easements, including public access for recreation, on the Smith Creek Dam based on revised design upstream of the county road Site. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### SMITH CREEK FINAL DESIGN

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #10) that the district staff proceed with final design of Smith Creek Dam if easements are obtained. During final design staff is authorized to obtain soils engineering services of Western Laboratories (HWS) not to exceed \$7,000. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Done

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 PROJECT SUSPENSION

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #11) that the School Creek Site #3 project be suspended because of unfavorable rate of return. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### PROJECT PLANNING

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #12) that all projects with potential land rights costs be evaluated by a person knowledgeable in market value and severance damages. This is to be conducted during preliminary design. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### DORCHESTER WATERSHED CHANNEL #3 IMPROVEMENTS - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #13) that W.A. Biba Engineering Company be paid \$10,393.98 as progress payment for work completed through May 31, 1982 on the Dorchester Watershed



Channel #3 Improvement Project. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Andersen gave a report on the Education Committee meeting held June 8, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CONSERVATION AWARDS FARM SELECTIONS FOR 1982

Andersen reported that the Butler County and Fillmore County award. farms have been chosen. The selections for 1982 are now complete.

#### NATIONAL MINIMUM TILLAGE CONTEST

Andersen reported the National Corn Growers Association is sponsoring a new "No-Till" classification for the 1982 corn yield contest. The Association is emphasizing that "corn farmers must take the lead in developing new production techniques under reduced tillage conditions". Andersen said the committee feels this concept is a good idea, but due to the unusual spring in Nebraska this contest should be promoted next year as it. is too late for involvement this planting season.

#### PROPOSED OPEN HOUSE FOR NRD OFFICE BUILDING

Andersen reported this idea was discussed at length and the committee decided this could have merit. The open house would hopefully help citizens become more aware of our work and responsibilities and also would serve notice that we have changed our office location. The committee has tentatively selected the dates September 9, 10, and 11, 1982, during the fall Yorkfest.

#### NARD DIRECTORS' SEMINAR

The NARD will be holding seminars for newly elected directors on November 29, 1982 in Lincoln and November 30, 1982 in North Platte. These seminars will provide an excellent opportunity for directors to become better informed. The committee felt funding from our NRD should be kept minimal if our directors participate.

#### FY 83 BUDGET REVIEW

Andersen reported the FY 83 Education Department budget was reviewed by the committee and forwarded to the Budget committee for their consideration and review.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held June 10, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SALINE COUNTY SOIL SURVEY

Regier made the motion (Motion #14) that Amendment No. 6 to the Master Cooperative Agreement between Saline County, Lower Big Blue NRD, Upper Big Blue NRD, University of Nebraska, and the Soil Conservation Service be approved for the continuation of the Saline County Soil Survey and to agree to pay \$790 during FY 83 for that survey. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### FY 83 NARD DUES

Regier made the motion (Motion #15) that payment of the FY 83 NARD dues in the amount of \$6,800 be made after the end of FY 82. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Volkmer

#### BUDGETS

Regier reported both the General Administration and the office budgets were reviewed by the Committee. The committee directed that costs be obtained from a local contractor on remodeling the new building, -such remodeling to include removing the wall in the boardroom and building a front stairway. Those costs estimates should be budgeted. The

budgets were forwarded to the Budget Committee with minor changes.

#### VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Regier reported the committee asked the staff to solicit bids for the maintenance of our vehicle fleet. The bids should be for an hourly rate and a parts discount for the maintenance !,of the fleet.

#### BOARD AND CONFERENCE ROOM FURNITURE

Regier reported the committee tried out several styles of chairs for the board and conference room. It was recommended that the district set up a permanent board room. Initially it is 'felt that the district should use folding tables for a board table, but that comfortable chairs should be purchased as soon as possible. Staff suggested the district purchase 20 board room chairs and 12 conference room chairs at the same time as the price per chair is best when large quantities are bought. Regier made the motion (Motion #16) that the General Manager be authorized to purchase 20 board room chairs and 12 conference room chairs for a price not to exceed \$8,300 including tax and freight. Seconded by Peters. Considerable discussion followed on the various prices and styles of chairs. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Anderson

#### ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW - COST OF LIVING INCREASE

Regier reported that even though the consumer price index has risen 6.5% from May of 1981 through May of 1982, the manager recommended to the committee that no cost of living change for FY 83 be granted because of (1) the current economic conditions, (2) the inflation rate is less than the previous year's rate of 10% and (3) the district is faced with a major office building expense. Regier made the motion (Motion #17) that no cost of living increase be granted for FY 83. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW - MERIT INCREASES

Regier made the motion (motion #18) that the salary changes for merit be approved as presented; such changes to be come effective July 1, 1982. (List attached to file copy). Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: Volkmer

#### OFFICE BUILDING FINANCING

Turnbull reported that the Chairman, Treasurer, District Attorney, Bond Counsel, and representatives from the two banks in York met to discuss financing the new office building. Turnbull reviewed the terms offered by the 1st National Bank of York and the York State Bank. Considerable discussion followed on borrowing the money for the office building versus paying cash from present investments. Obermier made the motion (Motion #19) to pay cash for the new administrative office building from current investments in the sinking fund set aside for School Creek Site V. Seconded by Volkmer. The legality of expending sinking fund money for a general fund expenditure was discussed. Possible cash flow problems were also considered. Ratliff amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #20) to add the phrase "after proper legal accounting information is received" to the original motion and further add the sentence "If this procedure is not found in proper accounting order the money will be borrowed under the proposed financing terms with the 1st National Bank of York and York State Bank." Seconded by Anderson. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Peters

Question called on original motion as amended. Motion failed.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer', White  
NAY: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr,

Moore

Ronne made the motion (motion #21) that the district agree to the following terms offered by the 1st National Bank of York and the York State Bank for financing the district office: (1) \$210,000 note split equally between the two banks, (2) Ten year monthly amortized note, (3) closing date July 16, 1982, (4) Interest only due August 1, 1982, (5) Interest and principal amortized over 120 months starting September 1, 1982, (6) No pre-payment privilege during the first five years without approval of lenders, (7) 12% per annum interest rate and (8) District pays any expenses in connection with the loan but not closing fees. Seconded by Regier. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Andersen, Ehlers, Obermier, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Volkmer gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee meeting held June 14, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

Volkmer reported the committee elected himself as Chairman and Max Ronne as Vice Chairman of the committee.

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT (Cont'd) JUNE WILDLIFE PAYMENTS

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #22) that the NRD accept the new cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program, as submitted and reviewed, for a total of 176.3 acres and annual payments of \$3,080.25. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Obermier

#### JUNE WILDLIFE PAYMENTS

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #23) to make annual payments to the list of cooperators, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$11,346.80. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Moore

ABSENT: Obermier

#### TREE PAYMENT

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #24) to make payment of \$10,708.16 to the Nebraska State Forester for the trees purchased through the Clarke McNary program. This amount is for 54,800 trees. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

#### McCOOL PARK

Volkmer reported the McCool Park Project was discussed and the committee felt that the staff should talk with the landowners involved to see how much they are willing to lease their land to the district for, on a long term lease agreement.

#### FY 83 BUDGET

Volkmer reported the committee reviewed the FY 83 Parks department budget and forwarded it to the Budget Committee for their review and consideration.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of May 31, 1982. White made

the motion (Motion #25) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of May 31, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer,  
White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 a.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
May 20, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. in the 4-H Building, York County Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Dave Clabaugh, Water Dept. Asst.
Raymond Burke, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	Les Hoins, Saline Co. SCS
Wayne Hansen, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co. SCS
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Ron Bishop, Central Platte NRD
Norman Obermier, Director	Gerhardt Blum, York, Nebraska
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Reece Bishop, York, Nebraska
Max Ronne, Director	Gary Meradith, York, Nebraska
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Clarence Hoffman, York, Nebraska
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Don Robson, York, Nebraska
Morris White, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
John Turnbull, General Manager	Pam Hege, Seward Co. Independent

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published May 10, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent with Andersen and Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the April 22, 1982 regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Hegeholz

SCS REPORT

Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore Co. SCS, and Bill Gilliam, D.C., York Co. SCS reported on recent activities in their counties.

TWIN VALLEY AND PRAIRIE BEND DIVERSION PROJECTS

Ron Bishop, Manager, Central Platte NRD gave a presentation on their proposed Twin Valley and Prairie Bend diversion projects. The pre-feasibility studies have been completed on the projects. Copies of the studies are on file for inspection at the Upper Big Blue NRD district office.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held May 4, 1982 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

OSCEOLA FIELD OFFICE BUILDING

Regier reported that the remodeling of the SCS office in Osceola is complete and the SCS has moved back in. The total cost of remodeling the field office was \$9,337.15; the estimate was \$9,708.80. Regier made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the following payments: Gary's Plumbing & Heating - \$2,681.90, Hofbauer Electric - \$843.60, Daly Interiors - \$1,264.84, and Builders Supply of Osceola - \$4,546.81. Seconded by Burke.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### H.R. 6187

Regier reported that Congressman Bereuter has introduced a groundwater recharge bill, H.R. 6187. There is a possibility that preliminary testimony will be received on June 8, 1982. Regier made the motion (Motion #3) that a letter be drafted to Congressman Bereuter supporting H.R. 6187 before June 8, 1982. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee meetings held May 4, 1982 and May 17, 1982, and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

#### NRD OFFICE BUILDING

Hansen reported that at the first meeting this month the committee directed staff to check into four possibilities for an NRD office. Three of the four possibilities had representatives present at the second committee meeting to sell their concept to the committee. The following proposals were made: Scott-Hourigan Building, 12,900 square feet - \$337,600; Don Robson Building, 11,768 square feet - \$300,000; Geer-Melkus Proposal (tilt-up), 6,300 square feet - \$300,000 and Eugene Griffiths' Proposal (single floor plan), 5,950 square feet - \$299,000.

#### SCOTT-HOURIGAN BUILDING

Hansen made the motion (Motion #4) that the Scott--Hourigan Building be eliminated from further consideration as the NRD office facility. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### GEER-MELKUS & GRIFFITHS BUILDING PROPOSALS

Hansen made the motion (motion #5) that the Geer-Melkus and Eugene Griffiths proposals be eliminated from further consideration as the NRD office facility. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### ROBSON BUILDING

Hansen made the motion (Motion #6) that the District enter into a real estate contract with Don L. Robson for the purchase of Lots 4 and 5 (including improvements), Block 96, original town of York, York, Nebraska, for district administrative offices; that such contract be assignable by the district to the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Building Corporation (after its official incorporation); further, the purchase price approved is \$300,000, \$25,000 of which is authorized as escrow on the contract, and that the closing date for said contract is July 20, 1982. Seconded by Hegeholz. Gary Meradith and Clarence Hoffman, both of York, questioned the need for a building of that size and price. Other comments from the public and directors were discussed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier., Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Moore

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE

Hansen made the motion (Motion #7) that the Building Committee be disbanded effective August 1, 1982. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Andersen gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held May 6, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### HUMAN RELATIONS SKILLS SEMINAR

Andersen reported that a presentation was made by Dr. Elmer Miller, Director of Statewide Programs, Division of Continuing Studies, UN-L. The proposal was requested by several NRD directors and centers on improving your communication and leadership skills. Group dynamics, leadership and participation techniques could be focal points for a package workshop. A formal written proposal was distributed to the directors for their review.

#### OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

Andersen made the motion (Motion #8) that St. Joseph's School of "Cork be granted \$400.00 for an outdoor classroom. The funds are to be expended within 24 months. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### SCSA INFORMATION BOOKLETS

Andersen made the motion (Motion #9) that the NRD purchase 1,000 booklets "Water: A Basis for Life", from the Soil Conservation Society of America at a total cost of \$197.00. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT (Cont'd) 1982 NACD NORTHERN PLAINS REGIONAL MEETING Andersen reported that the 1982 NACD Northern Plains Regional Meeting will be held June 20-22, 1982, at Rapid City, South Dakota. Andersen made the motion (Motion #10) that Ray Ratliff serve as delegate from this NRD and be granted full meeting and travel expense. Seconded by Ronne. Ehlers amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #11) that Roy Stuhr also serve as a delegate to the meeting. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE

REPORT Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held May 10, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FINAL APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #12) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the seven (7) NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$10,351.17. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hansen, Obermier, Ronne

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FINAL APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #13) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the three (3) L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,558.81. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, Ronne

PROJECT PLANNING

Ehlers reported that the Projects Committee is recommending that all projects with potential land rights costs be evaluated by a person knowledgeable in market value and severance damages. This evaluation is to be done during preliminary design. Considerable discussion followed. It was felt by the board that this should be considered further in committee and brought back to the full board next month for action.

HENDERSON RECORDER WELL

Turnbull reported that on April 16 and 17, 1982, Henderson Irrigation drilled the new Henderson Recorder Well. The drilling was supervised by Jerry Svoboda of the UN-L Conservation and Survey Division. The estimated cost of drilling and casing this well was \$1,400.00. Henderson Irrigation has submitted a bill of \$1,340.00. Volkmer made the motion (Motion #14) that payment of \$1,340.00 be made to Henderson Irrigation for drilling and casing the new Henderson Recorder Well. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of April 30, 1982. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #15) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of April 30, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Moore reported that the election materials have been distributed for those directors up for re-election this fall.

Turnbull reported that the staff met with the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission on April 28, 1982 concerning funding for the School Creek Site #3 Project. Due to higher land rights costs than expected the project had a negative rate of return. Based on this negative return the Commission informed the district that no further expenditures of State funds would be allowed until we can show a favorable economic analysis.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Lowell Peters, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 8, 1982

A Special Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. in the North Dining Room of the City Auditorium, 612 Nebraska Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	N.C. McDuffee, York, NE
Ardean Andersen, Director	Joe Radcliff, York, NE
Raymond Burke, Director	Hervey Jensen, Jensen Lumber, York, NE
Bob Ehlers, Director	Bob Kinning, Hawk & Kinning, York, NE
Wayne Hansen, Director	John Martin, Martin Electric, York, NE
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Carl Buller, Henderson Irrigation Co.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Steve Buller, Henderson Irrigation Co.
Norman Obermier, Director	William A. Warner, Lincoln, NE
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Claude Walkup, York, NE
Max Ronne, Director	Ed Quick, York, NE
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Eugene Griffiths, Hastings, NE
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Lori Potter, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published March 29, 1982, and an "Amended Notice of Public Meeting" published April 3, 1982 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent.

BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Turnbull and Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee Meeting held April 7, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FINANCING OF BUILDING

Turnbull reported on a series of meetings he has had with the local banks and the Municipal and Government Board Division of the 1st National Bank of Lincoln. He also has had discussions with Steve Seglin, an attorney, and Richard Pederson, a Bond Counsel from Omaha. The consensus of those conferred with is that a nonprofit corporation, formed to build and own the building, finance it with bonds, with a lease back to the District, is the best method of financing the building and protecting the interests of all involved. Turnbull presented a Resolution to the board that would authorize the formation of such non-profit corporation.

Bill Warner of the Municipal and Government Board Division of the 1st National Bank of Lincoln briefed the Board on the bond process and the function of the non-profit corporation. The various bonding fees were discussed in detail.

Hansen made the motion (Motion #1) that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of constructing a new administrative office;

WHEREAS, a tract of land has previously been purchased as a site for such office, and

WHEREAS, the District has out for bids a contract for the construction of such office; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to take the necessary action to provide for the financing and construction of such office; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to provide for the financing of such office by forming a

non-profit corporation which will issue bonds, the proceeds of which will be used to purchase the land from the District, construct such which will be used to purchase the land from the District, construct such offices and pay for other necessary expenses in connection with the financing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (1) That the District hereby assigns its interest in the low bid and all of its rights in the construction contract documents to a non-profit corporation which will be formed for the purpose of issuing bonds and owning the land and office building.
- (2) That the Manager is hereby authorized to contact the low bidder for the purpose of obtaining from him his consent of the assignment to the non-profit corporation and to further obtain from him his extension of time to accept the bid and his consent that the non-profit corporation can accept the bid subject to satisfactory financing be made available.
- (3) That the District hereby employs Richard Pederson of the Baird 'Law Firm of Omaha, Nebraska, as its bond counsel in connection with the formation of the non-profit corporation and the issuance and placement of the bonds at interest not to exceed 12 percent (12%), and hereby authorizes that he be paid a fee in the approximate amount of one percent (1%) of the amount of the bond issue, if needed.
- (4) That the District hereby designates the First National Bank of Lincoln as its underwriter for the placement of the bonds and hereby authorizes that a fee be paid to them up to three percent (3%) of the bond issue if such Bank places the bonds.
- (5) That the Manager of the District is hereby authorized to negotiate the placement of such bonds with local financial institutions if possible and if not possible to work with the First National Bank of Lincoln to place such bonds.
- (6) That the Manager of the District, its Chairman and regular legal counsel are hereby authorized to do all things necessary to facilitate and accomplish the tasks authorized in this resolution to the end and that the construction and financing of such administrative office is accomplished.

Seconded by Ronne. Discussion followed.

Kaiser amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #2) to delete paragraph (2) of the Resolution. Seconded by Ratliff.

Ehlers made the motion (motion #3) to table the motion as amended until further discussion is held on the building plans and contracts later in the meeting. Seconded by Volkmer.

Stuhr rose to a point of order questioning the procedure of tabling an amendment. Ehlers withdrew his motion.

Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter

NAY: Hansen, Stuhr, Moore

ABSTAIN: Volkmer, White

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #3) to table the amended motion until further discussion is held on the building plans and contracts later in the meeting. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

NAY: Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore

Question called on the original motion of accepting the resolution as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Obermier, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, White

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Hansen made the motion (Motion #4) that the plans and specifications be accepted as designed by Eugene Griffiths, architect, contingent on financing. Seconded by Stuhr. Considerable discussion followed on the wells, additional architect's fees, design modifications, etc.

The board recessed at 12:30 for lunch and reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

Volkmer amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #5) to reject all bids and architect's plans and send the matter back to the Building Committee for a less expensive building. Seconded by Ronne.

Stuhr rose to a point of order concerning the amendment being in direct opposite view of the original motion. Chairman Moore ruled that the amendment was out of order and should be considered as a separate motion.

Question called on the original motion. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Regier, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White  
ABSENT: Schlueter

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #6) to send the building matter back to the Building Committee For a less expensive building. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne,  
Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Regier, Stuhr, Moore  
ABSENT: Schlueter

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #7) to go into Executive Session at 2:02 p.m. to consider negotiations on another building proposal. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Schlueter

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #8) to return to regular session at 3:01 p.m. Seconded by Regier. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #9) that the Building and Executive Committees be instructed to investigate a metal building, pre-cast, on-site concrete building, a single floor frame building to be built on the existing site, and other viable alternatives, and to report back to the Board as soon as possible. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Schlueter

Hansen made the motion (Motion #10) to authorize the Executive Committee to select members to serve on the non-profit corporation board. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Peters, Volkmer, White  
ABSENT: Schlueter

Meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 22, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. in the North Dining Room of the City Auditorium, 612 Nebraska Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Mgr.
Wayne Hansen, Director	Steve Seglin, Attorney, Lincoln
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Richard Pederson, Baird-Holm Law Offices
Roger Kaiser, Director	William Gilliam, D.C., York County SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Wayne Vanek, Acting D.C., Hamilton County SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mel Kuska, Fairmont
Max Ronne, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Dale Orlog, KAWL Radio, York

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published April 12, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent, with Andersen and Hegeholz arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ronne made the motion (Motion 41) to approve the minutes of the March 18, 1982 regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Burke, Hegeholz

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the minutes of the April 8, 1982 special board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Regier, Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Burke, Hegeholz

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee meeting held April 20, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

Richard Pederson, Bond Counsel of the Baird-Holm Law Firm, Omaha, reviewed and discussed the Articles of Incorporation with the directors. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) to adopt the following Resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District, in the State of Nebraska as follows:

(1) That the Board of Directors hereby approves the formation of a not for profit corporation under the laws of the State of Nebraska; said Corporation shall be organized for the purpose of acquiring an administrative office building

or other buildings and equipment and leasing the same to this District; said not for profit corporation shall be called Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Building Corporation and the following persons are hereby approved as its initial directors: Jim McLean, Melvin Kuska, and Maurice Kremer;

(2) That the form of Articles of Incorporation for said Corporation as presented to this meeting and attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "A" be and it is hereby approved."

Seconded by Stuhr. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Obermier, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, White  
ABSENT: Burke

#### SITE CAST TILT UP CONCRETE WALL CONCEPT

Hansen reported that two representatives of Geer-Melkus Construction Company, Inc. of Grand Island were present at the Building Committee meeting to discuss tilt up construction techniques, their design capabilities and their hope of providing a comparable building for less cost. They provide design, construction and interior decorating as a complete package. Hansen made the motion (Motion #4) that Geer-Melkus Construction Company be authorized to contact Eugene Griffiths/Company and to return as soon as possible to the Building Committee with recommendations on the building plans. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer

#### ROBSON INSURANCE BUILDING

Hansen reported that Don L. Robson has made an offer to the district to sell his office facility at 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska. The Committee toured that office building during the meeting. Hansen made the motion (Motion #5) that the board go into Executive Session at 8:14 p.m. for the purpose of discussing negotiations on the Don Robson Insurance Building. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Schlueter, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Burke

Obermier made the motion (Motion #6) to go back into regular session at 8:44 p.m. seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz.. Kaiser, Obermier '  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

Ronne made the motion (Motion #7) that the Manager make Don Robson a counter offer on his building and that Mr. Robson notify the District by May 1, 1982 of his acceptance or denial of such offer. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion failed for lack of majority.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, White  
NAY: Anderson, Obermier, Regier, Schlueter, Volkmer, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, Hegeholz, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Burke

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #8) that the new NRD office building project is not to exceed \$300,000.00 total cost, (not including furniture) over and above expenditures approved to date (April 22, 1982). Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Anderson, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Ronne  
ABSENT: Burke

#### ARCHITECT'S FEES

Hansen made the motion (Motion #9) to approve payment of \$18,947.69 to the Eugene Griffiths/Co. for services rendered through April 13, 1982, providing the NRD owns the plans and specs; such payment constitutes all money due and owing through the building contract bidding stage of the building project. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: White  
ABSENT: Burke

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #10) that Leonard Schlueter be appointed to serve on the Building Committee. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Schlueter  
ABSENT: Burke

#### SCS REPORT

Wayne Vanek, Acting D.C., Hamilton County SCS gave the SCS report. The quarterly report was distributed and reviewed.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held April 12, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3

Ehlers reported that the Projects Committee directed the staff to contact the Clay County Board to determine their position on the roads and bridges involved in the School Creek Site 43 Project. The County Board does not feel that closing the two roads involved in the project is a viable alternative. Ehlers made the motion

(Motion #11) to suspend the School Creek Site #3 Project because of low benefit to cost ratio, pending public comment. Seconded by Kaiser.

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #12) to go into Executive Session at 9:50 p.m. to discuss the School Creek Site #3 appraisals. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #13) to go into regular session at 10:25p.m. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke

Question called on Motion #11. Motion failed.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, White

NAY: Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Moore

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Burke

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) that Lowell Ehlers proceed with the review of the appraisals for School Creek Site #3. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Regier, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Ratliff

ABSENT: Burke

#### CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #15) to approve payment of \$9,059.40 on the Central Butler Water Management Project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Burke

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held April 13, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### MUNICIPAL WATER USE FOLLOW UP

Obermier reported that the 21 towns that did not report water use previously were contacted by letter. Out of the 21 seven responded in some fashion. The Committee directed the staff to contact the remaining 14 towns by phone to find out why the water use data was not available and if several of the towns even had municipal water supplies.

#### VIVIAN E. ANDERSON - LATE PERMIT

Obermier reported that Vivian E. Anderson had a well drilled by Levi Friesen on May 28, 1980. The pump was installed by Wall Irrigation. The well driller apparently thought that this was to be a replacement well, but Mrs. Anderson wants to keep the old well. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson live in Lincoln and their land is farmed by Ron Baker of Stromsburg. They have paid their late permit fee. Obermier made the motion (Motion #16) that the late permit of Vivian E. Anderson be approved. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier-, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke

#### TRANSFER REGULATION

Obermier made the motion (Motion #17) that the following regulation regarding transfer of



groundwater be adopted:

RULE 3

(1) After June 11 1982 no groundwater user shall drill a new well or develop a new water supply or irrigation system using an existing well for the purpose of transferring groundwater to any lands which are not adjoining, by a common boundary or corner, to the land where the well is located.

(2) Any groundwater user who has transferred groundwater to land which is not adjoining the land where the well is located, as described in Rule 3, Subsection (1), in the past shall not expand his existing system in such a way that would increase his irrigated acreage or groundwater use after June 1, 1982.

(3) All transfer of groundwater described in Rule 3, Subsection (2) shall be subject to all other provisions of the Control Area Rules and Regulations.

(4) Any land irrigated in violation of Section (1) or (2) of this rule shall not be certified for allocation of water.

(5) Any groundwater transfers authorized under the provisions of the City, Village, and Municipal Corporations Groundwater Permit Act shall be exempt from Rule 3, Subsections (1) and (2).

(6) Nothing contained in this rule shall exempt any person from any provision of the applicable laws of the State of Nebraska regarding groundwater transfers.

Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee Meetings held March 30, April 8, and April 20, 1982 and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

1ST QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Regier made the motion (Motion #18) that payment of \$3,150.00 for the first quarter per them and \$2,791.67 for expenses be made to the directors. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, white, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

NARD LEGAL DEFENSE FUND

Regier made the motion (Motion #19).to approve payment of \$253.00 to the Nebraska Association of Resources District's Legal Defense Fund for the Supreme Court appeal on the Rawhide Case. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

1982 NARD DUES

Regier reported that the district has been billed for the balance of the current year's NARD dues. The total dues for FY 82 was \$6,350,.00. \$4,190.38 was paid July 21, 1981 and \$283.00 was paid December 22, 1982, leaving a balance of \$1,876.62. From that balance the NARD gave a credit of \$700.00 for the 208 program. The total amount remaining due is \$1,176.62. Regier made the motion (Motion #20) to pay the balance of \$1,176.62 to the NARD for the FY 1982 dues. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

FILLMORE COUNTY SOIL SURVEY

Regier made the motion (Motion #21) to approve and sign Amendment #5 of -the Master Cooperative Agreement between the Conservation and Survey Division, University of Nebraska, the Upper Big Blue NRD, Little Blue NRD, Fillmore County and the Soil Conservation Service; such amendment obligates the Upper Big Blue NRD to a \$4,000.00 expenditure in FY 83. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

SCHOOL CREEK SITE #3 FINAL APPRAISERS BILL

Regier made the motion (Motion #22) to make payment of \$4,650.00 to Trampe Appraisal Company for final payment for School Creek Site #3 appraisals and submit same to the Resources Development Fund for repayment. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT

Regier made the motion (Motion #23) that payment of \$1,000.00 be made to York Equipment, Inc. for purchase and installation of the side-mounted PTO on the new International tree planting tractor. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: Hansen  
ABSENT: Burke

CONSERVATION & SURVEY DIVISION PAYMENT

Regier made the motion (Motion #24) that final payment of \$10,611.00 be authorized after July 1, 1982 for the screening model completion. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of March 31, 1982. Regier made the motion (Motion #25) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of March 31, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
March 18, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 11:13 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Lowell Peters, Secretary	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Raymond Burke, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Craig Pope, Little Blue NRD
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Bob Hilske, Little Blue NRD
Roger Kaiser, Director	Wayne Vanek, Action D.C., Hamilton County SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Bob Foster, A.C., Area V SCS, Grand Island
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mike Rabbe, D.C., Fillmore County SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Ronda Portis, D.C., Fillmore County SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mark Nannen, Mgr., Blue River Assn. of GWCDs

John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published March 8, 1982, in the York News Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the February 18, 1982, regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Regier

SCS REPORT

Mike Rabbe, D.C., reported that Jerry Willhoft, D.C., Butler County SCS, has been appointed the Liaison D.C. Rabbe also briefly discussed a possible reorganization of SCS personnel for the future. Rhoda Portis, Polk County SCS D.C. reported that the contractor bids for the remodeling of the Osceola field office are complete. The SCS office plans to move into their temporary quarters at the hotel on March 26th. The remodeling project should be complete in 30 days. The Polk SCS office will be hosting County Government Day at Osceola with students from four high schools visiting their office.

BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee held February 25, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FINANCING

Hansen reported that staff has contacted the First National Bank of Lincoln about bonds, and the First National Bank of York about a 15 year mortgage. No solutions have yet been found.

REVIEW OF FINAL DESIGN

Hansen reported that Eugene Griffiths and Al Kam, architects, reviewed the final building drawings with the committee. Several small adjustments were made in the design.

INTERIOR DECORATING

Hansen reported that a separate contract for interior decorating will be let for the NRD building. The architect showed the committee samples of the carpets, drapes and wall coverings.

#### MAIN CONTRACT BID OPENING

The bid opening has been rescheduled for March 31, 1982. To date 22 general contractors, 9 mechanical contractors and 11 electrical contractors have picked up plans. A special board meeting has been scheduled for April 8, **1982**, to award contract.

#### ARCHITECT'S PAYMENT

Hansen made the motion (Motion #2) to approve payment of \$8,046.01 to Eugene Griffiths Company for architectural services from February 10, 1982 through February 24, 1982. Seconded by Anderson. Discussion followed on the architect's total contract price. Ehlers moved to table the motion until next month. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Building Committee meeting held March 9, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1982 STATIC WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENT AGREEMENT

Obermier made the motion (Motion #3) that the District enter into an agreement with the Blue River Association to have the observation wells in Butler, Polk, Adams, and Saline Counties measured in the spring and fall of 1982 at a cost of \$7.00 per measurement. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

#### SHARING LEGAL COST OF RUNOFF VIOLATIONS

Obermier reported that the staff asked the committee's opinion on sharing legal cost should a runoff violation go to court. The committee directed staff to work out a draft agreement with the Blue River Association of GWCDs for their consideration in April.

#### 1981 BLUE RIVER ASSOCIATION SCHEDULING REPORT

Obermier reported that Mark Nannen, Manager of the Association, reviewed the 1981 scheduling report with the committee.

#### MUNICIPAL GROUNDWATER USE REPORT

The annual municipal groundwater use report was reviewed. Several cities and towns failed to report their water use to the district. Many of the smaller towns in the district do not meter their water so have no way of knowing how much they pumped. Staff was asked to try again to encourage the municipalities to report.

#### DEVELOPMENT SURVEY UPDATE

Obermier reported that 108 wells were drilled in 1981 in the Upper Big Blue NRD. The number of wells drilled was low in comparison of the past 10 years. of the 108 wells drilled, 59 (54%) responded to our request for information about the new irrigation system. Of those responding, 52 were new wells and 7 were replacement wells. The 59 wells reporting in the survey irrigated a total of approximately 7,230 acres. Of that total, 3,042 was previously irrigated by another well and 4,188 acres was new irrigation. 27% of the irrigation systems were gravity systems, 70% were center pivots, and 3% were other types.

The board of directors recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon.

Meeting reconvened at 1:12 p.m.

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Andersen gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held March 9, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1982 SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK

The week of May 16-23, 1982 has been designated Resources Stewardship Week by the National Association of Conservation Districts. Andersen made the motion (Motion #4) that the NRD participate in Soil Stewardship Week by providing inserts free of charge for church bulletins not to exceed \$200.00. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Stuhr

ABSENT: Burke

#### 1982 NACD GOODYEAR CONSERVATION AWARD & ALLIS CHALMERS CONSERVATION DISTRICT AWARD

Andersen made the motion (Motion #5) to participate in the 1982 Goodyear Conservation Award Program and the 1.982 NACD Allis Chalmers Conservation District Award. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

#### WATER PROJECT FLYERS

Andersen reported the staff proposed a basic flyer dealing with our Big Blue Irrigation Project. The last newsletter will serve as the backbone for this flyer with a brief description of our two partners; Tri-County and the Trust. Andersen made the motion (Motion #6) that York Printing make 5,000 flyers at a cost of \$463.42 (9.3c per unit) dealing with the Big Blue Irrigation Project. Seconded by Hegeholz. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke

#### NRD DIRECTORS AND STAFF "IN-SERVICE WORKSHOP"

Andersen reported the possibility of some type of workshop to help increase -individual "communications ability" was discussed. This could take the form of a half-day, daylong, or a series of workshops. The University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Division of Continuing Studies does provide service of this kind. The staff will pursue this idea further regarding fees and workshop content.

#### WATER PROJECT FILM DOCUMENTARY WITH TRI-COUNTY, HABITAT TRUST AND NRD

Andersen reported the film documentary idea was discussed at length. The purpose of the film is to tell our story with Tri-County and the Trust. The program would generally serve our public relations effort until a Platte River Diversion Permit is obtained. The Conserve Nebraska Foundation has submitted a quote for a 15 minute video tape. The quote and concept were discussed.

#### CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE MEMBERSHIPS

Andersen made the motion (motion #7) that the NRD join the York, Seward and Aurora Chambers of Commerce at a total cost of \$255.00. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Burke

#### PLATTE RIVER WILDLIFE TOUR

Andersen reported that the staff has arranged a tour to observe the spring waterfowl migration in the critical habitat area of the Platte River for March 24, 1982.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held March 11, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### TWIN VALLEY WATER RIGHT HEARING

Stuhr reported the Twin Valley hearing is scheduled for April 13, 1982. The data available on the Twin Valley filing for Platte River water was reviewed. Since the project will have an affect on the Big Blue Irrigation Project water rights, the committee feels it is imperative to participate in the hearing to protect our interests. Stuhr made the motion

(Motion #8) that the District request to be made a party to the Twin Valley Hearing scheduled for April 13, 1982. (In the Matter of Applications 15974, 15975, 15976, 15977, 15978, 15979, 15980, 15981 and 15983 for Permits to Store Water from Elm Creek; Application 15984 for a Permit to Divert Water from the Twin Valley Reservoirs; and Application 15985 for a Permit to Divert Water from the Platte River for Irrigation.) Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke

#### AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN - YORK, NEBRASKA

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #9) that the Upper Big Blue NRD has reviewed -the airport layout plan of the City dated May, 1981, and finds the plan is consistent with, compatible to and not in conflict with the District's goals, policies -and long range plans, except for replacement of shelterbelt trees, mitigation of wetland, should it be filled, and canal easement consideration for the NRD's Big Blue Irrigation Project. .Seconded by Regier. Discussion followed. Stuhr amended the motion to make -the motion (Motion #10) to replace the words "and canal easement consideration" with "a canal easement be given, if requested". Amendment carried. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called on the amendment.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Kaiser, Volkmer

Question called on original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Volkmer

#### DRAFT BILL ON ASSESSING MONETARY FEE OR CHARGE FOR GROUNDWATER RECHARGE

Stuhr reported that the committee reviewed a draft bill prepared by Dave Aiken for the Central Platte NRD concerning a water use fee for groundwater recharge. The committee feels the District should consider such a measure for a revenue mechanism for the Big Blue Irrigation Project, under the philosophy that any who receive project benefits should pay a portion of the costs. The staff has been instructed to continue to work with the Central Platte NRD and others on the groundwater recharge revenue proposal, not from a position of support or opposition, but rather in order -to follow the development of the proposal.

#### INDUCED RECHARGE

Stuhr reported the Central Platte NRD has also drafted a bill to allow for a water right for induced recharge, that is, city well fields in the Platte Valley using Platte River water. The committee directed the staff to follow the development of the induced recharge proposal.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held March 11, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SOIL SURVEYS

Regier made the motion (Motion #11) that the NRD make payment of \$7,000.00 for the Fillmore County Soil Survey and \$750.00 for the Saline County Soil Survey to the University of Nebraska Conservation and Survey Division. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

#### SURETY BOND

Regier made the motion (Motion #12) that payment of \$375.00 be made to Hylton-Finn Insurance, Inc. for the board's treasurer bond. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

EXPENSES & PER DIEM

Regier made the motion (Motion #13) that payment of \$188.88 for expenses and \$181.94 for per them be paid to Larry Moore for January 1, 1982 through March 9, 1982. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Moore

PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held March 17, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

DORCHESTER WATERSHED CHANNEL #3 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - AWARD CONTRACT

Ehlers made the motion (motion #14) to award contract for the Dorchester Watershed Channel #3 Improvement Project to W.A. Biba Engineering Company of Geneva, Nebraska, in the amount of \$28,079.48. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

ADDITION TO AGENDA

White made the motion (Motion #15) to add a Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting report to the meeting agenda. Seconded by Regier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

NEW WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACTS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #16) to accept the habitat contracts for oats and sweet clover in the amount of \$2,682.00 for a total of 42.7 acres. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne

Anderson made the motion (Motion #17) to not pay on wildlife habitat oats and sweet clover contracts involved in the ASCS Reduced Acreage Program. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Burke, Ronne, Moore  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of February 28, 1982. Anderson made the motion (Motion #18) to approve financial statement and budget report as of February 28, 1982, as presented, excluding payment to Eugene Griffiths Company; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
February 18, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Kenneth Regier, Vice-Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Morris White, Director
Lowell Peters, Secretary	John C. Turnbull, General Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Claude Walkup, York NE
Raymond Burke, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bob Ehlers, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Roger Kaiser, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Norman Obermier, Director	Mark Nannen, Mgr., Blue River Assn.
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Keith Niemann, York Co. Ext. Service
Max Ronne, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

Mike Rabbe, Acting Liaison D.C.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published February 8, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the January 21, 198 regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

SCS REPORT

Mike Rabbe, Acting Liaison D.C., reported that the Resource Inventory has been completed. A slide presentation on conservation tillage was shown.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held February 11, 1982, and reviewed the report as distributed.

PLATTE RIVER WATER RIGHTS

Stuhr reported that the District has been advised that three water rights hearings are to be held in the near future. (1) Twin Valley (to start in April, 1982), (2) Twin Platte, and (3) Upper Big Blue, et al. The possible strategies and the District's position on the Twin Valley and Twin Platte filings were discussed. No conclusion was reached on the Twin Valley filing.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION STUDY

Stuhr reported that the Nebraska, Natural Resources Commission's Conflict Study for the Platte River was discussed. The Natural Resources Commission staff has suggested, at the recent South Platte River Compact Meeting, that interested districts pay a portion of the initial \$135,000 needed for the conflict resolution process. Stuhr made the motion (motion #2) that the District cooperate in the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission's Platte River Conflict Resolution Study and further to pay a proportionate share of the costs with the other NRDs. Seconded by Burke. Considerable discussion followed on what the District's share would be. Ronne amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #3) that the



District's first payment should not exceed \$5,000.00. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

#### LEGISLATIVE BILL 850

Stuhr reported L.B. 850 adds several new categories of uses to the preference system for both surface and ground water. This would apply to water rights perfected after L.B. 850 becomes law. The new order of preference would be (1) domestic and municipal domestic, (2) agricultural purposes, (3) manufacturing purposes, (4) municipal nondomestic, and (5) high volume industrial. This bill also provides that a superior right must compensate an inferior right for the taking of its water. (a) domestic and domestic municipal are defined as water used for human need including health, fire. control, sanitation and domestic livestock, (b) agricultural is defined as irrigation, livestock watering and other farm or ranch operations which are not domestic, (c) manufacturing is defined as commercial, industrial or manufacturing uses consuming less than 3,000 acre feet per year, (d) municipal non-domestic uses are all uses supplied by a municipal distribution system which are not domestic and not high volume industrial, (e) high volume industrial uses are manufacturing, mining, processing, power plant cooling or other similar uses which consume more than 3,000 acre feet per year.

Stuhr reported that the Committee felt L.B. 850 is a good change, with one suggestion; change the definition of domestic and agricultural uses to read: (1) Domestic and municipal domestic use shall mean all uses required for human needs as related to health, fire control, and sanitation, and shall include the use of water for domestic livestock as related to human sustenance on the farm or ranch and (2) Agricultural use shall mean all irrigation, livestock watering, and other uses which support a farm or ranch activity conducted for profit.

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #4) that the district support L.B. 850 and suggest the additional definitions of domestic and agricultural preferences. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

#### LEGISLATIVE BILLS 915 AND 958

Stuhr reported that L.B. 915 is similar to L.B. 850, except it raises municipal commercial to equal preference with agricultural uses and sets three categories of municipal use, (1) domestic, (2) commercial, and (3) non-commercial. The definition of domestic use is the same as L.B. 850. Commercial use is defined as water used for profit, and non-commercial use is defined as water used not for profit, such as lawn watering and recreation.

L.B. 958 would allow the Director of Water Resources to hold a hearing and declare a control area without a request from the NRD under two conditions. (1) If' he has reason to believe that declines of one percent have occurred in three consecutive years, and (2) if he has reason to believe groundwater quality does not meet the standards of the Department of Environmental Control.

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #5) that the district oppose L.B. 915 and L.B. 958. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

LEGISLATIVE BILLS 608 and 955

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #6) that the District support L.B. 608 and oppose L.B. 955. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Regier gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held February 16, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #7) that the committee assignments for calendar year 1982 be approved as reviewed. (See attached list.) Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

HASTINGS FLOOD CONTROL STRUCTURE LEASES

Regier made the motion (Motion #8) that dryland farm leases for Lloyd Schroeder in the amount of \$2,500 (50 acres @ \$50/acre) and Glen Berg in the amount of \$4,650 (93 acres @ \$50/acre) be approved for March 1, 1982 to March 1, 1983. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

Regier reported that a joint committee meeting will be held on Friday, February 26, 1982, at 12:00 noon at the Chances "R" Restaurant to inform the various committees of the progress to date on the Big Blue Irrigation Project.

WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held February 17, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

GROUNDWATER TRANSFER REGULATION

Ronne reported that two directors and one staff member met with Steve Seglin to discuss the proposed change to the Control Area Rules and Regulations on groundwater transfers. Mr. Seglin suggested that the change read: "After June 1, 1982, no groundwater user shall transfer groundwater off of the overlying land unless authorized by law. Any land irrigated in violation of this rule shall not be certified for allocation of water." Ronne reported that this proposal eliminates the grandfather clause because it should only be used when making something previously legal illegal. In this case common law and case law of this state says that transfer of groundwater to non-overlying land is already illegal unless it is authorized by statute. This proposed regulation only reinforces existing law and allows for enforcement through the NRD. After considerable discussion Ronne made the motion (Motion #9) that the proposed alternative (by Seglin) also be considered at the March 18, 1982 hearing. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: Ehlers, Hegeholz, Obermier, Peters  
ABSENT: Andersen

JAMES MANION LATE PERMIT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #10) that James Manion's request for a late permit be approved. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held February 18, 1982, just prior to the regular board of directors meeting.

SCHOOL CREEK #3 LEGAL FEES

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #11) that the Board of Directors approve payment of \$2,826.00 to Luebs, Dowding, Beltzer, Leininger and Smith, for legal services on the School Creek Site #3 Project. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #12) that tentative approval be given to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,947.30. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #13) that tentative approval be given to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,363.02. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVALS - NRD FUNDS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #14) that final approval be given to the two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$543.49. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen

ARCHITECT PAYMENT - NRD BUILDING

Hanson made the motion (Motion #15) to approve payments of \$12,450.47 and \$9,635.23 for a total of \$22,085.70 to Eugene Griffiths Company for architectural services to date. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

NAY: Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Obermier, White

ABSENT: Andersen

MARCH HEARING AND MEETING DATE AND TIME

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #16) to hold the Hearing at 9:00 a.m. on March 18, 1982, and further that the regular board of directors meeting be held immediately following the hearing. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: Obermier

ABSENT: Andersen

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of January 31, 1982.

Anderson made the motion (Motion #17) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of January 31, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,

Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

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Lowell Peters, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
January 21, 1982

A regular Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. at the York County 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roger Kaiser, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Mgr.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager
Raymond Burke, Director	Joan Lovelace, Administrative Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Les Hoins, Saline Co. SCS
Wayne Hansen, Director	Kevin Hood, Saline Co. SCS
Gerald Hegeholz, Director	Gary Wooten, D.C., Saline Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Mike Rabbe, Acting Liaison D.C., Fillmore SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Ray Griffin, Aurora
Kenneth Regier, Director	Wayne Vanek, Acting D.C., Hamilton Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Rhoda Portis, D.C., Polk Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mark Nannen, Mgr., Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Rick Houchin, Seward Co. Independent
Morris White, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published January 14, 1982, in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the District office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 13 present 4 absent with Obermier, Regier, and Schlueter arriving later.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to suspend the By-Laws to accept nominations from the floor for each officer and to vote for each officer by written ballot if more than one person is nominated for the office. Seconded by Burke. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Chairman. Burke nominated Larry Moore for the office of Chairman. Seconded by Ronne. Their being no further nominations, Burke made the motion (motion #2) to close nominations for Chairman and cast an unanimous ballot for Larry Moore as Chairman. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Obermier, Peters, Regier, Schlueter

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman. Kaiser nominated Ken Regier. Ratliff nominated Bob Ehlers. Ehlers declined the nomination. White nominated Leonard Schlueter. Hansen nominated Roger Kaiser. Kaiser declined the nomination.

Their being no further nominations Burke made the motion (Motion #3) that nominations cease. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

Ballots were distributed to each director. Chairman Moore appointed Rod DeBuhr and Stan Staab to tally votes. After a count of ballots, the results were announced as: Regier - 12 votes, Schlueter -2 votes. Ken Regier is the new Vice-Chairman.

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Secretary. Burke nominated Lowell Peters. There being no further nominations, Anderson made the motion (Motion #4) to close nominations for Secretary and cast an unanimous ballot for Lowell Peters as Secretary. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Treasurer. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #5) to write candidates for the office of Treasurer on a ballot and to expend with the voice nominations. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried. Written nominations were: Roy Stuhr. Bob Ehlers, Leonard Schlueter and Max Ronne. Ronne declined the nomination. The directors cast ballots for the office of Treasurer with the results being; Stuhr - 10 votes, Ehlers -4 votes and Schlueter 2 votes. Roy Stuhr is the newly elected Treasurer.

#### MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #6) to approve the minutes of the December 17, 1981, regular Board of Directors Meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### NARD REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nominations for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Representative. Anderson nominated Raymond Burke. Hegeholz made the motion (motion #7) to close nominations for NARD Representative and cast an unanimous ballot for Raymond Burke. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Peters

#### NARD ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nominations for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Alternate Representative. Ehlers nominated Raymond Ratliff. Kaiser nominated Roy Stuhr. Burke made the motion (Motion #8) that nominations cease. Seconded by Hansen. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried. Ballots were cast and the results were: Ratliff - 10 votes, Stuhr - 6 votes. Raymond Ratliff is the alternate representative for the NARD.

#### SCS REPORT

Chairman Moore presented Ray Griffin with a plaque of appreciation for his past service and contributions to the District. Mike Rabbe, Acting Liaison D.C. reported that all of the SCS offices are conducting a resource inventory as 'enacted by Congress in 1977. Rabbe reported that the field work for the Hamilton County Soil Survey has been completed. The SCS offices have also been active with windbreak planning and certification of irrigated acres, both in the Upper Big Blue NRD and Little Blue NRD. The quarterly progress report was distributed.

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held January 7, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### BIG BLUE IRRIGATION PROJECT

Stuhr reported that the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee recommended the Executive Committee reassign the planning functions for the Big Blue Irrigation Project to the District's standing committees.

#### RESOLUTION ON THE O'NEILL UNIT

Stuhr reported that a resolution on the O'Neill Unit has been received from the Upper Elkhorn NRD. This resolution will be considered at the NARD Legislative Conference on February 1 and 2, 1982. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #9) to support the Upper Elkhorn NRD's resolution on the O'Neill Project. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier,

Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS - L.B. 375

Stuhr reported that the Committee directed the staff to send letters to the Senators stating these concerns about L.B. 375: (1) the qualified voter definition in the bill is poor. Management areas need to be considered by all legal voters, not just those voters owning 40 acres or more. (2) Criteria for allocation of groundwater needs to be left to individual NRD discretion, not mandated by the state. (3) Well spacing needs to be left to individual NRDs. 1,320 feet may not be restrictive enough to be effective. (4) Each NRD should, on its own motion, develop management plans. If management plans are mandated by the state, relief from the 7% lid for that program should be granted.

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS - L.B. 670

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #10) that the district support L.B. 670 but reduce the permit fee to \$17.50 and to have the Department of Water Resources charge \$7.50 for each new well registration. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS - WATER USER FEE BILL

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #11) that the District oppose the bill to charge all water users a fee for water resource development unless all rural property is taxed as dryland. Further, the bill does not define where the funds are to go. Seconded by Obermier. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS - L.B. 846

Anderson made the motion (Motion #11) that the district support Senator Sieck's efforts to set up state funds sufficient in amount to build water storage and irrigation projects. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held January 14, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 4TH QUARTER PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #12) that payments of \$1,875.00 for the 4th quarter per them and \$1,851.58 for expenses be made to the directors. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### NARD VOTING DELEGATES

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #13) that Larry Moore be appointed as the voting delegate and Roy Stuhr be appointed alternate delegate to the NARD Legislative Conference on February 1 and 2, 1982. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, white  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr, Moore  
ABSENT: Peters

#### BIG BLUE IRRIGATION PROJECT

Kaiser reported that the Executive Committee makes the following workload assignments for the Big Blue Irrigation Project effective immediately. Projects Committee - design and engineering, Parks Committee - land rights and recreation, Education Committee project public relations, Water Committee - water rights, and Budget & Planning Committee financial planning and legislative needs.

#### SERVICE CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

Kaiser reported that the committee, by request of some board members, considered the district paying the costs of having key employees belong to local service clubs. It was felt by the committee that it may be advantageous for the district to be represented in service clubs, to gain district exposure with others in the community. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #14) that the district pay service club costs for district employees, provided that the district does not pay for two employees in the same chapter. Further, that the district consider each request on a case by case basis. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Volkmer

ABSENT: Peters

#### NEBRASKA WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION

Kaiser reported that the Executive Committee met with Jack Odegaard to discuss NWRA membership. The district cancelled its membership in 1981. A long discussion was held on our reasons for dropping out, that is, NWRA's stand on groundwater management legislation. Kaiser reported that Odegaard explained that his group could help promote the Big Blue Irrigation Project statewide. The benefits of the district belonging were discussed, as opposed to individual members belonging without the district membership. The annual costs to the district is about \$600 which includes 3-5 directors. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #15) that the district join the Nebraska Water Resources Association as an organizational member. Seconded by Anderson. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ronne, Volkmer

ABSENT: Peters

#### TREE PLANTING TRACTOR

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #16) that the Executive Committee be authorized to replace the Ford tree planting tractor. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Education Committee Meeting held January 12, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NEBRASKA GRASSLANDS AWARD PROGRAM

Hansen reported that the district is asked to support this awards program and endorse a proposal by Governor Charles Thone establishing Range Conservation Month during June or July, 1982. The 2nd annual awards program is designed to recognize an outstanding grass and range manager in Nebraska. Hansen made the motion (Motion #17) to support the proclamation for Nebraska Range Conservation Month. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Volkmer, White

NAY: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Schlueter, Stuhr, Moore

ABSENT: Peters

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERSHIPS

Hansen made the motion (Motion #18) to consider each city or town's invitation to join



their Chamber of Commerce, or equivalent club, on a case by case basis. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

#### BIG BLUE IRRIGATION PROJECT - PUBLIC RELATIONS

Hansen reported that the committee was briefed on recent action taken on promoting this project. NRD staff has discussed the possibility of retaining the services of a professional firm to promote the project. A firm from Lincoln has been approached and samples of their work were shown to the Committee. Hansen reported the Education Committee generally favors this idea. The idea of a training session to help the staff and directors cope with the many aspects of this project was also discussed.

#### PARKS, FORESTRY & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Parks, Forestry & Wildlife Committee Meeting Yield January 12, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### JANUARY WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #19) to make annual payments of \$7,750.75 to the January Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program cooperators, as reviewed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, white, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

#### FEBRUARY WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #20) to make annual payments of \$4,892.75 to the February Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program cooperators as reviewed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

#### MARCH WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #21) to make annual payments of \$2,975.50 to the March Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program cooperators as reviewed. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

#### NEW WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #22) to accept new cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program, as reviewed, for a total of 385.5 acres and annual payments of \$6,467.50. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Andersen

ABSENT: Peters

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Building Committee Meeting held January 14, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ACCESS ROAD - CONSTRUCTION

Hansen made the motion (Motion #23) that payment of \$1,560.00 for the road construction of the NRD building site be made to Ray Burke Construction company. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff,

Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Peters

#### ACCESS ROAD - GRAVEL

Hansen reported that the Committee directed the staff to buy 20 yards of gravel and have it placed on the access road as soon as possible.

#### REVIEW OF PLANS

Hansen reported that the committee reviewed the plans for the building including the site plan. The architect should have the plans and specs completed by mid to late February for the committee's approval.

#### BUILDING FINANCING

Hansen stated that the Committee directed the staff to investigate the financing possibilities and to make recommendations to the Committee by the time the award of contract is considered.

#### ARCHITECT FEES

Hansen reported that the architect advised the district by letter to expect higher fees than originally negotiated due to the fact that the space to be designed has increased significantly since the architect's contract was signed. The additional fees may exceed the original amount by \$7,000 to \$8,000.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Hegeholz gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held January 14, 1982, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #24) that final approval be given to the four NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,780.72. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #25) that tentative approval be given to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$3,500.00. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Hegeholz made the motion (Motion #26) that tentative approval be given to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount \$2,983.98. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report as of December 31, 1981. Burke made the motion (Motion #27) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of December 31, 1981, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held January 12, 1982, and. reviewed the committee report as distributed.

TRANSFER OF GROUNDWATER TO NON-OVERLYING LANDS

Ronne reported that the transfer of groundwater to non-overlying lands was discussed in length. Several possibilities were considered. Ronnie made the motion (Motion #28) that the following rule to the control area rules and regulations be proposed. at a public hearing: "After \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_, no groundwater user shall transfer ground water to any lands under his ownership or operation which are not adjoining to the land where the well is located. Any groundwater user who can show that he has legally transferred groundwater prior to \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_, cannot expand the existing system, but may continue such transfer subject to all other provisions of these regulations. Any transfer of groundwater authorized under the provisions of the City, Village and Municipal Corporations Groundwater Permit Act shall be exempt from this rule." Seconded

by Burke. Considerable discussion followed. Kaiser amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #29) that the sentence "Further, that this proposed rule to the control area rules and regulations be reviewed by an attorney to be added to the original motion. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

- AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore
- NAY: None
- ABSTAIN: Volkmer
- ABSENT: Peters

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

- AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore
- NAY: None
- ABSTAIN: Volkmer
- ABSENT: Peters

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #30) to hold a public hearing on March 18, 1982, just prior to the regular board of directors meeting, to consider changes in the control area rules and regulations to implement the restriction of groundwater transfers to non-overlying lands. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

- AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Hegeholz, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Moore
- NAY: None
- ABSTAIN: Volkmer
- ABSENT: Peters

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

A written report by Rod DeBuhr was distributed on the GMDA Conference held in Lubbock, Texas on December 2, 3, and 4, 1981. Oral reports were also given by Morris White, Merlin Volkmer and Bruce Anderson.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

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Ken Regier, Vice-Chairman

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
December 15, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Joan Peters, Administrative Sec.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr
Bob Ehlers, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Larry Moore, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Dan Hemsworth, Clay SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr.
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore SCS
Roy Stuhr, Director	John Ortmann, York News Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published December 6, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district's office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 13 present, 4 absent, with Stuhr, Andersen and Moore arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the November 17, 1983 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Hansen

ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Kaiser, Moore, Stuhr, White, Burke

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held December 5, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #2) to give final approval to the ten NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$16,678.62. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, Stuhr, White

LAND TREATMENT - SOIL CONSERVATION FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #3) to give final approval to the four Soil Conservation funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,403.91. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, Stuhr, White

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Ehlers reported that the committee agreed that the amendment to the contract as approved by the District's Board of Directors was not substantially altered by the attorney's

review and that the staff should submit the amendment to the project steering committee for consideration.

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #4) that the board of directors approve payment of \$40,281.17 for the first progress payment on Component #3 (Storm Sewer Construction Contract) of the Central Butler Project. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

STRUCTURE 22-9-4 (SIEBERT DAM) - PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #5) that the board of directors approve payment of \$10,255.07, \$1,025.51 of which is to be held as retainage, to R. C. & N. Construction Company for work completed thru December 1, 1983. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

STRUCTURE 35-11-6W - APPLIED EARTH SCIENCES COMPANY BILLING

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #6) that payment of \$697.50 be made to the Applied Earth Sciences Company for the water quality report for Structure 35-11-6W. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held December 6, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

ATTORNEY'S FEES

Hansen made the motion (Motion #7) to approve payment of \$710.07 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through November 20, 1983. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

NACD CONVENTION

Chairman Regier asked for names of individuals who would be interested in attending the NACD Convention February 59, 1984 in Denver, Colorado. Schlueter, Volkmer, Ehlers, and Stuhr requested that they be considered. Turnbull will contact the board members not present at the meeting and will then determine who will attend.

COMPUTER SOFTWARE

Hansen reported that computer programs are needed for the Projects Department for project planning and design. The district does not have a correct version of the TR20 flood routing program that will operate on the district's computer. One can be written by the staff but the time involved is extensive. Hansen made the motion (Motion #8) to approve the purchase of the TR-20 flood routing program at a cost of \$600.00 and the TR-20 Updates at a cost of \$150.00 for a total of \$750.00. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen  
ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

#### EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education & Parks Committee Meeting held December 12, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FAIRMONT PARK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #9) that the NRD extend the agreement between the district and the Village of Fairmont until June of 1984 on the Fairmont Park. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

#### FAIRMONT WAYSIDE AREA

Ronne made the motion (Motion #10) that the NRD not get involved in managing the wayside area at Fairmont. Seconded by Volkmer. Discussion followed. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #11) to table the motion. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called on the motion to table. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schlueter, Regier

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

#### LESLIE ASSOCIATES BILLING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that the district pay Leslie Associates the agreed agency fee of \$2,400 for the month of November, 1983, plus \$116.14 for expenses for a total of \$2,516.14. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, White

#### LESLIE ASSOCIATES SURVEY FOR THE LANDMARK PROJECT

Stan Staab reviewed the results of a recently completed telephone survey by Leslie Associates on the public awareness of the Landmark Water Project. A copy of the Public Opinion Audit is attached to the file copy.

#### NATIONAL CONSERVATION TILLAGE INFORMATION CENTER

Jerry Willhoft, NRD-SCS Liaison, briefly reviewed the status of the NACD Tillage Information Center. This is an information exchange and our district would participate on a voluntary basis. No costs would be incurred by the District. Ronne made the motion (Motion #13) that this NRD participate in the National Conservation Tillage Information Center. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, White

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for November, 1983. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #14) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of November 30, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, White

#### ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Obermier presented a resolution to seek and support legislation making it illegal to use insecticides, herbicides and fertilizer through irrigation systems. Considerable discussion followed. The resolution will be sent to the Budget, Planning & Legislative

Committee for consideration.

LATE WELL PERMIT

DeBuhr reported that on December 12, 1983, Jones Farms of Seward, Nebraska applied for a late well permit. This well was originally intended to be a replacement well for a pivot. However, the well capacity was not sufficient so Mr. Jones would like to use both wells. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #15) that the late permit for Jones Farms be approved. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, White

SCS PERSONNEL CHANGES

Jerry Willhoft reported that there will be several changes in SCS Personnel in December and January. Dan Hemswoth has been working in Clay Center and will be moving to Ainsworth. Kent Norquist has been working in Aurora and will be moving to Osceola. Joe Vavricka has been working in Geneva and 'Will be moving to Franklin. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #16) to send a letter signed by the Board Chairman to each SCS Conservationist leaving the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District thanking them for their effort and cooperation. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, White

NEBRASKA WATER INDEPENDENCE CONGRESS

Moore reported the Natural Resources Commission's position on the final report submitted by the Nebraska Water Independence Congress. Moore stated that no formal action was taken on the Commission's position due to minor changes in the draft.

NARD SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Stuhr asked the board for any specific guidance on voting at the NARD Special Board Meeting December 19, 1983. It was the consensus of the board that Stuhr use his best judgement on voting based on the policies of this NRD and the general feelings of the board in the past.

Meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Norman Obermier

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
November 17, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:09 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	John Turnbull, General Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Bob Ehlers, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr
Roger Kaiser, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Larry Moore, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr
Lowell Peters, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Max Ronne, Director	Representative, KAWL Radio
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Roy Stuhr, Director

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published November 7, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district's office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent.

MINUTES

Anderson made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the October 20, 1983 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee Meeting held November 7, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LESLIE ASSOCIATES BILLING FOR OCTOBER, 1983

Ronne made the motion (Motion #2) that the NRD pay Leslie Associates the agreed upon agency fee of \$2,400 for the month of October. The NRD has paid \$10,224.72 to date. This also includes incurred expenses. The total contract is for \$14,500 which terminates November 30, 1983. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier

NAY: Volkmer

ABSTAIN: White

ABSENT: Hansen

1983 WINTER DIRECTORS TOUR

Ronne reported that the committee chose Tuesday, December 6th for the annual tour of projects and programs of the NRD. This year participants will again travel to the western portion of the district and then swing back to the south with the newly completed Smith Creek Dam as the last stop. A full day of information is planned with emphasis on the Landmark Project sites.

NARD VIDEO EDITING EQUIPMENT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #3) that the district offer a bid of \$2,500 for the entire NARD video equipment package. Further, York and Fillmore County Extension Offices will have first choice to share in this purchase and a chance at any surplus items. Seconded by



Volkmer. Considerable discussion followed. Kaiser amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #4) that the staff be authorized to bid a maximum of \$3,750 on the video equipment. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

NOVEMBER WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #5) to make payment of \$6,926.00 to the cooperators in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program for November. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

KRVN RADIO CONTEST - NEBRASKA TREE PLANTING

Ronne reported that KRVN plans to hold a contest dealing with tree planting promotion. Trees will be given as prizes to the winners and several NRDs in the KRVN listening area are being asked to consider the actual planting and supervision of windbreak or shelterbelt design. Our NRD would be responsible only for the actual planting costs and labor. This will occur only if there are winners within our NRD. Actual tree numbers will be less than 1,000. Ronne made the motion (Motion #6) that the NRD participate in KRVN's tree promotion as presented. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

SMITH CREEK ACCESS ROAD & PARKING AREA

Ronne made the motion (Motion #7) to make payment of \$5,083.39 to Larry Barth Construction for the completion of the access road and parking area at the Smith Creek Recreation Area. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ratliff  
ABSENT: Hansen

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meetings held November 7, 1983 and November 17, 1983 and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

STRUCTURE 35-11-6W - APPLIED EARTH SCIENCES COMPANY BILLING

White made the motion (Motion #8) to rescind the motion of the November 7, 1983 committee meeting and that the board of directors authorize payment to AESCO in the amount of 2,199.30 for the Environmental Assessment and \$1,669.00 for the water quality testing completed to date on Structure 35-11-6W. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

STRUCTURE 35-11-6W - WESTERN LABORATORIES BILLING

White made the motion (Motion #9) that the board of directors

authorize payment to Western Laboratories in the amount of \$9,492.42 for geotechnical investigations completed to date on Structure 35-11-6W. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

STRUCTURE 35-11-6W - UN-L DEPARTMENT OF ARCHEOLOGY

White made the motion (Motion #10) to authorize payment to the UN-L Department of Archeology in the amount of \$599.00 for the cultural resources survey completed to date on Structure 35-11-6W. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Hansen

STRUCTURE 28-10-1E - ENGINEERING REVIEW OF CULVERT RECOMMENDATION

White made the motion (Motion #11) to authorize payment to Hoskins-Western-Sonderegger in the amount of \$878.00 for the review of the embankment stability and culvert/bridge hydraulic recommendations completed to date on Structure 28-101E. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

STRUCTURE 22-9-4 -PROGRESS PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #12) to authorize payment to R.C. & N. Construction Company in the amount of \$3,246.60, \$324.66 to be held as retainage, for construction work completed through October 31, 1983 on Structure 22-9-4. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

STRUCTURE 22-9-4 - WESTERN LABORATORIES BILLING

White made the motion (Motion #13) to authorize payment to Western Laboratories in the amount of \$2,509.07 for geotechnical investigations completed to date on Structure 22-9-4. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

STRUCTURE 35-11-6W - NNRC-NRDF APPLICATION

White made the motion (Motion #14) to rescind the motion of the November 7, 1983 committee meeting and that the proposed resolution, requesting a 75% grant for Project 35-11-6W be adopted by the board of directors. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #15) that the board grant tentative approval for the three NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,716.48. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #16) to give final approval to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$258.70. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Hansen

LAND TREATMENT - SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION FUND - FINAL APPROVAL White made the motion (Motion #17) to give final approval to the one Soil & Water Conservation funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,036.51. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ronne  
ABSENT: Hansen

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - CONTRACT AGREEMENT

White made the motion (Motion #18) to rescind the motion of the November 7, 1983 committee meeting and that the Upper Big Blue NRD approve, and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign Amendment 1, Contract 21, Natural Resources Development Fund, pertaining to component 4 of the Central Butler Project, PROVIDED:

The City of David City, Butler County and the Lower Platte North Natural Resources District approve amending the Master Agreement of the Central Butler Water Management Project, dated March 5, 1980 as follows:

The Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District shall pay 25%, or \$157,107.15, whichever is least, of local costs incurred after September 12, 1983 for the Central Butler Water Management Project, provided that the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District shall not be required to pay more than a grand total of \$131,759.02, in any event, of the total project costs (including any litigation costs arising as a result of the project), from December 16, 1975 through completion of the project.

In the event any components or part thereof, as shown in plans and specifications on September 12, 1983, are not constructed, 25% of the local estimated remaining costs shall be deducted from the \$131,759.02 listed above thereby creating a lower maximum the Upper Big Blue NRD will pay towards the project.

In addition, the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign this Master Agreement Amendment, including reasonable changes redistributing the remaining costs among the other three sponsors. Seconded by Ronne. Considerable discussion followed. Ratliff amended to motion to make the motion (Motion #19) to have Steve Seglin

review the Amendment to the Master Agreement of the Central Butler Water Management Project dated November 17, 1983 and to bring his comments back to the committee if they differ. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Dickinson, Ehlers  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Hansen

Question called on the original motion as amended.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held November 9, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### STATE WATER POLICY AND AGENCY

Kaiser reported that Moore led the committee's discussion on the water independence congress thoughts of a state water policy board reorganization. The latest information coming out of the water independence congress about reorganization was reviewed, including the following main points: (1) Need for advocacy role for the Governor and making him accountable for all major water projects, (2) Water congress members expressing opposition to additional financial support for major water projects through natural resources commission given its present makeup, (3) Concerns expressed by some members of the water group of making an independent water agency, (4) Directions given for drafting position: (a) No change in NRC structure, (b) NRC director appointed by Governor, (c) NRC to be responsible for present activities only, and serve in advisory capacity only on major water projects. Moore made the motion (Motion #20) that the district has supported, does support, and will continue to support the Natural Resources Commission structure in its current concept. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### PLATTE RIVER MANAGEMENT STUDY

Turnbull reviewed a report he received from Mike Jess concerning the Narrows Project in Colorado. The report is a proposal from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service which was written to solve the jeopardy opinion. That opinion is a result of a court case in Colorado that has stopped the Narrows Project on the environmental grounds of failure to adequately protect the whooping crane habitat on the Platte River in Nebraska. Turnbull expressed his concern about certain implications and statements in the report. The principle concern is the quote "Identify discrete reaches within the 53-mile designated critical habitat reach and the additional 36 miles downstream which have potential. for meeting crane roosting habitat characteristics and needs." Kaiser made the motion (Motion #21) that this district does not see any reasonable need for extending the Platte River critical crane habitat as it is now designed. The district feels additional state or federal activity in this area are unnecessary. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held November 10, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NARD VOTING DELEGATE

Burke made the motion (Motion #22) to appoint Roy Stuhr as the NARD voting delegate and Ray Burke as the alternate for calendar year 1984. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #23) to approve payment of \$4,303.68 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work thru October 20, 1983. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Dickinson, Ehlers

ABSTAIN: Ratliff

ABSENT: Hansen

#### SUPREME COURT BRIEF PRINTING COSTS

Burke made the motion (Motion #24) to approve payment of \$548.34 to Cockle Printing Company of Omaha for the printing of briefs for the Hladky State Supreme Court case. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### NACD CONVENTION

Burke made the motion (Motion #25) to approve the district sending four directors and two staff members to the 1984 NACD Convention in Deliver, Colorado. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### SINKING FUND

Burke reported that the district has used two methods of putting money in the Sinking Fund. The primary one over the years has been to transfer money from the General Fund to the Sinking Fund. The other, used only four out of the last twelve years, has been to levy a tax exclusively for the Sinking Fund. The latest levy was four years ago in FY 81. There is a bookkeeping expense for the counties that should be dispensed with. Burke made the motion (Motion #26) that the following resolution be approved: WHEREAS, the District's last levy of a property tax for the District's Sinking Fund was in FY 81, and WHEREAS, the District's Sinking Fund accounts are creating unnecessary bookkeeping and expense for the counties, NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District authorizes the county treasurers of Adams, Butler, Clay, Fillmore, Hamilton, Polk, Saline, Seward and York counties to transfer the current balance and future delinquent tax collections to the District's General Fund accounts on December 1, 1983, and further to close the District's Sinking Fund account. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### NARD WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP

Burke made the motion (Motion #27) to send two directors and one staff to Washington, D.C. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

Anderson made the motion (Motion #28) that Ken Regier, Lowell Peters and John Turnbull be the representatives on the Washington, D.C. trip. Seconded by Ratliff. Since the district's policy has been to send one director that has make the trip in the previous year and one director that has not Anderson withdrew his motion. (Both Regier & Peters have attended in previous years) Ehlers made the motion (Motion #29) that Ken Regier, Doug Dickinson and John Turnbull be the representatives on the Washington, D.C. trip. Seconded by Anderson. Question called.

Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson  
ABSENT: Hansen

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held November 15, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### REQUEST FOR FLOW METER APPROVAL

Ratliff reported that Dick Huth of Water Specialties met with the Water Committee and

explained the new flow meter his company has developed. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #30) that the Water Specialties Meter, Models ML-45 through ML-50 be approved for sale in the Upper Big Blue NRD Control Area. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Hansen, Moore

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for October, 1983. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #31) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of October 31, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Moore

#### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #32) to give the employees December 23, 1983 off in addition to the normal observance of Christmas on December 26th, with pay. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Moore

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
October 20, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Roy Stuhr, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Wayne M. Hansen, Treasurer	Morris White, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	John Turnbull, General Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Stan Staab, Pub Info Dept Mgr
Roger Kaiser, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Mgr.
Larry Moore, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Lowell Peters, Director	Lori Potter, York News-Times
Raymond Ratliff, Director	J.K. Sanchez, KAWL Radio
Max Ronne, Director	Wayne Heine, Waco
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Jerry Valentine, Waco

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published October 11, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district's office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the September 22, 1983 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held October 11, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

SMITH CREEK PROJECT - COUNTY CULVERT DOWNSTREAM

White made the motion (Motion #2) that the staff have Hoskins-Western-Sonderegger verify culvert size recommended by the District Engineer, to maintain original design condition. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

STRUCTURE 35-11-6 RECHARGE STUDY

White made the motion (Motion #3) that a recharge study be included as part of the project 35-11-6 and that a 75% grant be requested from the Development Fund. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - NRD TENTATIVE APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #4) to approve an extension of cost-share in the amount of \$864.00 for Sterling Schelkopf. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Whiter, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FINAL APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #5) that final approval be given to the 8 NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$11,812.16. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 TENTATIVE APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #6) that tentative approval be given to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,308.12. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FINAL APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #7) that final approval be given to the five L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$15,925.53. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held October 11, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LESLIE ASSOCIATES - SEPTEMBER BILLING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #8) that Leslie Associated be paid \$2,447.51 for services performed in September, 1983, on the Landmark Project. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Ehlers, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Obermier, White

1983 AREA LAND JUDGING CONTEST

The SCS and NRD hosted the Land Judging Contest in Hamilton County. Ronne made the motion (Motion #9) that the NRD purchase the ribbons, at a cost of \$25.00 and pay for the backhoe to dig the judging pits. Seconded by Dickinson. Staab informed the board that the contractor that dug the judging pits donated his time and machine. Ronne and Dickinson withdrew the motion since the total bill was below the limit requiring formal board action.

TREES FOR ENERGY PROGRAM

Ronne reported that plans submitted by the Bradshaw and Seward Public Schools for the Trees for Energy Program were forwarded to the Governor's Council for their review.

OCTOBER WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #10) that the NRD make payments of \$2,021.25 to the cooperators in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program for October. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

TREE PROGRAM FOR FY 1984

Ronne made the motion (Motion #11) to charge 28~ each for trees, \$.21 each for planting trees, and 6~ each for the spraying of trees during the FY 1984 tree program. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,



Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

SEEDING, MULCHING & FENCING AT SIEBERT DAM

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that the district award the seeding, mulching & fencing contract to Raymond Spader in the amount of \$4,606.50 for the Siebert Dam. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held October 13, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

FY 84-88 LONG

RANGE PLAN Turnbull reviewed the Long Range Plan with the board.

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #13) to approve the Long Range Plan for FY 84-88 as presented. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: Ehlers  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held October 13, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #14) to approve the directors 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Per Diem of \$2,460.00 and expenses of \$1,930.27. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to approve payment of \$1,762.50 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through September 20, 1983. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Moore, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne

NARD MEETING - NOVEMBER 14-15

The NARD will hold its fall meeting at the Camelot Inn in York on November 14-15, 1983. This district is the host. The night meal will be at the Chances "R" and Sunstrand Aviation will be toured in the afternoon of the 14th.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for September, 1983. White made the motion (Motion #16) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of September 30, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
September 22, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Roy Stuhr, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Bruce Anderson, Director	Morris White, Director
Douglas Dickinson, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Nancy Schneider, Asst. Sec.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Lowell Peters, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr.
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager.
Max Ronne, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
John Hammond, KAWL Radio	William Gilliam, York Co. SCS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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Roll call was taken of the members present. 14 present, 3 absent.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the August 23, 1983 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser,  
Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

Ronne made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the minutes of the FY 84 Budget Hearing held August 23, 1983. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Dickinson, Ehlers

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held September 8, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WATER USE POLICY FROM DISTRICT

CONTROLLED RESERVOIRS Ratliff made the motion (Motion #3) to adopt the water use policy as presented with a use fee of \$5.00 per acre foot. Seconded by Anderson. Question called.

Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Dickinson, Peters, Ronne, Volkmer, White

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

REQUEST FOR WATER METER SPECIFICATION CHANGE

Ratliff reported that Badger Water Meter Company has spoken to the staff concerning getting approval to sell their meter in this area. The Badger Meter is a turbine rather than a propeller type meter and therefore does not meet the district's specifications. The staff will look into the matter further.

CROP WATER USE REPORT

Ratliff reported the 1983 Crop Water Use Report was presented. Total crop water use for corn for the period of June 12th to September 2<sup>nd</sup> was 15.02 inches.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held September 8, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WATER RESOURCE CONSULTANT - BIG BLUE IRRIGATION PROJECT

Schlueter reported the Endangered Species Act Consultation on the Major Water Projects are taking much longer than expected. The Twin Valley Project consultation probably will not be completed until December. The Enders Project consultation is not expected to be finished before March of 1984. Our project, therefore, will not be in the consultation process for a biological opinion until the last quarter of FY 84. The hearing before the Department of Water Resources will not start until we have the biological opinion from the Game and Parks Commission. Schlueter reported the committee directed the staff to seek proposals from engineering consulting firms for a hydrologist. The proposals, when received, will be presented to the committee and board for action.

NARD FUNDING TASK FORCE REPORT

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #4) to support the NARD Study of Resources Development Financing for Nebraska. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION RE-COMMENDATIONS ON FUNDING WATER PROJECTS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #5) to support the Natural Resources Commission's water project funding recommendations as this district understands them. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

FY 83 DISTRICT AUDIT

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #6) to accept the FY 83 audit as presented. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held September 12, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

SMITH CREEK - OUTLET CHANNEL CULVERT

White reported that Delmar Borchers, Seward County Board, and Tim Hegeholz, Seward County Highway Superintendent, were present at the committee meeting to explain the position of Seward County relative to potential damage to the Smith Creek Dam and properties downstream from the dam due to the improper size of the culvert used as bridge replacement. The County representatives said they are aware that the culvert is too small, however, they were in no position to assume any liability for damages at this time. White made the motion (Motion #7) that the Board of Directors authorize the staff to prepare an engineering analysis of the condition which exists at Smith Creek complete with recommended corrective measures and to have an independent engineer review and verify the findings, and that the verified documents be transmitted as the Natural Resources District's opinion to the Seward County Board. Further, a statement should be sent from the Natural Resources District to the Seward County Board disclaiming any responsibility for future claims of damage to property or loss of life which might occur due to current culvert capacity and its effects. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

STRUCTURE 22-9-4 (SIEBERT) - SELECT CONTRACTOR

White made the motion (Motion #8) that based on one bid received from R. C. & N. Construction of Superior, Nebraska, in the amount of \$29,670.58, that the district enter into a contract with R. C. & N. Construction for construction of Structure 22-9-4. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #9) that the board grant tentative approval to the 6 NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$8,179.77. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL

APPROVALS White made the motion (Motion#10) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the 8 NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$14,529.51. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #11) that the board of directors grant final approval to the 6 L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$20,563.48. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

STOCKHAM RESERVOIR - ACTIVATE PROJECT

White made the motion (Motion #12) that the Board of Directors approve active project status for one-half of the reservoir project at the Stockham site. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held September 15, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LESLIE ASSOCIATES BILLING - LANDMARK PROJECT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #13) that the Leslie Associates public education counsel fee of \$2,771.86 be paid for the month of August, 1983. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

SEPTEMBER WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #14) to make payment of \$2,833.50 to the cooperators in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### WELL DRILLING - SMITH CREEK

Ronne made the motion (motion #15) to award the well drilling contract to Ron & Jerry's Plumbing, Heating & Well Drilling of York, in the amount of \$1,816.75, for the drilling of a domestic well at the Smith Creek Recreation Area. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Kaiser, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### SEEDING & MULCHING OF THE SMITH CREEK RECREATION AREA

Ronne made the motion (Motion #16) to award the contract to Hill Sand & Gravel of Polk, Nebraska, in the amount of \$6,319.00, to do the seeding, mulching and the remainder of the fencing at the Smith Creek Recreation Area. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: Stuhr  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### ACCESS ROAD CONSTRUCTION - SMITH CREEK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #17) that the only bid submitted, by G.L.C., Inc. in the amount of \$23,532.86 be rejected by the Upper Big Blue NRD for the Smith Creek Recreation Area access road construction. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

Ronne made the motion (Motion #18) to accept the negotiated offer of \$10,259.72 made by Larry Barth Construction of Utica, Nebraska for construction of the access road and parking area at the Smith Creek Recreation Area. Seconded by Dickinson. Discussion followed. Kaiser amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #19) to set a limit of \$5,000 to be expended on the construction of the access road and parking area at the Smith Creek Recreation Area. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Dickinson, Ronne  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held September 15, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### VEHICLE BID

Obermier made the motion (Motion #20) to accept the low bid from Rediger Chevrolet of Milford, Nebraska in the amount of \$11,005.90, which includes trade in allowance for the

currently owned 1978 Chevrolet ½ ton pickup and 1969 Chevrolet Suburban, for a 1984 Chevrolet 4wheel drive Suburban. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Obermier made the motion (Motion #21) to approve payment of \$822.35 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through August 20, 1983. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: Ehlers, Kaiser, Ratliff

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### NARD WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP

Obermier made the motion (Motion #22) to approve sending two directors and one staff member on the March 25-30, 1984 NARD Washington, D.C. lobbying trip. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, White

NAY: Schlueter

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### FLAG SALES

Obermier made the motion (Motion #23) to sell survey flags for cost plus 20% effective immediately. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White

NAY: Ehlers, Volkmer

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for August, 1983. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #24) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of August 31, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### COMPUTER PAYMENT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #25) to approve payment of \$19,812.00 to Maken Computer Services for the purchase of the computers. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: White

ABSENT: Burke, Moore, Regier

#### NARD CONFERENCE REPORTS

Reports were given by those that attended the NARD Conference in Kearney.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

jp:

Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
August 23, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:33 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	John Turnbull, General Manager
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Joan Peters, Admin. Sec.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Mgr
Bruce Anderson, Director	Frank J. Hejna, Jr. Eng. Tech.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Stan Staab, P.I. Dept. Mgr
Larry Moore, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Mgr
Lowell Peters, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Jeff Ball, Engineering Tech.
Max Ronne, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Rhoda Portis, Polk Co. SCS
Roy Stuhr, Director	Larry A. Hansen, Utica
John Ortmann, York News-Times	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published August 13, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district's office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 2 absent.

MINUTES

Obermier made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the July 21, 1983 board of directors meeting as corrected by recording Obermier as a Nay vote on motion #24 and adding the rate quotes for the medical insurance from Security Mutual Life in motion #17. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held August 23, 1983.

FY 84 BUDGET

Hansen made the motion (Motion #2) to adopt the FY 84 budget as presented at the budget hearing. Seconded by Moore. White amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #3) to increase the land treatment line item in the General Fund budget from \$100,500 to \$130,500 with this additional \$30,000 to be taken from the cash reserve line item in the General Fund budget. Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed.

Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Anderson, Ratliff, White  
NAY: Andersen, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier, Obermier  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

ATTORNEY'S FEES - LANDMARK PROJECT

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #4) to hire the law firm of Crosbv, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester as stated in the board motion #30 on July 21, 1983, except that the district agrees to pay the firm \$45,000 for the fixed fee portion, subject to the termination and billing clauses, and further agrees to pay the firm an additional \$10,000 if a State Supreme Court appeal is necessary. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held August 9, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

DRY RUN WATERSHED IRRIGATION RUNOFF PROBLEM

Ratliff reported that Ernest Blum of rural Waco met with the committee concerning irrigation runoff coming through his property. The NRD staff and Blue River Association Manager looked the situation over and the York County GWCD runoff inspector spoke to some of the irrigators in the area about the runoff. The NRD staff was directed to contact the irrigators in the area and encourage them to control their runoff and explain that cost-sharing is available for control measures.

POLICY ON IRRIGATION FROM DISTRICT CONTROLLED RESERVOIRS

Ratliff reported the committee reviewed the district's policy on irrigation from the reservoir the district controls. The staff is going to collect additional data on what other districts are charging for the use of water and the method they use for doing so.

GMDA DUES

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #5) to pay the GMDA annual dues of \$100. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

FIVE YEAR AWARDS

Turnbull presented Frank Heine and Jeff Ball with plaques for five years of service to the Upper Big Blue NRD.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held August 15, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

PLUM CREEK WATERSHED

White reported that a discussion was held with residents of Seward who are concerned about flooding along Plum Creek near and within the City of Seward. Several possible courses of action to reduce flood damages were discussed. The representatives from Seward asked that the 14RD act as lead agency to develop and carry out a plan of action. The representatives were asked to get formal requests in the form of motions from the City Council, Chamber of Commerce, and County Board before action is to be taken by the NRD.

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #6) to give tentative approval to the 14 NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$30,195.66. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #7) to give final approval to the 8 NRD funded cost share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$9,013.36. Seconded by Anderson.



Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #8) to give tentative approval to the 2 L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,671.30. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #9) to give final approval to the 3 L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$11,180.86. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

SMITH CREEK PROGRESS PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #10) that Mid-Western Contracting Company be paid \$45,881.93 for work completed in July and \$22,228.86 for retainage previously withheld on the Smith Creek Project for a total of \$68,110.79. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

STRUCTURE 22-9-4 (SIEBERT) EASEMENTS

White made the motion (Motion #11) that the three easements and one agreement with landowners and York County on Structure 22--9-4 be accepted. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee Meeting held August 23, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM BILLING - LANDMARK PROJECT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) to approve payment of \$2,604.03 to Leslie Public Relations, Inc. for work completed in July, 1983 on the Landmark Project. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: Obermier, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for July, 1983. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #13) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of July 31, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

## REPORTS

Stuhr gave a report on the NACD Regional Convention and the tour participants gave reports on the State irrigation Tour.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held August 9, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT CENTRAL BUTLER

Burke reported that the Lower Platte North NRD has requested payment of \$10,000 from each sponsor for expenses associated with the Central Butler Project. The Steering Committee approved bills on July 21, 1983 amounting to \$32,403.22. The balance in the Central Butler Account is invested for the sponsors with both the principal and interest available for future bills. Burke made the motion (Motion #14) to approve payment of \$10,000 to the Lower Platte North NRD for the Central Butler Project. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

## SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING

Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to hold the September Board of Directors meeting on September 22, 1983 at 8:00 p.m. instead of September 15, 1983. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

## PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #16) to approve Roger Kaiser's second quarter per them of \$75.00 and expenses of \$17.25. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

Burke made the motion (Motion #17) to go into executive session at 11:00 p.m. to discuss the Hladky case. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

Burke made the motion (Motion #18) to go back into regular session at 11:35 P.m. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT

Moore made the motion (Motion #19) to instruct this district's Central Butler Steering Committee members to inform the Central Butler Steering Committee to dismiss the Hladky case Supreme Court appeal. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

Moore made the motion (motion #20) to instruct this district's Central Butler Steering

Committee members to request the Central Butler Steering Committee to make one more attempt to settle the Hladky case out of court and to have a report back to the board by September 22, 1983. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser

ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

ATTORNEY FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #21) to approve payment of \$430.10 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work thru July 20, 1983. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Dickinson, Ehlers

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 a.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
July 21, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Roy Stuhr, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Morris White, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Joan Peters, Administrative Sec.
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Larry Moore, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Lowell Peters, Director	Stan Staab, Pub. Info. Dept. Mgr.
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Max Ronne, Director	J. Sanchez, KAWL Radio

John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published July 11, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda. is kept on file for public inspection at the district's office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent with Andersen, Anderson, Moore, and Volkmer arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the June 23, 1983 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Anderson, Kaiser, Moore, Volkmer

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held July 11, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

STRUCTURE 22-9-4W (SIEBERT) DECISION TO PROCEED

White made the motion (Motion #2) that the board authorize staff to proceed with design and construction of Structure 22-9-4. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Kaiser, Moore

ULYSSES PROJECT - HIGHWAY SPUR PROJECT

White made the motion (Motion #3) that the district send a letter to the Nebraska Department of Roads stating support for the Project BRS-15-2 (109) Ulysses Spur, including a channel change to protect Ulysses. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Moore

ABSENT: Andersen, Kaiser

HAMILTON COUNTY/MONROE TOWNSHIP DRAINAGE PROJECT

White made the motion (Motion #4) that the board authorize district staff to conduct preliminary engineering adequate for landowners to decide on formulation of a special

improvement project area in accordance with district policy. Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed. Peters amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #5) to strike the words "in accordance with district policy" and insert "if petitioned by the landowners". Seconded by Schlueter. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Burke

ABSENT: Kaiser

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

ABSENT: Kaiser

#### STRUCTURES 35-11-6 and 22-9-4

White made the motion (Motion #6) that the board authorize an agreement with Hoskins-Western-Sonderegger soils engineers to provide foundation and embankment design recommendations on proposed structures 35-11-6 and 22-9-4 for an itemized fee of \$10,560.00 with a not to exceed. limit of \$12,672.00. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

#### STRUCTURE 35-11-6 ARCHEOLOGICAL/HISTORICAL REVIEW

White made the motion (motion #7) to authorize an agreement with the University of Nebraska Department of Anthropology, Division of Archeology to provide a cultural resources review of the proposed structure 35-11-6 for a fee of \$599.00. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

#### SMITH CREEK PROGRESS PAYMENT

White made the motion (motion #8) to make payment of \$20,599.20, \$2,055.92 to be held as retainage, to Mid-Western Contracting Company for work completed in June, 1983 on structure 28-10-1 (Smith Creek Project). Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #9) that final approval be given to the five NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$10,882.19. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #10) that tentative approval be given to the twenty-six NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$34,870.14. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #11) that tentative approval be given to the twelve L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$29,164.68. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

STRUCTURE 10-8-3W (BRISTOL) SUSPENSION

White made the motion (Motion #12) that the board suspend structure 10-8-3W from the active projects list and that no further work be done on this project until authorized by the Board. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

SPECIAL PROJECT - DRY RUN CREEK

White made the motion (Motion #13) that the board of directors authorize the district staff to do up to \$20,000 of preliminary design engineering work for a special project on Dry Run Creek with consideration for a dam to control approximately 3,600 acres of the 6,000 acre drainage area and necessary channel improvement works below the dam. The recommended work is contingent upon the York County Board agreeing to pay half of the cost. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held July 14, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

CAMP JEFFERSON OUTDOOR EDUCATION - 1984

Ehlers reported that the committee discussed the status of this teacher workshop and decided that support of this camp should be continued if we can raise the number of participants. This year we had 12 teachers; 16 would justify the camp, but 20 would be better. More emphasis; on recruiting teachers by the staff will be put forth. If several teachers from this NRD can attend, consideration of financing will be in order.

LESLIE ASSOCIATES BILLING - LANDMARK PROJECT

Ehlers reported the staff briefed the committee regarding the status of Leslie Associates work with Landmark to date. They plan to interview all NRD board members during August as part of the strategy plan. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) that payment of \$2,401.32 be made to Leslie Associates for work completed in the month of June. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Kaiser

NARD REQUEST FOR RANGE JUDGING PROGRAM

Ehlers reported that Walt Fick, NRD Board Member of the Upper Elkhorn NRD and Chairman of the NARD Native Vegetation and Forestry Committee recently sent a request for funding assistance to keep the Nebraska Range Judging Program alive. This program is open to all youth across the state, mostly 4-H and FFA students, and has problems because of recent NARD budget cutbacks. Walt is requesting \$25.00 from each NRD to help sustain the program. Ehlers made the motion (Motion#15) to make payment of \$25.00 to the NARD for funding assistance for the Nebraska Range Judging Program. Seconded by Andersen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meetings held July 18 and 21, 1983 and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

#### 2ND QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #16) that the 2nd quarter per them of \$2,407.17 and expenses of \$2,180.95 be approved. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Woodman Accident and Life has raised their rates significantly since last year. Burke made the motion (Motion #17) to change the health insurance carrier from Woodman Accident & Life of Lincoln to Security Mutual Life through Dick Robson Insurance, York, if the policy provides the necessary coverage, at quoted rates of \$49.29 for individual and \$94.04 for family. Further, the long term disability, term life, and dental will remain with the current carriers. Seconded by Andersen. called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### FY 84 NARD DUES

Burke reported a bill has been received from the NARD for the FY 84 dues. The total FY 84 dues was \$8,500.00. Prepayment of \$2,125.00 was made leaving a balance due of \$6,375.00. Burke made the motion (Motion #18) to approve payment of \$6,375.00 to the NARD for the FY 84 dues. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier

NAY: Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, White  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### REIMBURSE OTHER NRDS FOR EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #19) to approve payment of \$1,036.69 to the Lower Platte North NRD for the Butler County Clerk's salary for 1-1-82 thru 6-30-83. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### ATTORNEYS FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #20) to approve payment of \$1,133.27 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work thru June 20, 1983. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: Dickinson, Ehlers, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT HLADKY CASE

Turnbull reported that on July 21, 1983, a Supreme Court prehearing conference was held in David City. Hladky's attorney offered to settle for \$24,000 and his offer was refused by the Steering Committee. On the same day there was a hearing in the Butler County Court on the inverse condemnation suit filed by Hladky on July 5, 1983. This suit would call for the County Court to appoint appraisers to appraise damages which would become the court award. Our attorney filed a motion to stay for the reason that another suit is pending appeal in the Nebraska Supreme Court over the issue "Has Hladky been damaged?". The County Court agreed to the motion to stay so no further action can take place in the County Court

at this time.

GENERAL MANAGER'S SALARY - FY 84

Burke reported that last month's board motion granting a merit increase for all employees on the salary schedule did not include the General Manager as he is not on the salary schedule. Burke made the motion (Motion #21) to approve an annual salary of \$34,500 for John Turnbull retroactive to July 1, 1983. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser

NEBRASKA IRRIGATION TOUR

Burke made the motion (Motion #22) to change the August Board Meeting date to Tuesday, August 23, 1983, due to the fact that the Nebraska Irrigation Tour extends through the date of the regular board meeting Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Burke made the motion (Motion #23) to pay all expenses for directors going on the 1983 Nebraska State Irrigation Tour, but not to pay per diem. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Peters, Ratliff, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Ehlers, Moore, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Dickinson  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #24) to pay all expenses and per them for 8 board members to go on the 1983 Nebraska State Irrigation Tour. Further, that those not attending last year's tour have priority in being selected. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Ehlers  
ABSENT: Kaiser

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held July 18, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NARD RESOLUTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1983 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #25) that the district not support the Whooping Crane Critical Habitat Resolution. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #26) that the district support the NRD election process resolution. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Hansen, Schlueter, White  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #27) that the district not support the drainage permission system resolution. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Moore, Obermier, Peters,



Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hansen  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #28) that the district support the world-Herald resolution. Seconded by Burke. Considerable discussion followed. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #29) to table the motion. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion to table carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Hansen, Moore  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### LANDMARK ATTORNEY

The district has received a quote from Steve Seglin of Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for fees associated with the Landmark water right hearing. A fixed fee was requested by the Manager. The first quote was \$90,000 for the hearing and \$10,000 for the Supreme Court Appeal. That was turned-down by the Manager through Committee guidance. The new quote is for \$45,000 to conduct the district's side of the case and an hourly billing to defend the objectors arguments, witnesses, etc.

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #30) to hire the firm of Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for services and fees as follows:

1. To prepare for the hearing before the director of the Department of Water Resources which would include the following: (a) interviewing witnesses; (b) preparing witnesses to testify; (c) conferences with district manager and staff; (d) taking any necessary depositions (excluding any depositions which may be taken by the objectors); (e) performing necessary research; (f) attending pre-hearing or pretrial conferences; and (g) preparing a pretrial order.
2. Represent the district at the hearing. Examine all witnesses which the firm calls on the district's behalf (this excludes the cross examination of any opponent's witnesses and any necessary rebuttal evidence). Included would be any necessary trial briefs or research.
3. Represent the district in any appeal that may be filed to the Supreme Court including preparing the necessary briefs and appearances to oral argument before the Court.
4. Commit the services of both Robert Crosby and Steve Seglin and any other lawyers in our office that would be necessary.
5. Undertake all of the services listed above for a firm fee of \$45,000. Leave open and bill the district at the normal hourly rate for all work generated by the objectors which would include attending depositions where initially the objectors are examining those witnesses, responding to any briefs, motions or interrogatories generated by the objectors; participating in any hearings on any motions generated by the objectors; sitting through the testimony of the objector's witnesses and any cross examination thereof; the preparation and calling any rebuttal witnesses. The firm would be reimbursed for any out-of-pocket expenses including, but not limited to, court costs, travel, hotel, meals, court reporter expenses, copying expenses and the like.

Provided the Firm agrees to:

1. Rights of termination of this agreement by the district if a conflict of interest arises over the State Non-Game and Endangered Species Act and related Biological opinions. If such termination is exercised the district is to pay only that portion of the \$45,000 that is actually incurred, plus other expenses incurred as stated in #5 above.
2. In the event the district's water right case does not go to the State Supreme Court the \$45,000 fee be reduced to \$35,000.
3. The district be billed on a pro-rated monthly rate of \$2,500 per month for the fixed fee portion, in addition to billing for other expenses in #5 above, as incurred.

Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Peters, Ratliff,  
Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: Obermier  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser

FY 84 BUDGET

Schlueter reported that the FY 84 budget was thoroughly reviewed by the Committee. The draft presented had \$126,740 budgeted for land treatment, property taxes 5% greater than last year and a \$94,000 transfer from sinking fund investments to the general fund to balance the revenues with expenses. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #31) that the district only transfer \$67,719.22 from the sinking fund to the general fund and reduce the land treatment to \$100,500 in order to balance revenues with expenses. Further, such transfer be all of those funds set aside for the Central Butler (\$37,719.22) and Siebert (\$30,000) projects scheduled for FY 84 construction. In addition to the above that the FY 84 budget as amended be approved for presentation at the budget hearing in August. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for June, 1983 White made the motion (Motion #32) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of June 30, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
June 23, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:09 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Morris White, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Doug Dickinson, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Larry Moore, Director	William Gilliam, York SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Kay Landon, Seward, NE
Max Ronne, Director	Jim Landon, Seward, NE
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Arvon Engel, Utica, NE
Roy Stuhr, Director	J. Sanchez, KAWL Radio
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published June 13, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept of file for public inspection at the district's office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent with Anderson arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the May 19, 1983 regular board of directors meeting with the correction that Kaiser gave the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee report instead of Schlueter. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kaiser

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held June 6, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

GERHARDT BLUM/ERNEST BLUM REQUEST

White reported Ernest Blum was present to request that the NRD and York County work together on a joint flood control project to protect properties and roads east of the Waco road on Dry Run Creek. White made the motion, (Motion #2) that the district make a formal request of York County to participate with the NRD in planning, financing, and constructing a flood control dam west of the Waco road on Dry Run Creek. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kaiser

SMITH CREEK PROJECT PROGRESS PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #3) that Mid-Western Contracting Company be paid the amount of \$10,108.47, \$1,010.84 to be held as retainage for work completed in May, 1983 on the Smith Creek Project. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Anderson, Kaiser

STRUCTURE 35-11-6 WATER QUALITY TESTING

White made the motion (Motion #4) that the Applied Earth Sciences Company proposal to provide surface water quality testing at structure 35-11-6 for a fee of \$2,596.00 be approved by the Board of Directors. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Anderson  
ABSENT: Kaiser

FY 8.4 DISTRICT PROGRAMS

White made the motion (Motion #5) that the Reuse Pit Rebuild program be adopted as a regular program of the district and be included in the programs book for FY 84. Seconded by Dickinson. Considerable discussion followed. Peters amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #6) to limit the amount cost-shared on each Reuse Pit Rebuild application to \$700. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer  
NAY: Andersen, Burke, Ratliff, Stuhr, White  
ABSTAIN: Regier  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, White  
NAY: Andersen, Moore, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Volkmer, Regier  
ABSENT: Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #7) that tentative approval be given to the seven NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$11,057.99. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL

APPROVAL White made the motion (Motion #8) that final approval be given to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$2,596.48. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #9) that tentative approval be given to the three L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$13,696.92. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #10) that final approval be given to the Masek Bros. L.B. 450 funded cost-share application in the amount of \$5,583.40. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters,

Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### BY-LAWS

Ardean Andersen made the motion (Motion #11) that the By-Laws of the Upper Big Blue NRD be amended to require the recording of the number of yes votes and the number of no votes in committee reports on action taken each month. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### FY 84 PROJECTS DEPARTMENT AND WATER SUPPLY PROJECT BUDGETS

White reported that the first drafts of the Projects Department and Water Supply Project budgets were reviewed and forwarded to the Budget and Planning Committee with the condition that the consolidated budget will not increase more than 5% from the FY 83 budget.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held June 7, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FY 84 WATER DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Obermier reported the FY 84 Water Department budget was reviewed by the committee and forwarded to the Budget and Planning Committee for their consideration.

#### EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held June 14, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FY 84 PUBLIC INFORMATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

Ronne reported the Public Information Department and the Parks Department budgets were reviewed by the committee and forwarded to the Budget and Planning Committee for their consideration.

#### FARM CONSERVATION AWARDS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that four photo awards be given this year for farm conservation. The same format will be used as in the past. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### FY 84 PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS BOOKLETS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #13) that 1,000 copies of the FY 84 Programs and Projects Booklet be printed by Graphic Printing of Seward for a total cost of \$860.00. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### JUNE WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #14) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make payments in the month of June to the cooperators for a total of \$14,777.05. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Moore, Schlueter  
ABSENT: Kaiser

NEW WILDLIFE CONTRACTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #15) that the district accept the new cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program, as reviewed, in the amount of \$1,220.00. 75% will be paid by the Game and Parks Commission. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

NATIVE GRASS SEEDING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #16) that the district make payment to Noel Eberspacher in the amount of \$758.28 for native grass seed planted in his wildlife area. The Game and Parks Commission will reimburse the district 100%. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

HASTINGS N.W. LEASE PAYMENT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #17) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make payment of \$5,079.17 to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission for the unused portion of the lease money received from the Hastings N.W. Project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson  
ABSENT: Kaiser

WACO PARK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #18) that the Upper Big Blue NRD fund the park project for the Village of Waco at a rate of 12.5% of the preliminary estimated cost of \$6,000, not to exceed \$750.00. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Moore  
ABSENT: Kaiser

TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD PRESENTATION

Jim Landon, nominated by the Upper Big Blue NRD for the Allis-Chalmers, NARD Teacher of the Year Award, has won the regional competition and now advances to final national consideration. Mr. Landon was presented with a plaque and a check in the amount of \$200 for winning the regional competition. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #19) to pay for Jim Landon's expenses to the Denver NACD Convention in February, 1984 even if he does not win the national award. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held June 20, 1983 and reviewed the report as distributed.

LANDMARK PROJECT

Schlueter reported the Landmark Project hearing schedule is set back at this point by the backlog of work on water project biological opinions by the Game and Parks Commission. The staff is still negotiating with Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner and Kuester on fees for legal counsel during the hearing. The staff is involved in a series of meetings with Tri-County and the Whooping Crane Trust developing options and strategy for the Plum Creek application. Potential impacts of the biological opinions already rendered, and various

other scenarios of river and reservoir operations were reviewed.

#### FY 84 BUDGET REVIEW

Schlueter reported the budgets from each committee were thoroughly reviewed. The Budget Committee continues its consensus that the overall budget increase should not exceed 5% over FY 83. Schlueter reported the Budget Committee will review the final drafts of the budget on July 18th and the budget hearing and adoption will be held August 18th.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held June 20, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ATTORNEYS FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #20) that payment of \$1,455.86 be approved to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work thru May 20, 1983. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### SOIL SURVEY

Burke made the motion (Motion #21) that Amendment #7 to the Master Cooperative Agreement concerning the Saline County Soil Survey be approved, including the \$250 cost of the survey in FY 84. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

Burke reported the staff briefed the Executive Committee on the need for the district to purchase a computer system. The current annual cost of the leased equipment, phone line and University of Nebraska computer time is \$18,000. The computer equipment, if purchased, will replace the leased equipment and the main use of the University of Nebraska computer. Burke made the motion (Motion #22) to purchase the computer system as presented from Maken Computer Services for \$19,612.00 plus tax and from Digital Systems Sales, Inc. for \$2,995 plus tax. Seconded by Hansen. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: White  
ABSTAIN: Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### DISTRICT INSURANCE

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #23) to accept the insurance package for property, marine, general liability, automobiles, worker's compensation, public officials and employees liability for a total of \$7,770. Further, that an additional one million dollar coverage be added for general liability at a cost of \$400. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### FY 84 STAFF SALARIES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #24) to go into Executive Session at 10:52 p.m. to discuss the personnel's salaries. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #25) to go back into regular session at 12:10 a.m. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Burke made the motion (Motion #26) to approve an adjustment to the district base salary schedule of 3~2-% and further to approve the employee step increases as reviewed. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Hansen, Peters  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
ABSTAIN: Regier  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #27) to grant a one-step merit increase to all employees on the district pay scale and further to reduce the SCS clerk's time not to exceed 24 hours per week. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, White, Regier  
NAY: Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for May, 1983. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #28) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of May 31, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 a.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary



MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
May 19, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Ardean Andersen, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Allen Mittan, Saline SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Jay Rezek, Saline SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Dennis Schroeder, York SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Bill Gilliam, York SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Dale Orlog, KAWL Radio
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published May 9, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district's office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 2 absent.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the April 21, 1983 regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held May 9, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WEIR DEMONSTRATION PROJECT - TURKEY CREEK STRUCTURE 20-7-2W

White made the motion (Motion #2) that the demonstration project for low head gravity dams on Turkey Creek be made an active project with priority #10. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

SMITH CREEK PROJECT PROGRESS PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #3) that the Board approve payment of \$46,940.16 to Mid-Western Contracting Company, \$4,694.02 to be held as retainage, for work completed in April on the Smith Creek Project. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

STRUCTURE 35-11-6 LANDRIGHTS ESTIMATE

White made the motion (Motion #4) that the Trampe & Associates appraisal firm be paid

\$630.00 for preliminary landrights estimate on Structure 35-11-6W. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

#### STRUCTURE 35-11-6W ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

White made the motion (Motion #5) that the District enter into an agreement with Applied Earth Sciences Company to conduct an environmental assessment for Project 35-11-6W for a fee not to exceed \$2,101.80 as stated in their proposal dated April 28, 1983. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

#### SMITH CREEK PROJECT CONCRETE TESTING

White made the motion (Motion #6) that Western Laboratories be paid \$76.50 for concrete testing on the Smith Creek Project. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

#### EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held May 10, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### GAME AND PARKS

COMMISSION WILDLIFE HABITAT PROGRAM UPDATE Ronne reported that Ben Schole, Game and Parks Commission Field Representative for this district has resigned his position to return to farming. The NRD had expended it's allocated funds for the Wildlife Habitat Program from Game and Parks. The wildlife contracts for June, 1983 will be honored, but additional funds will not be available until further notice.

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM FOR "LANDMARK PROJECT"

Ronne made the motion (Motion #7) that the agreement with Leslie Associates, Inc. of Omaha be approved as presented. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter

NAY: Ehlers, Volkmer, White

ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

#### REVISED NRD AWARD PROGRAM

Ronne reported that instead of 8 or 9 annual conservation farm awards, 4 would be given to the best landowners. The District would be broken into four areas - northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest. The four quarters would consist of areas farmed by Highway 81 (north-south), and Interstate 80 (east-west). In addition, 5 new award categories would be created to honor those who do not all actively farm or own land. This is an effort to expand our awards program. The five new categories would be (1) Agri-Business Award, (2) Conservation Teacher of the Year Award, (3) Landowner Management Award, (4) Tree Planter Award, and (5) Wildlife Award. The awards would consist of a nice plaque and public presentation. The SCS would nominate any or all of these awards. If so, their name would also be on the plaque. All of these awards will be given on an "as deserved" basis. Ronne made the motion (Motion #8) that the revised awards program be accepted as presented. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held May 12, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

ATTORNEYS FEES

Obermier made the motion (Motion #9) that payment of \$560.48 be approved to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work from March 29, 1983 thru April 20, 1983. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

SOIL SURVEY

Obermier made the motion (Motion #10) that payment of \$4,000 be approved to the University of Nebraska Conservation and Survey Division for the Fillmore County Soil Survey as per the FY 1983 agreement. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held May 12, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

SCS REPORTS

Schlueter reported that Jerry Willhoft, Liaison D.C., met with the committee to discuss the SCS reports to the board meetings. By mutual consent it was agreed to have the SCS listed on each board meeting agenda but that the SCS would only make formal reports on a quarterly basis. If i3 specific committee or the staff requests, reports could be given as needed in addition to the quarterly reports. This streamlining should help both the board and the SCS.

LANDMARK PROJECT

Schlueter reported that Turnbull briefed the committee on the status of the Landmark Project. on March 11, 1983 Mike Jess of the Department of Water Resources informed this district that we should expect the water rights hearing by winter and that a biological opinion is to be done by the Game and Parks Commission prior to that. Turnbull requested the Game and Parks Commission, on April 26, 1983, to begin the biological opinion work on the district's water right application. On May 5, 1983 Bill Bailey, Game and Parks Commission, informed the district to expect the first meeting with them on the biological opinion in July. Turnbull, Regier and Bitner met with Robert Crosby and Steve Seglin to discuss the possibilities of them representing the district in our water rights hearings. Potential conflict of interests were discussed and resolved. Crosby and Seglin have proposed a fee for their services. The Committee directed Turnbull to continue negotiating the fee.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for April, 1983. White made the motion (motion #11) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of April 30, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Regier, Stuhr

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
April 21, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:04 p.m. in the NRD Administrative office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Morris White, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Pub Info Dept Mgr.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Mgr
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Keith Niemann, York Extension
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Lowell Peters, Director	Marvin Siebert, Henderson
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Patricia Leslie, Leslie Assoc.
Max Ronne, Director	Jim Youngblut, Leslie Assoc.
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Ed Leslie, Leslie Associate-es
Roy Stuhr, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Mgr.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published April 11, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent, with Peters arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Ronne made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the March 17, 1983, regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Peters

SCS REPORT

The first quarter progress report was distributed.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held April 11, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

TURKEY CREEK - WEIR STRUCTURE RESEARCH PROPOSAL

White made the motion (Motion #2) that a demonstration project for low head gravity dams - Turkey Creek be approved for the active projects list without priority rating at this time. Seconded by Volkmer.

Considerable discussion followed. Ratliff amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #3) to send the matter back to the Projects Committee to have a priority rating assigned and to gather as much information as possible on the project. Seconded by Ehlers. Further discussion followed. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Peters  
ABSENT: Kaiser

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

SMITH CREEK DAM PROGRESS PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #4) that Mid-Western Contracting Company be paid \$18,280.25 for work completed on the Smith Creek project in March, 1983. 10% or \$1,828.02 will be held as retainage. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #5) that tentative approval be given to the nine NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$15,498.59. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

REUSE PIT REBUILD - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #6) that tentative approval be given for the two reuse pit rebuild applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,137.40. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Peters, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Andersen, Obermier, Ratliff, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Moore, Ronne  
ABSENT: Kaiser

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #7) that tentative approval be given for the 4 L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$27,400.88. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Stuhr  
ABSENT: Kaiser

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT

White made the motion (Motion #8) that if the Plasek Dam makes the Central Butler Water Management Project infeasible economically, the dam should not be built. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

NEBRASKA CONSERVATION CORPORATION LOAN PROGRAM

White made the motion (Motion #9) that a meeting be held for the purpose of explaining the use of the Nebraska Conservation Corporation's first loan program. The meeting is to be held on April 27, 1983. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held April 12, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

STRUEBING DAM WATER RIGHTS

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #10) to approve the contract with Richard Struebing for

the Struebing Dam water rights as reviewed. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff Ronne Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

#### EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held April 13, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### PROFESSIONAL PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM

Three representatives from Leslie Associates of Omaha, a professional public relations firm, were in attendance and presented their proposal for representing the district as public relations counsel for the Landmark Water Project. After considerable discussion between the board of directors and the public relations firm's representatives, Moore made the motion (Motion #11) to send the matter back to the Education & Parks Committee to be held until (1) the General Manager concludes negotiations with the legal counsel to see who will be representing the district on the project and (2) the district has a chance to visit with the other two entities involved in the project to see if they would be willing to share in the cost of the professional public relations firm. Further, after the first two conditions are met, to negotiate the contract price with Leslie Associates. Seconded by Schlueter. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Kaiser

#### GRASS SEED REIMBURSEMENT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that the Upper Big Blue NRD reimburse Glenn Peterson in the amount of \$171.08 for his grass seed planted on his wildlife habitat area. The district will be reimbursed 100% by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Moore, Kaiser

#### NRD WATER RESOURCES INFORMATION BOOK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #13) that 1,000 copies be printed of a 2nd edition of the NRD Water Resources Information Book by Graphic Printing of Seward at a cost of \$860.00. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore, Volkmer

#### NRD GENERAL INFORMATION FLYER

Ronne made the motion (Motion #14) that 1,000 NRD general information flyers be printed by Graphic Printing of Seward at cost not to exceed \$200.00. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held April 13, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FIRST QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to approve the first quarter directors per them in the amount of \$2,512.50 and expenses in the amount of \$2,126.75, including Lowell Peters' Marysville, Missouri trip expenses and one way mileage of \$.23 per mile for Bruce

Anderson's New Orleans NACD trip. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### NARD DUES

The board of directors viewed a video tape recording on the NARD FY 84 budget. Burke made the motion (Motion #16) that the district approve the NARD request of a 25% increase in Association dues for FY 84 (\$8,500 instead of \$6,800) and to further approve the immediate prepayment of one-fourth of the FY 84 dues. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Moore, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Ehlers, Obermier, Ratliff, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, White  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### DISTRICT COMMITTEE VOTING

Burke made the motion (Motion #17) to amend Article III of the District's By-Laws by adding the following: PARAGRAPH G. Voting - (1) Each Committee member present shall be entitled to one (1) vote upon each matter submitted to a meeting of the Committee. Others present are not eligible to vote. (2) The committee minutes shall only reflect if the motions pass or fail. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Regier  
NAY: Dickinson, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Obermier, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Kaiser

#### PROJECTS DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

Burke made the motion (Motion #18) to authorize the purchase of electronic distance measuring equipment with the total cost not to exceed \$8,888.00. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held April 14, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### BIOLOGICAL OPINION REQUEST

Schlueter reported the Nebraska Department of Water Resources has, requested the district begin the consultation process with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission on the Landmark Project. The district was also notified to expect the Landmark water rights hearing to begin in the later part of 1983. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #19) to authorize the General Manager and staff to consult with the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission on the biological opinion for the Landmark Project. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #20) to negotiate the legal fees for the Landmark Project hearing before the Nebraska Department Of Water Resources with the law firm of Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for March, 1983. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #21) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of March 31, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore

Meeting adjourned at 12:28 a.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary



MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
March 17, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	John Turnbull, General Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Bob Ehlers, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Larry Moore, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay Co. SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Rhoda Portis, Polk Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co., SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Roy Stuhr, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published March 7, 1983 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent.

MINUTES

Anderson made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the February 17, 1983, regular board of directors meeting as corrected. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

SCS REPORT

Rhoda Portis, Polk County SCS, gave a slide presentation.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held March 10, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #2) that the Board of Directors give tentative approval to the one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,523.09. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

SMITH CREEK PROJECT PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #3) that the board of directors approve the progress payment of \$13,084.51 for work completed in February, 1983 on the Smith Creek Project. 10% or \$1,308.45 will be held as retainage. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #4) that the board of directors approve the project proposal requesting a 75% grant from the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission Development Fund on project 35-11-6 (Grosshans Project). Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #5) that the District's General Manager be designated as applicant's authorized representative for the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission Development Fund application on Project 35-11-6 (Grosshans Project). Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### RESEARCH PROJECT

Ehlers reported that the Projects Committee discussed a potential research construction project to determine benefits and costs of "low head" Weir structures on the major streams in the Upper Big Blue NRD. The location of the research project would be on Turkey Creek in Fillmore County and east of Geneva. District staff will present a proposal for accomplishing this research at the April Committee meeting.

#### EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Volkmer gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held March 10, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FAIRMONT BALL FIELD RENOVATION PROJECT

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #6) that the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District fund the project for the Village of Fairmont at a rate of 12.5% of the project cost, not to exceed \$2,500.00, with the following stipulations attached:

The Fairmont Board requesting assistance is to agree to the following before approval of funds can be made.

1. The City of Fairmont will administer the project.
2. The City of Fairmont will stand the cost of planning and design, including plans and specifications.
3. The City of Fairmont will handle contracts and vendors as necessary.
4. The project will be designed and built to meet appropriate park, safety, and building code requirements, for public facilities.
5. The City of Fairmont will operate and maintain the facility. NRD funds are not available for operation and maintenance.
6. The facility will be for the use and enjoyment of the general public.
7. The NRD funds will be paid to the City of Fairmont upon completion of the project and a satisfactory final inspection and acceptance by the NRD.

Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed. Stuhr amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #7) that the matter be sent back to the Education and Parks Committee to have it clarified. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Stuhr

NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White

ABSTAIN: Regier

ABSENT: Hansen

Schlueter amended the original motion to make the motion (Motion #8) that the phrase "preliminary estimated cost of \$8,000" be inserted and that the "not to exceed figure" be changed to \$1,000.00. Seconded by Ronne. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Regier  
ABSENT: Hansen

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne,  
Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: Kaiser, Moore

ABSTAIN: Burke, Regier

ABSENT: Hansen

#### NACD 1983 ALLIS-CHALMERS TEACHER AWARD

Volkmer reported that this award is open to any teacher and consists of a \$1,000 cash prize plus an all-expense paid trip to the 1984 NACD Convention in Denver. Volkmer made the motion (motion #9) that the NRD nominate Jim Landon of Seward High School for the NACD 1983 Allis-Chalmers Teacher award. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### NATIVE WILDFLOWER PROJECT - SEWARD GIRL SCOUTS

Volkmer reported that this project will involve over 200 Girl Scouts and City clubs planting wild flowers around selected sites in the Seward Community. Volkmer made the motion (Motion #10) that not more than \$50 be expended for the Seward Girl Scouts Native Wildflower Project., Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### WATER COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee Meeting held March 10, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CHANGE IN CONTROL AREA RULES PROPOSED BY VOLKMER

Obermier reported that the committee discussed Volkmer's proposal to allow a greater annual decline before triggering allocation based on the number of wells which were drilled in the Control Area. After consider discussion no motions were made.

#### 1983 RUNOFF INSPECTION AGREEMENTS

Obermier made the motion (Motion #11) that the district renew its contracts with the Seward and Clay County Groundwater Conservation Districts for irrigation runoff inspection in Saline and Adams Counties. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

#### 1983 WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENT CONTRACT

Obermier made the motion (Motion #12) that the district renew its contract with the Blue River Association of Groundwater Conservation Districts for the spring and fall water level measurements in 1983 at a rate of \$7.00 per measurement. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Hansen

#### QUARTERLY WELL REGISTRATION REPORT

Obermier reported that there were only 21 wells registered in the last quarter of 1982. 10 were old wells (drilled one year ago or longer)and 11 wells were registered that had been drilled within the last year.

#### WATER USE EFFICIENCY POLICY ALTERNATIVES

Obermier reported that DeBuhr passed out a questionnaire to those present at the committee meeting concerning the policy issue study being done by the UN-L Water Resources Center on water use efficiency policy alternatives.

L.B. 23

Obermier reported that L.B. 23, which transfers the issuance of permits for wells to the NRD, has passed the Legislature and been signed by the Governor. The bill will become effective 90 days following the last day of the legislative session.

RUNOFF SURVEILLANCE IN POLK AND BUTLER COUNTIES

Obermier reported that the runoff surveillance in Polk and Butler Counties will be handled by DeBuhr or his assistant Dave Clabaugh.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee Meeting held March 10, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

Stuhr reported the status of current bills was discussed.

LANDMARK PROJECT

Stuhr reported the committee discussed the probable impact of the Biological Opinion on the Little Blue Irrigation Project and other proposals along the Platte River. Current status of the Landmark Project and the strategy that has been followed was reviewed. The consensus of those present was that the district should continue its stance of low profile on all irrigation project proposals until the expected arguments by others over the recent Biological opinion are settled.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee Meeting held March 17, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #13) to approve payment of \$611.17 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through February 20, 1983. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

NRD BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Burke made the motion (Motion #14) that the committee assignments; be approved as presented. Further, that these assignments remain in effect until 1985. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen

EQUIPMENT COST OF OPERATION SUMMARY

Turnbull reviewed the costs of operation on the computer, copier and district vehicles.

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN

Burke reported the NARD Retirement Committee met recently and reviewed the status of the program. A slight adjustment is necessary on July 1, 1983. The employee contribution is to go up to the rate of 3.6% of payroll (currently 3.3%) and the district share is to increase to 4.1% (currently 3.7%). The past service benefit charge of 0.36% will cease on July 1, 1983.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for February, 1983. White made the motion (Motion #15) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of February 28, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the

expenditures for Publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen

NRD PROPERTY SEWAGE LINE

Stuhr made a motion (Motion #16) to send the sewage line improvement matter (proposed by the City of York) to the Executive Committee to arrive at a consensus and that a resolution be brought to the board for action. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Obermier, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
ABSENT: Hansen

Ronne made the motion (Motion #17) that a letter be sent to the City of York informing them that the NRD would like a choice of hooking on to the proposed sewer line and paying or waiving the service. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
NAY: Burke, Regier  
ABSTAIN: Obermier, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Hansen

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

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Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
February 17, 1983

A regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Jim Hisbandr, Conservation & Survey
Bob Ehlers, Director	Roger Hammer, Clay Co. SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Dan Himsworth, Clay Co. SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Wes Keiser, Clay Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr.
Max Ronne, Director	Lyle Alberts, Clay Center
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Donald Wahl, Bradshaw
Roy Stuhr, Director	Jack Byrkit, Clay Center
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 2 absent with Stuhr arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the January 20, 1983, regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Peters, Stuhr

SCS REPORT

Roger Hammer gave a report on the progress of the Clay County Soil Survey. The survey work should be completed by June, 1983, with publication scheduled for 1985. Jerry Willhoft presented the board with a copy of the final report on the RCA program.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held February 11, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #2) to approve payment of \$348.39 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through January 20, 1983. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Peters, Stuhr

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Burke made the motion (Motion #3) to appoint the NRD board members to the NRD committees for two year terms beginning February 18, 1983, as presented. Seconded by Ronne. Kaiser requested the motion be postponed for one month.

VISA CREDIT CARD

Burke made the motion (Motion #5) to approve a resolution increasing the Visa credit card limit from \$2,500 to \$5,000. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters, Stuhr

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Moore gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held February 11, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

Moore made the motion (Motion #6) that the district support L.B. 380 and L.B. 576, but oppose L.B.s 381, 431, 512, and 595. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters, Stuhr

TAX STUDY

A tax study was distributed to the directors which is mostly a collection of facts about this area that are helpful in considering raising funds for irrigation projects.

BIOLOGICAL OPINION

The recent Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's biological opinion on the Catherland Project was discussed.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held February 11, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #7) that the board of directors grant final approval to the four L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$6,342.61. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

EPKE DAM

Ehlers reported that the City Council's Public Works Committee, the York County Board Chairman, and the County Road Superintendent met with the Projects Committee to discuss the Epke Project. The landowners are very supportive. The comments from the City and the County indicated that the District should proceed with preliminary planning.

GROSSHANS PROJECT - LAND RIGHTS CONSULTATION

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #8) that the board of directors hire Trampe and Associates for an estimate of \$600 plus expenses to consult with the district on a preliminary land rights cost estimate for the Grosshans Project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

HASTINGS N.W. LEASE AGREEMENTS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #9) that the Upper Big Blue NRD accept the offer of \$50.00 per acre for 93 acres from Glenn R. Berg (\$4,650.00 total) and \$50.00 per acre for 50 acres from Lloyd Schroeder (\$2,500.00 total) for a one year lease of the Hastings N.W. land. Seconded by Dickinson. Discussion was held on -raising the cash rent. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,

Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Regier  
NAY: Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

#### PROJECT STATUS

Ehlers gave a status report on the Grosshans, Siebert, and Bristol Projects.

#### SMITH CREEK PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #10) to approve a progress payment in the amount of \$20,365.88 to Mid-Western Contracting Company for work completed through January 31, 1983 on the Smith Creek Project. \$2,036.58 will be retained until completion of the project. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

#### EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Volkmer gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held February 14, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NRD WILDLIFE HABITAT PROGRAM

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #11) that the district continue its present Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program as stated in the FY 1983 Programs and Cost-Share Practice Book as it is being presently managed. If the cooperators has his land signed up in the Federal Ag Program his land does not qualify for the Habitat Program. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

#### NEW HABITAT CONTRACTS

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #12) that the Upper Big Blue NRD accept the new cooperators into the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program, as presented, for a total of 158.5 acres and annual payments of \$2,7715.00. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

#### NRD FARM CONSERVATION AWARDS

Volkmer reported that the committee discussed the situation regarding the annual photo awards program and the fact that some counties have less than desirable nominations. No one is to blame because after many years of nominations many of the better conservation farmers have been recognized. The Committee directed the staff to examine other conservation award categories such as water management, tree planter, wildlife manager, teacher of the year, grassland award, citizen and/or business man recognition etc.

#### 1983 SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #13) that the district participate in the 1983 Soil Stewardship Week observance and that not more than \$200 be expended for inserts and mailing to the churches who wish to be included. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

#### LANDMARK PROJECT

Volkmer gave a report concerning the two briefings (Hamilton County Groundwater Association and Hamilton County Ag Organization leaders) designed to inform those people



who will be affected first by the project. It is planned to involve as many agricultural and community leaders as possible in the areas where irrigation water will be stored and delivered. The groups are kept small so a very open discussion can be held. From these meetings the staff hopes to build a nucleus of support in Hamilton County (and across the NRD) because a proposal of this scope and size will never become reality unless there is broad based public support. Many more of these meetings are being planned in the near future. Volkmer made the motion (Motion #14) that the NRD public relations department manager research and contact several professional firms to put together a "package Plan" for promoting the Landmark Project. Seconded by Ratliff. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

UN-L EXTENSION SERVICE CONSERVATION TILLAGE MEETINGS

Volkmer reported that the district has received several requests in the past for assistance in funding various programs, tours, etc., the latest being from Columbus and Aurora for area tillage meetings. Although they are not large requests for funding assistance, we do not have a policy to cope with this. Volkmer made the motion (Motion #15) that the NRD fund only those programs and workshops which the district is principally involved in. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Obermier, Volkmer, White  
ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for January, 1983. White made the motion (Motion #16) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of January 31, 1983, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Hansen, Peters

NACD CONVENTION REPORTS

Volkmer, Anderson, Staab and Feather gave reports on the National Association of Conservation Districts Annual Convention held in New Orleans, Louisiana February 6-10, 1983.

Meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m

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Norman Obermier, Secretary

MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
January 20, 1983

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 1:09 p.m. in the NRD Administrative office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Larry Moore, Chairman	Ardean Andersen, Director
Ken Regier, Vice-Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Roy Stuhr, Treasurer	Joan Lovelace, Admin. Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. GWCDs
Raymond Burke, Director	Ed Ediger, Hampton
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Gerald Hegeholz, Staplehurst
Bob Ehlers, Dick Hayes, Clay Co. SCS	Wayne Hansen, DirectorDan Himsworth, Clay Co. SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Norman Obermier, Director	Joe Vavricka, Fillmore Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Rhoda Portis, Polk Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Morris White, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

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Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent, with Andersen arriving later in the meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD VACANCY

Burke made the motion (Motion #1) to suspend the By-Laws to accept nominations from the floor for the appointment of board vacancy and each officer and to vote for each by written ballot if more than one person is nominated. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations to fill the director vacancy of Sub-District #6 of the Upper Big Blue NRD. Burke nominated Lowell Peters. Regier nominated Ed Ediger. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #2) to close nominations for director of Sub-District #6 of the Upper Big Blue NRD. Seconded by Anderson. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

Ballots were distributed to each director. Chairman Moore appointed Rod DeBuhr and Mark Nannen to tally votes. After a count of ballots, the result was announced as: Peters - 9 votes, Ediger - 6 votes. Lowell Peters is appointed to Sub-District #6 of the Upper Big Blue NRD for a four year term.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Chairman. Burke nominated Ken Regier. There being no further nominations, Ehlers made the motion (Motion #3) to close nominations for Chairman and cast an unanimous ballot for Ken Regier as Chairman. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Regier  
ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman. Moore nominated Raymond Burke. There being no further nominations, Volkmer made the motion (Motion #4) to close nominations for Vice-Chairman and cast an unanimous ballot for Raymond Burke. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,

Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Peters

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Secretary. Stuhr nominated Norman Obermier. There being no further nominations, Schlueter made the motion (Motion #5) to close nominations for Secretary and cast an unanimous ballot for Norman Obermier. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Obermier  
ABSENT: Peters

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Treasurer. Anderson nominated Wayne Hansen. There being no further nominations, Ronne made the motion (Motion #6) to close nominations for Treasurer and cast an unanimous ballot for Wayne Hansen. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hansen  
ABSENT: Peters

#### APPOINTMENT OF NARD REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nomination for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Representative. Kaiser nominated Roy Stuhr. There being no further nominations, Ratliff made the motion (Motion #7) to close nominations for NARD Representative and cast an unanimous ballot for Roy Stuhr. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr  
ABSENT: Peters

#### APPOINTMENT OF NARD ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nominations for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Alternate Representative. Ehlers nominated Raymond Ratliff. There being no further nominations, Kaiser made the motion (Motion #8) to close nominations for NARD Alternate Representative and cast an unanimous ballot for Raymond Ratliff. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ratliff  
ABSENT: Peters

#### MINUTES

Anderson made the motion (Motion #9) to approve the minutes of the December 16, 1982 regular board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### SCS REPORT

Dick Hayes, D.C., Clay County SCS, gave a report on their efforts to rebuild irrigation reuse pits. Pictures of examples were passed around.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held January 14, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 4TH QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #10) that the 4th quarter per them of \$990.00 and expenses of \$2,173.97 be approved. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #11) that payment of \$2,033.24 be made to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through December 16, 1982. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP

The floor was opened for nominations to fill the Washington, D.C. trip representative vacancy. Stuhr nominated Raymond Ratliff. Moore nominated Morris White. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #12) that nominations, cease and ballots be casted. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called by voice vote. Motion carried.

Ballots were distributed to each director. After a count of ballots, the result was announced as: Ratliff - 8 votes, White - 8 votes. The two nominees agreed to flip a coin. Ratliff won the toss. White will be the alternate delegate.

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #13) that Ken Regier and Ray Ratliff go to Washington, D.C. April 4th to April 9, 1983. Further, that Morris White be alternate delegate. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: White  
ABSENT: Peters

#### CHECK & WARRANT SIGNATURES

Burke made the motion (Motion #14) that Roy Stuhr be authorized to sign checks and warrants until the new treasurer is properly bonded. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

#### NARD FUNDING TASK FORCE

Stuhr reported Gordon Kissel, NARD, was present to explain the Association's Funding Task Force Study, which is to be a report to look at various ways to finance and raise money for water projects. It is to include background information, other state's techniques and look at new mechanisms such as lotteries, bonds, etc. The Association expects the costs of the Task Force Study to be \$15,000. Each member agency on the task force is asked to help finance the study except the state and Natural Resources Commission.

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #15) that the Upper Big Blue NRD contribute \$2,000.00 to the NARD to support the Funding Task Force Study. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Peters

#### SMITH CREEK SLIDE PRESENTATION

Stan Staab gave a slide presentation on the construction progress of the Smith Creek Project in Seward County.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ehlers gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held January 14, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #16) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the six NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$10,187.81. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #17) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the nine NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$14,651.55. Seconded by white. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #18) that the Board of Directors grant tentative approval to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$11,248.10. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #19) that the Board of Directors grant final approval to the two L.B. 450 funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$2,804.41. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

LAND TREATMENT - REMOVAL OF CONSERVATION PRACTICES

Ehlers reported the district staff was directed to inform Mike Berndt, farm manager for the Florence Nelson farm in Polk County, and Larry David, Polk County landowner, that it is the district's policy to request repayment of cost-share funds when land treatment practices are removed.

SMITH CREEK PROJECT - CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS PAYMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #20) that Mid-Western Contracting Company be paid \$13,891.08 and that \$1,389.10 be held as retainage for work completed in December on the Smith Creek Dam. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT - ENGINEERING SERVICES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #21) that the Board of Directors authorize the Central Butler Project lead agency to enter into an engineering services agreement with Olsson Associates, Consulting Engineers, to provide design and construction engineering services on storm sewers in David City. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

NEW ACTIVE PROJECTS

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #22) that the Board of Directors approve the Pittard Structure Project, located in Fillmore County, NW4 27-7-3 West, to be added to the active projects list. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

PROJECT SUSPENSION

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #23) that the Board of Directors suspend the following projects from the active projects list: Prigge Dam, Butler County; Big Weedy Creek Dam, Seward County; York East Recreation Dam, York County. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

PROJECT PRIORITIES

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #24) that the District's active projects be given priorities as follows: (1) Grosshans Dam, Hamilton County, (2) Siebert Project, York County, (3) Bristol Project, Fillmore County, (4) Epke Project, York County, (5) Wolstenholm Project, York County, (6) Indian Creek Project, Seward County, (7) Sleepy Hollow Project, Seward County, (8) Pittard Project, Fillmore County, (9) Crooked Creek Project, Seward County. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Dickinson

ABSENT: Peters

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Obermier gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held January 14, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

REQUEST FOR WELL SPACING VARIANCE

Obermier reported the committee met with Walter Goertzen of Hampton to discuss his request for a variance to the well spacing regulation. Mr. Goertzen requested that he be allowed to drill an irrigation well approximately 900 feet from two other wells. In order to get 1,000 feet from these wells he would have to move his well 100 feet into the field. The committee: recommended Walter Goertzen's well spacing variance request be denied.

L.B. 23

Obermier reported that L.B. 23 had been introduced by Senator Sieck on the District's behalf. This bill will change the well permit procedure so that the NRD would issue the well permits instead of the Department of Water Resources.

CONSERVATION WORKSHOPS

The district staff has been working with the SCS, Extension and Blue River Association to set up two conservation workshops. One will be held March 7th in Utica and the other March 8th in Sutton.

WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM

DeBuhr reported he had been contacted by the Little Blue NRD about a water conservation program being conducted by the Adams County Extension Office. The contest will be to see who can raise the highest yield with the least amount of water. Lending institutions are donating the prize money. The cost of this contest to the district would be minimal with some staff time required at harvest. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #25) to support: the Adams County Water Conservation Contest. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Peters

EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Volkmer gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held January 14, 1983, and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #26) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make the following wildlife habitat payments: January - \$7,925.75, February -\$10,935.25, March - \$2,670.00. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Andersen

ABSENT: Peters

STUDENT CONTEST TO NAME SMITH CREEK PROJECT

Volkmer reported the idea of some type of contest which would be open to students in the Utica Centennial Public Schools for the purpose of formally naming the Smith Creek Dam and Reservoir was discussed. Volkmer made the motion (Motion #27) that the board of directors promote an essay contest for the purpose of naming the Smith Creek Project. The Utica Centennial Public Schools will be invited to participate. Seconded by Ronne. Discussion followed on allowing other schools to participate. The matter was sent back to committee for further discussion.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held January 20, 1983 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

L.B. 23

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #28) that the district support L.B. 23. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Moore

NAY: None

ABSENT: Peters

L.B. 198

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #29) to support the concept of L.B. 198 (groundwater recharge bill allowing water projects to charge fees for groundwater recharge). Seconded by Anderson. Discussion followed. Ehlers amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #30) to support L.B. 198 provided no groundwater fee be assessed until groundwater recharge has actually occurred. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Ehlers, Kaiser, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer

NAY: Anderson, Burke, Moore, White

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Dickinson, Hansen, Obermier, Ronne, Regier

ABSENT: Peters

Question called on the original motion. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Ronne, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Volkmer

ABSENT: Peters

L.B. 37

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #31) to oppose L.B. 37. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Burke, White

ABSENT: Peters

SPECIAL AREA CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Stuhr reported the NARD Board will consider the special area conservation program. The program is to target funds for land treatment activities in Southeast Nebraska, Southwest Iowa, Northwest Missouri and Northeast Kansas. The funds will be for practices and staff. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #32) to support the special area conservation program. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

ACCELERATED STATE FUNDING FOR SOIL & WATER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #33) that the district support the resolution about accelerated state funding for soil and water resource development. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Moore, Stuhr  
NAY: Andersen, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Regier  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Peters

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #34) that the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee have the authority to adopt a committee position on a bill and to testify to the same if time prevents board review. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for December, 1982. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #35) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of December 31, 1982, as presented; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #36) that the Upper Big Blue NRD work toward the concept of using part of the tax being collected for irrigated acreage for the funding of water recharge projects. Seconded by Anderson. Discussion followed. Moore made the motion (Motion #37) to send this matter to the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee for further discussion. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Peters

Meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
December 20, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Wayne Hansen, Treasurer
Ardean Andersen, Director	Bruce Anderson, Director
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Bob Ehlers, Director
Roger Kaiser, Director	Larry Moore, Director
Lowell Peters, Director	Raymond Ratliff, Director
Max Ronne, Director	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Roy Stuhr, Director	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Morris White, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Nancy Schneider, Asst. Secretary	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.	Wesley Huenefeld, Aurora, NE
Scott DeWald, Clay Center, NE	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Ed Ediger, Hampton, NE	Kent Norquest, Polk Co. SCS
Randy Mason, Fillmore County SCS	Randy Ratzliff, Northern Pump
John Ortmann, York News-Times	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published December 10, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, with Andersen and Hansen arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter Made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the November 15, 1985 board meeting as distributed. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held December 10, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

JOHNSON CREEK WATERSHED

Gary Wooten of the Saline County SCS was present at the Projects Committee meeting to convey the general status of land treatment in the Johnson Creek Watershed. Gary indicated that the South Fork of Johnson Creek has a drainage area of approximately 22,000 acres and the North Fork approximately 21,000 acres. A land treatment type project would probably consist of terraces and waterways, mechanical outlets, and some small erosion control dams. Gary indicated that an educational program in the form of conservation field days would probably generate the most success in promoting a land treatment project on this scale.

HASTINGS NORTHWEST FLOOD CONTROL STRUCTURE - DAMAGE CLAIM

White made the motion (Motion #2) that the board of directors authorize a steering committee composed of 1 staff member and 2 board members from each of the sponsoring entities for the purpose of resolving damage claims relative to Hastings N.W. Flood Control Structure. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) that Larry Moore and Ray Burke be appointed to serve on the Hastings N. W. steering committee along with one staff member. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier.  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #4) that the board of directors grant final approval to ten NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$16,606.32. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - NWCP FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #5) to grant final approval for one NWCP funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,411.21. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier.  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### EXETER DRAINAGE PROJECT - DEWATERING TEST WELL - PROPOSAL

White made the motion (Motion #6) to approve placement of four piezometers and 1 dewatering well in the Village of Exeter at a cost of \$2,500.00. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### EXETER DRAINAGE PROJECT - PAYMENT FOR GEOLOGIST

White made the motion (Motion #7) to approve payment of \$8,750.50 to Hoskins-Western-Sonderegger for geologic investigation on the Exeter Drainage Project in accordance with previous agreement. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### TURKEY CREEK FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT

The possibility of building a flood control project on the main stem of the West Fork of Turkey Creek was discussed. The board felt that the district staff should make contact with the Lower Big Blue NRD to determine possible interest in cosponsoring a flood control project on the West Fork of Turkey Creek.

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held December 11, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ADAMS COUNTY S.I.D. # 1 LATE PERMIT

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #8) that the Adams County Sanitation Improvement District #1 late permit be approved. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr,

Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

JAMES E. ASKEY LATE PERMIT

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #9) that the James E. Askey's late permit be approved. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

RUNOFF POLICY

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #10) that the irrigation runoff policy and GWCD-NRD Memorandum of Understanding be approve as distributed. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers

FLOW METER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The Water Committee had a lengthy discussion concerning the need for such a program. The staff is still waiting for some meter prices and discount information from the manufacturers of meters. When that information is received the committee will advise the board of program status.

GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT EXTENTION OF EXISTENCE

The GWCDs will cease to exist on January 1, 1987 unless legislative action is taken to extend them. The Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee is the committee responsible for formulating the NRD's stand on this issue. Since the Water Committee works with the programs dealing with the GWCDs they felt that they may want to make a recommendation to the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee. When the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee has reviewed this recommendation the matter will be brought back to the board.

EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held December 11, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

BRADSHAW PUBLIC SCHOOLS - OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DRIP IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Ronne made the motion (Motion #11) that the district fund this irrigation drip system at the rate of 50% of the actual cost, not to exceed \$170.24. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

NEBRASKA OUTSTANDING TREE FARMER AWARD

Wes Huenefeld of Aurora received the "Silver Tree Farm Certificate", presented by Scott DeWald, District Forester, for 25 years of dedication and proper management of tree resources. His tree farm near Aurora was the first in Nebraska and established in 1959.

BENEDICT PARK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make payment of \$615.30 to the Village of Benedict for the completion of their park project. Seconded by Andersen. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held December 12, 1984 and reviewed

the committee report as distributed.

#### OFFICE STAFF-SECRETARIES

Burke made the motion (Motion #13) that the Administrative Secretary position be changed to full-time and that the receptionist position be changed to part-time and further that Nancy Schneider be promoted to Administrative Secretary (Grade 11-Step 1) effective December 21, 1984. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #14) to approve payment of \$390.00 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through 11-20-84. (Landmark \$300, Mentink \$52.50, Hastings N.W. \$37.50)

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### NACD CONVENTION

Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to authorize a total expenditure of \$1,000 for the 1985 NACD Convention, with an individual maximum limit of \$500.00. Seconded by Ehlers.

Considerable discussion followed. Moore amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #16) to authorize a total expenditure of \$2,000 for the NACD Convention, with an individual maximum limit of \$500.00. Seconded by Burke. Question called on the amend Ent. Amendment failed.

AYE: Kaiser  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, White  
ABSTAIN: Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier  
ABSENT: None

Question called on the original motion as stated. Motion failed,

AYE: Ehlers, Obermier, Ronne  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Stuhr, White  
ABSTAIN: Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier  
ABSENT: None

Burke made the motion (Motion #17) to authorize up to \$1,000 per director for two directors to go to the NACD Convention. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Ronne, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Andersen, Obermier, Ratliff, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Hansen, Peters, Schlueter, Regier

Peters made the motion (Motion #18) that the district pay up to 8750.00 per director with a maximum of two directors to attend the 1985 NACD Convention. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. motion failed.

AYE: Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
ABSENT: None

Peters made the motion (Motion #19) that the district pay the actual cost of the 1985 NACD Convention for 2 directors. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried,

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Andersen, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Regier  
ABSENT: None

Anderson made the motion (Motion #20) that Roy Stuhr and Morris White be the delegates for the 1985 NACD Convention. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, White, Regier  
ABSENT: None

#### STAFF HOLIDAY LEAVE

Burke made the motion (Motion #21) to grant 3 days off with pay (not chargeable as annual leave) for all the NRD staff, to be used between December 23 and December 31, 1984, and further that the office remain open December 24, 26, 27, 28 and 31. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### TWO-WAY RADIOS

Turnbull and Stuhr met with Dick Jamros, Government Markets Division, Motorola on December 10 to discuss Motorola radio equipment. It appears that the new Motorola trunked radio system fits the districts needs at a reasonable cost. Motorola has a contract with the State of Nebraska that was obtained through competitive bidding. Political sub-divisions in the state may benefit by that contract. (The price is considerably under list and all bidding requirements have been met.) The Committee will bring a recommendation to the board in January with a firm price and a necessary equipment list.

#### BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Budget Committee meeting held December 12, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS - EXTENSION OF TIME

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #22) that the district support the Groundwater Districts extension of time to allow the Groundwater Districts to operate to January 1, 1992. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: Kaiser, Obermier, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Schlueter, White  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Peters

#### LANDMARK - BOYLE ENGINEERING PAYMENT

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #23) to approve payment of \$2,795.67 to Boyle Engineering for work through November 30, 1984 on the Platte River Model. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None

#### CHEMIGATION BILL

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #24) to support the concept of the rough draft of the Legislative Bill REQ 0276 on Chemigation, and the minor changes as discussed. Seconded by Anderson. Considerable discussion followed. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #25) to send the rough draft of Legislative Bill REQ 0276 on Chemigation back to the Budget & Legislative Committee for further consideration. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: None

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #26) to approve the financial statement and budget report

as of November 30, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Hansen

Meeting adjourned at 4:30p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
November 15, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. in the NRD Administrative office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Roy Stuhr, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Bruce Anderson, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Roger Kaiser, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Larry Moore, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Max Ronne, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published November 9, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 14 present, 3 absent with Peters and Stuhr arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Volkmer made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the October 18, 1984 board meeting as distributed. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Project Committee meeting held November 5, 1984 and November 15, 1984 and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT FUNDS - SPECIAL REQUEST

Carl Fosler, tenant, and Stanley Matzke, owner, representing the Matzke property in Seward County, requested permission to file a late application for land treatment cost-share on an erosion control dam constructed earlier this year. Application was made with the ASCS and cost-share granted, however, an application for NRD funds was never filed with the District. Mr. Fosler and Mr. Matzke indicated that it was Mr. Matzke's intent to apply for NRD cost-share assistance, but for some unknown reason the papers were never processed. If the application had been processed in the normal manner there would have been no reason not to grant the cost-share.

White made the motion (Motion #2) to approve the Matzke application for final payment on the erosion control dam in the amount of \$821.53 on the basis that intent to file for tentative approval before construction was shown. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Obermier, Ronne, Schlueter, White

NAY: Burke, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Volkmer, Regier

ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #3) to grant final approval to two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,472.21. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

LAND TREATMENT - NWCP FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #4) to grant final approval to one NWCP funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,166.94. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #5) to grant tentative approval to six NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$15,132.98. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

HASTINGS N.W. FLOOD CONTROL STRUCTURE - DAMAGE CLAIM

Neil Grothen, owner of land adjacent to the Hastings N.W. Flood Control structure, was present at the Projects Committee Meeting to submit a claim for flood damages to his corn crop, both upstream and downstream of the dam. The damage resulted from rainfall on May 25, 1984. Original plant date was May 9 and May 10 and the replant date was June 1, 1984. Mr. Grothen stated that some of the crop was inundated for as long as 4 days. Total claim submitted for both upstream and downstream damages was \$10,521.91. The claim will be reviewed for possible action at the December board meeting.

MENTINK STRUCTURE - FENCING

A letter was received from Gerald Mentink in response to Steve Seglin's letter stating the district's need to inspect the structure in accordance with our existing agreement which grants the district right of entry. Mr Mentink stated in his letter that he would cooperate with the district and allow the required inspection and maintenance. Mr. Mentink also requested that a fence be constructed around the earth dam structure to protect it from cattle grazing.

White made the motion (Motion #6) that the board authorize construction of a fence around the Mentink Dam (not including the water or wildlife area) at district expense, and that the fence be constructed to district specifications. The fence is to be constructed this fall if possible. Seconded by Anderson. Volkmer amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #7) that Mr. Mentink is to maintain the fence. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget Committee meeting held November 7, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LONG RANGE PLAN

Turnbull reviewed the draft of the FY 85- FY 90 Long Range Plan, including program priorities and budget projections. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #8) to adopt the FY 85 to FY 90 Long Range Plan as revised. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter,



Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

#### LANDMARK ECONOMIST

A consulting economist needs to be hired by the district to prepare and give expert testimony about the Landmark Project. A firm has been recommended by Boyle Engineering. That firm, Western Research of Laramie, Wyoming has submitted a proposal. The scope of services is being revised. Our attorney is scheduled to meet with and evaluate the principals involved.

#### HLADKY SETTLEMENT

An offer of \$18,000 has been made to Joe Hladky in exchange for a perpetual easement across his property. The easement would allow for temporary storage and flowage of water from the David City Airport drainage (Central Butler Project). The easement is being circulated to the sponsors for approval and signatures. It is likely that Mr. Hladky will also sign. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #9) to approve the Joe Hladky settlement of \$18,000 and perpetual easement, subject to terms and conditions of the Master Administrative Agreement for the Central Butler Water Management Project dated March 5, 1980 and the amendment thereto dated March 1, 1984. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held November 7, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #10) to approve payment of \$451.45 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through October 20, 1984. (Runoff \$15.00, Project 35-11-6 \$417.70, Landmark \$18.75.) Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff, Stuhr

#### TWO-WAY RADIOS

The FY 85 budget as adopted provides funds for a two-way radio system purchase. The radios would allow for improved coordination between the office and field activities. Survey work, construction inspection, and tree planting are the main activities that would benefit by the use of radios. Construction or survey changes often require extra trips to the field in order to straighten them out. Tree orders and planting conditions often require schedule changes. Better communication would save staff time which in time would offset the cost of the radios. Burke made the motion (Motion #11) with the intent of purchasing a two-way radio system in FY 85, to direct the staff to prepare specifications, advertise for and open bids, and make purchase recommendations to the board as soon as possible. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Ehlers, Ronne, Schlueter, White  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Stuhr gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held November 8, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### REPLACEMENT WELL SPACING

A request has been made by Burton Peters to allow the drilling of a well less than 1,000 feet from a neighbors well. Currently, Mr. Peters' well is approximately 750 feet from his neighbors well. This well was drilled prior to the establishment of the NRD's Control Area Rules and Regulations. State law requires only a 600 foot spacing between wells. Stuhr

made the motion (Motion #12) that the board adopt the following policy statement regarding the spacing requirements for replacement wells to deal with Mr. Burton Peters' situation and similar situations that may arise in the future.

"Any irrigation well drilled in the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Groundwater Control Area which replaces a well drilled prior to March 1, 1979 which is less than one thousand feet from another irrigation well under different ownership, shall be drilled no closer to the well under different ownership than the well which it is replacing." Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

#### FLOW METER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The second draft of the proposed flow meter incentive program was reviewed. The possibility of the district handling the sale of meters directly, and also the possibility of district cost-sharing on meters was also discussed.

#### RUNOFF POLICY CHANGES

The Board reviewed the first draft of the runoff policy statement which incorporates the policies adopted by the board last month. They also reviewed a first draft Memorandum of Understanding between the NRD and GWCDs. Rod has asked for the GWCDs input. When this has been received he will bring a final draft to the board.

#### BUTLER COUNTY OIL LEASES

On October 5, 1984 letters were sent to TEXACO and Magness Petroleum Company regarding rumors that lessees in Butler County were being told that oil wells that turn out to be dry holes could be used as water wells by the landowners. On October 25, 1984 a representative for these companies explained that the lessees had been told that they could negotiate for the use of dry holes for water wells. He also said there was no provision for a gravel pack or perforated casing in the fresh water aquifer. If any of these holes are used as water wells the NRD will have to address the issue of how and when a permit is to be obtained.

#### WELLS WITHOUT PERMITS

A well owned by Eldon Purdy which appeared to have been drilled prior to obtaining a permit was in fact drilled after a permit had been obtained. The reason for the misunderstanding was that the well driller's office had accidentally used the wrong information from Mr. Purdy's file when filling out the well registration papers. The well driller has provided receipts to document this.

Mr. James Askey and a representative of Nunnenkamp Well Company had expressed interest in meeting with the committee to discuss Mr. Askey's well drilled without a permit. However they did not show up for the committee meeting. Rod suggested that he be allowed to make one more contact with the well driller and Mr. Askey to try and resolve the matter.

#### GMDA CONFERENCE - SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Rod outlined the itinerary for the GMDA Conference to be held December 5 through 7 in San Antonio, Texas. He also discussed possible travel plans to and from the conference. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #13) that four board members be allowed to attend the GMDA Conference in San Antonio and that the district pay all expenses. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Ehlers

ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

#### PARKS & EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Parks and Education Committee meeting held November 13, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NOVEMBER WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #14) that the district make payment of \$6,926 to the

cooperators in the Wildlife Habitat Program for the month of November. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

STROMSBURG ARBORETUM - PARTIAL PAYMENT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #15) to make partial payment of \$329.38 to the City of Stromsburg for the work completed as of October 1984 on the Stromsburg Arboretum. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

FUNDS AVAILABLE CLAUSE - WILDLIFE CONTRACTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #16) to insert the following "funds available clause" into any future habitat contracts accepted by the district:

"The District has the right, with a 30 day written notice, to reduce the contract payment, or to cancel this contract, because of reduction in program funding by the district and/or the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. The landowner has the right to withdraw from this contract without penalty in the event of payment reduction." Seconded by Volkmer. Kaiser amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #17) that the words "district and/or" be stricken from the funds available clause. Seconded by Moore. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: Dickinson, Ronne, White  
ABSTAIN: Obermier, Schlueter, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

Moore further amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #18) to strike the words "or to cancel this contract" from the funds available clause. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

LETTER TO GAME & PARKS - HABITAT FUNDS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #19) that the district have a letter drafted and sent to the Game & Parks Commission stating that as the Game & Parks Commission decreases the habitat funds the district will sign up less acres into the program. Also, the district will not pick up the 75% of the funding presently being paid by the Game & Parks Commission. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for October, 1984. White made the motion (Motion #20) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of October 31, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Hansen, Ratliff

Meeting adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
October 18, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. in the NRD Administrative office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Max Ronne, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Leonard Schlueter, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Roy Stuhr, Director
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	Morris White, Director
Bruce Anderson, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Roger Kaiser, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Larry Moore, Director	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Lowell Peters, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
John Ortmann, York News-Times	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published October 8, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent with Moore arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Anderson made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the September 20, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Stuhr

ABSENT: Moore

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held October 1), 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

IRRIGATION RUNOFF POLICY

Ratliff reported DeBuhr handed out some alternatives to be considered as possible changes to the NRD's current irrigation runoff policy. Also invited to the meeting were the Blue River Association of GWCDs' board members. Most of the discussion centered around the need for rededication to diligently working on runoff problems. The staff was directed to draft the needed changes to current policy to incorporate proposed policy alternatives 1, 2, 5, and 6.

WELLS WITHOUT PERMITS

The committee recommended that (#1) the board of directors issue a formal complaint against Eldon Purdy of Phillips, Nebraska for the construction and operation of an illegal well in the NW3-2 of Section 19, Township 11 North, Range 7 West, Hamilton County and (#2) the board of directors issue a formal complaint against James E. Askey of Trumbull, Nebraska for the construction and operation of an illegal well in the NE1/4 of Section 11, Township 8 North, Range 9 West, Adams County. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #2) that motions #1 and #2 made by the committee concerning the issuance of formal complaints for the construction of illegal wells by Eldon Purdy and James Askey be sent back to committee. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held October 10, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### FY 84 AUDIT

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #3) to accept the FY 84 audit. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### STATE GOALS FOR WATER RESOURCE USE

Kaiser reported the latest draft of the State goals for water use was reviewed. The goals are being developed by the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission and are to be used by the Water Management Board. The committee decided to table consideration of the draft of State Goals for Water Resource Use until revisions are received from the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission.

#### BOYLE ENGINEERING PAYMENT

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #4) that Boyle Engineering be paid \$4,719.21 for work completed through August on the Platte River daily flow simulation model. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### PLATTE RIVER AGREEMENT

Both the Little Blue NRD and the Central Platte NRD have requested that this district consider entering into the Platte River Agreement. This agreement concerns the Prairie Bend, Twin Valley and Catherland irrigation projects. The agreement calls for feasibility studies on these projects, priority date change, and to support each others projects. The parties to the agreement also agree that the Prairie Bend-Twin Valley diversion point is to be moved downstream of the J-2 return to the Platte River. This district has raised an objection to that change in the Twin Valley hearing, which is not yet resolved. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #5) that the district not enter into the Platte River Agreement at the present time. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### BASIN ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE vs. TWIN VALLEY CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #6) that the district take no action on Basin Electric Power Cooperative vs. Twin Valley Conservation Association, Inc. Seconded by Burke.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held October 11, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WILDLIFE HABITAT PROGRAM

The Game and Parks Commission has notified the district to expect reductions in the level of state funding for the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program in FY 86 and future years. Mr. Edwards, of the Commission, claims these cuts are necessary because of a decline in annual income to the fund. He also stated that the Game and Parks Commission has a clause in the interlocal agreement with the NRD's that allows them to discontinue funding on existing contracts. The district does not have such a clause in its contracts with the landowners. It is felt that the district has an active habitat program that should continue at its current level of funding, and certainly not reduce the existing contracts. It is also felt the Game and Parks Commission should take the same approach. Ronne made the motion (Motion #7) to adopt Resolution 84-1 as follows: WHEREAS, the Upper Big Blue

Natural Resources District and the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission have spent eight years developing an excellent wildlife habitat improvement program, and WHEREAS, the district program insures habitat protection and improvement on 3,072 acres of land through 272 separate contracts with private landowners, and WHEREAS, the public, especially hunters and outdoorsmen, are keenly aware of the benefits of the program, and WHEREAS the Game and Parks Commission is planning reductions in its level of funding for the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program that threatens the cancellation of existing contracts, as well as restricting new sign-ups, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Board of Directors opposes any reductions in the level of funding of the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program, by the Game and Parks Commission, that will affect existing contracts or prevent the addition of new contracts. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

Ronne made the motion (Motion #8) to continue to honor the current Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program contracts at the current levels of funding. Seconded by Volkmer. Considerable discussion followed. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #9) that the matter be returned to committee for further consideration. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ronne, Volkmer

#### FY 85 TREE PROGRAM

Ronne made the motion (Motion #10) that the NRD charge 28¢ each for trees, 21¢ each for planting and 6¢ each for the spraying of trees during the FY 85 tree program. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### OCTOBER WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #11) that the district make payment of \$2,021.25 to the cooperators of the Wildlife Habitat Program for the month of October. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### SEEDING, MULCHING & FENCING - SIEBERT DAM

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that the NRD make payment of \$4,812.00 to Raymond Spader for the seeding, mulching and fencing done on the Siebert Dam located in the S1/2NE1/4 22-9-4. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### ENERGY CONSERVATION - BRADSHAW & OSCEOLA SCHOOLS

The Bradshaw and Osceola Schools have been selected by the Nebraska Forest Service as winners to obtain funding through the program "Trees for Energy" for planting of trees and shrubs on the school property which will help conserve energy for their school.

#### NEBRASKA WILDLIFE FEDERATION AWARD

Lee Morris of Benedict has been selected as the Water Conservationist of the Year by the Nebraska Wildlife Federation.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held October 15, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT FUNDS - SPECIAL REQUEST

White reported that Carl C. Fosler, tenant, was present representing Stanley C. Matzke, owner of property in Seward County, to request permission to file a late application for land treatment cost-share on an erosion control dam constructed earlier this year. Application was made with the ASCS and cost-share granted, however an application for NRD funds was never filed with the district. Mr. Fosler indicated that it was Mr. Matzke's intent that the SCS would file the required papers with the district. White made the motion (Motion #13) that the board approve the Matzke request to file a late application and that the cost-share be calculated at it would for any land treatment application filed with the district. Seconded by Ronne. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #14) to send the matter back to committee and that representatives for the SCS and Mr. Matzke be present at the next committee meeting to discuss the request. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #15) that the board grant final approval to the 13 NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$14,353.76. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - NWCP FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #16) that the board grant final approval to one NWCP funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,270.6-0. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #17) that the board grant tentative approval to two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$6,251.26. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - NWCP FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #18) that the board grant tentative approval to two NWCP funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$6,892.31. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

PROJECT 35-11-6W (GROSSHANS) - DEVELOPMENT FUND

CONTRACT White made the motion (Motion #19) that the district's chairman of the board be authorized to sign the Resources Development Fund Contract for the 35-116W Project (Contract #33), provided the contract is changed to include terms with the following intent: (1) the last point of project termination, for reasons of economic feasibility, will be prior to the award of the construction contract for the dam, (2) known costs will be submitted to the NNRC by the district prior to the award of the construction contract. The costs will include expenses to date, county road agreement, land rights settlements, and construction bids, and (3) in the event of termination for reasons of economic feasibility, the district and the NNRC will each pay 50 percent of the eligible costs incurred to date of termination. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held October 15, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

DIRECTORS' PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #20) to approve the directors' third quarter per them of \$2,085.00 and expenses of \$1,892.17. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING

Burke made the motion (Motion #21) that the November Board of Directors meeting be held at 8:00 p.m. due to the late harvest conditions. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD NOMINEE

Burke reported a letter was received from the NARD asking for suggestions of people who the governor should consider for appointment to the Water Management Board. Burke made the motion (Motion #22) that the district submit Frank Dragoun's name for the governor's list of candidates for appointment to the Water Management Board. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for September, 1984. White made the motion (Motion #23) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of September 30, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.  
AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary  
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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
September 20, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:041 p.m. in the NRD Administrative office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Morris White, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Joan Peters, Administrative Secretary
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Frank Hejna, Engineering Technician
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Dave Clabaugh, Water Dept. Asst. Mgr.
Roger Kaiser, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Lowell Peters, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co. SCS
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published September 11, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 13 present, 4 absent with Andersen, Kaiser and Ratliff arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the August 23, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee Meeting held September 10, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - L.B. 450 FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #2) that the board of directors grant tentative approval to one L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$5,903.29. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #3) that the board of directors grant final approval to two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$3,500.00. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECT 22-9-4W (SIEBERT) CONTRACTOR PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #4) that retainage in the amount of \$1,372.67, previously withheld from R. C. & N. Construction, Inc., be released for final payment. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

LANDMARK PROJECT PROGRESS PAYMENT - DATA REVIEW

White made the motion (Motion #5) that Boyle Engineering Corporation be paid \$7,485.13 for data review and analysis as part of the previously approved contract. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECT SUSPENSION

White made the motion (Motion #6) that the Blum Watershed and Turkey Creek Weir Structure projects be suspended. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECT PRIORITIES

White made the motion (Motion #7) that the following projects be designated as active with a work priority as stated: (#1) 35-11-6W (Grosshans), (#2) 27-7-3W (Pittard), (#3) 2-10-3W (Epke), (#4) 10-10-2E (Crooked Creek), (#5) 20-8-1W (Exeter), (#6) 13-9-3W (McCool), (#7) 19-9-1E (Indian Creek), (#8) 30-11-6W (Aurora), (#9) 33-13-3W (Hengelfelt), (#10) 21-11-3E (Plum Creek), (#11) 17-115W (Smith/Kaliff), (#12) 16-9-2W (Albrandt), (#13) 29-10-1E (Sleepy Hollow), and (#14) 33-9-6W (Stockham). Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECT 35-11-6W CONTRACT WITH NNRC

white made the motion (Motion #8) that the staff be authorized to negotiate terms of the contract with NNRC pertaining to withdrawal of funding. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECT 35-11-6W - LEGAL SURVEY

White made the motion (Motion #9) !that the district hire Brady Engineering Company to do the legal surveys for Project 35-11-6W (Grosshans) at a cost of \$1,773.65, providing that the NNRC contract agreement is entered into. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECT 35-11-6W - LAND APPRAISAL

White made the motion (Motion #10)that the district hire Trampe and Associates to do the appraisal work needed on Project 35-11-6W (Grosshans) at a cost of \$4,900.00, provided that the NNRC agreement is entered into. The court appearances will be at an additional cost. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

PROJECT 0 & (#1) - CONTRACTOR PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #11) that Larry Barth Construction Company be paid \$2,938.90 for maintenance work completed on the Kassik and Benson dams. Seconded by Dickinson.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held September 11, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### IRRIGATION RUNOFF

Ratliff reported that Rod DeBuhr and Mark Nannen gave reports on the runoff complaints that were reported during the 1984 irrigation season. Some of the directors expressed concern over the large amount of irrigation runoff. There was a lengthy discussion over the need to change the runoff inspection and complaint procedure. The staff will work up alternatives for the next meeting.

#### CROP WATER USE

Ratliff reported DeBuhr reviewed the 1984 report for the crop water use program. This year's program was expanded to include crop water use for soybeans and milo as well as growing degree days for all three crops.

#### FLOW METER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Ratliff reported the first draft of the flow meter incentive program was presented. This program is similar to the one the Little Blue NRD has used to get flow meters installed. A second draft will be prepared incorporating some of the committee's recommended changes.

#### JOINT MEETINGS WITH LITTLE BLUE NRD

Ratliff reported the Little Blue NRD Groundwater committee has requested that their groundwater committee and ours meet jointly once or twice a year to discuss groundwater control area regulations and policies. Ratliff made the motion (Motion #12) that the board of directors authorize the staff and Water Committee to arrange annual or semiannual joint meetings with the Little Blue NRD Groundwater Committee. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held September 11, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #14) to approve payment of \$45.00 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through August 20, 1984. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### GMDA DUES

Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to approve payment of \$100 to the Groundwater Management Districts Association for the 1985 dues. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### INVESTMENTS

Burke reported that Turnbull reviewed the current investments with the committee. Funds have been reinvested in accordance with the FY Budget, including some of the necessary transfers between the General Fund and Sinking Fund.

#### EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held September 12, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CAMP JEFFERSON BILLING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #16) that the NRD pay the Little Blue NRD \$1,560.15 for our share of the 1984 camp. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### 1984 RANGE JUDGING CONTEST

Ronne reported this year's contest was held in Seward County on September 12th with more than 50 FFA members competing. Several counties were represented. The NRD provided refreshments (less than \$50) for the day.

#### SEPTEMBER WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACT PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #17) that the NRD make habitat payments in the amount of \$2,699.33 for the month of September. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### WACO PARK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #18) to make payment of \$750.00 to the Village of Waco for additional playground equipment, grass seeding and tree planting that has been done in the recreation area. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### SMITH CREEK FISH STOCKING

Ronne, reported on September 7, 1984 the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission stocked 2,500 fingering Channel Catfish and on September 13, they stocked 25,000 Bluegill in the Smith Creek Dam.

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE TESTIMONY

Burke made the motion (Motion #19) that John Turnbull testify before the Nebraska Public Work's Committee on September 27, 1984. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Regier

NAY: Obermier

ABSTAIN: Ronne, Volkmer, White

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for August, 1984. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #20) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of August 31, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Schlueter, Stuhr

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
August 23, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:23 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	John Turnbull, General Manager
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Joan Peters, Administrative Secretary
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Rhoda Portis, Polk Co. SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Lee Draeger, Polk Co. SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Robin Zucollo, Hamilton Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	William Gilliam, York Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Larry Hansen, Utica
Roy Stuhr, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published August 13, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 16 present, 1 absent.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the July 19, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers  
ABSENT: Peters

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kaiser gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held August 9, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NARD RESOLUTIONS

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #2) that the district take a neutral stand on NARD resolution #4 - Financing of Groundwater Management Plans; further the district support NARD resolutions #1 - Compensation for Directors Expense, #2 - NACD Soil Stewardship Name Change, #3 - Implementation of L.B. 1106, #5 - Instream Flow Appropriations, #6 - Nebraska Sediment and Erosion Control Act, and #7 -Chemigation; and further at the NARD Conference to offer an amendment to #7 to include the same requirements on irrigation systems using surface water sources. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #7) that the board of directors grant final approval to the 5 NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$8,949.27. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson  
ABSENT: Peters

LAND TREATMENT - NEBRASKA SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION FUNDS - TENTATIVE APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #8) that the board of directors grant tentative approval to the 16 Soil & Water Conservation Fund applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$63,890.91. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Dickinson, Stuhr  
ABSENT: Peters

LAND TREATMENT - NEBRASKA SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION FUNDS - FINAL APPROVALS

White made the motion (Motion #9) that the board of directors grant final approval to the three Soil and Water Conservation funded cost-share applications as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$18,300.27. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Burke  
ABSENT: Peters

EXETER DRAINAGE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND MAPPING

White made the motion (Motion #10) that Hoskins, Western and Sonderegger be selected for aerial photography on approximately 12 square miles and mapping on approximately 3,200 acres for a fee not to exceed \$16,590. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

EXETER DRAINAGE GEOTECHNICAL CONSULTANT

White made the motion (Motion #11) that Hoskins, Western and Sonderegger be selected to provide geologic and testing services including: drilling, logging and casing (PVC) 12 - 6" diameter holes each for a fee of \$11.50 per foot (\$13,800), (2) drilling and logging of test holes each for a fee of \$5.25 per foot (for test holes not cased), (3) well screen for each of the Johnson PVC 12- 6" holes. Estimated length of screen per hole is 101 at a cost of \$33.00 per foot (\$3,960), (4) 2" Piezometers for pump test measurements; 4 required to an estimated depth of 75 feet at a cost of \$6.00 per foot (\$1,800), (5) pumping test including furnishing pumps, power, etc. Two tests each for a duration of 30 hours for a fee of \$60.00 per hour (\$3,600), and (6) 10 laboratory determinations of permeability, storage coefficient, and transmissivity of clay layers for a fee of \$195 each (\$1,950), for a total fee not to exceed \$25,110. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

PROJECT 22-9-4W (SIEBERT) - CONTRACTOR PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #12) that final payment be made to R.C. & N. Construction Company in the amount of \$19,805.84, for works completed between June 1, 1984 and August 1, 1984, and \$1,372.67 for retainage on payments made prior to June 1, 1984. Seconded by Volkmer. Ronne amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #13) that payment of \$19,805.84 be made to R.C. & N. Construction Company for work completed between June 1, 1984 and August 1, 1984 and to hold the \$1,372.67 for retainage until an adjustment can be made for damages to Mr. Siebert's pasture. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,



Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held August 9, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #14) to approve payment of \$208.55 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through July 20, 1984. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES BLANKET BOND - FIDELITY

Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to approve payment of \$331.00 to the York Insurance Agency for the public employees blanket bond - fidelity. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for July, 1984. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #16) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of July 31, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Peters

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary  
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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT  
July 19, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:35 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Roy Stuhr, Director
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Morris White, Director
Ardean Andersen, Director	John Turnbull, General Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Joan Peters, Administrative Secretary
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Roger Kaiser, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Larry Moore, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Lowell Peters, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dent. Manager
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mrs. Lloyd Tesar, Beaver Crossing
Max Ronne, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr.
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
John Ortmann, York News-Times	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published July 9, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 2 absent.

MINUTES

White made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the June 28, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held July 12, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

HASTINGS N.W. PAYMENT

Ronne made the motion (Motion #2) to make payment of \$5,766.22 to the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission for the Hastings N.W. Project. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

PARK REGULATION 002.01D - BOATING AND CANOEING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #3) that Regulation 002.01D read as follows: Boating and canoeing are permitted with the limitation of 5 m.p.h. (no wake). Boats, canoes and other flotation devices are restricted from enter the principal spillway area. Boating and canoeing will be in accordance with General Regulation 001.24. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

PARK REGULATION 002.02A - HUNTING AND TRAPPING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #4) that regulation 002.02A read as follows: Water fowl hunting, and trapping of fur bearers will be allowed at Smith Creek during the allowable

hunting and trapping season as set up by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, and in accordance with General Regulations 001.10A through 001.10H. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Kaiser, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: Hansen, Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Moore, Obermier, White  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

PARK REGULATIONS - SMITH CREEK SWIMMING & WADING

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #5) to allow unsupervised swimming & wading at Smith Creek in a designated area as long as the district's liability insurance covers it. Seconded by Ratliff. Discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

PARK REGULATION 001.11 -- CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #6) that Regulation 001.11 read as follows: the consumption of alcohol is prohibited on recreational areas owned or controlled by the-district. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson, Volkmer  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

SMITH CREEK RECREATION AREA & GENERAL PARK REGULATIONS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #7) that the Smith Creek Recreational. Area Regulations and the General Park Regulations be adopted as amended. Further, that these regulations go into effect August 1, 1984. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT 1984 COUNTY FAIRS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #8) that the district use the map for "You Guess the Number of Center Pivots". A prize (fishing rod and reel) will be given away at the end of the fair season when all guesses are in. There will be one prize for each county with total cost of prizes not to exceed \$150.00 (approximately \$20.00 per rod and reel set). Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

NRD-SCS CLERK WORKSHOP

Ronne made the motion (Motion #9) that an all day information workshop be held at least twice a year for the NRD-SCS clerks with the district manager, public relations department manager, NRD/SCS Liaison and State Conservationist acting as principal instructors. Seconded by Anderson. Hansen amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #10) to strike the words "all day". Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

NRD DEMONSTRATION AND EXPERIMENTAL FARM

The idea was proposed for the district to locate a willing landowner that would cooperate with the following ideas: (1) install flow meter on all irrigation pumps, (2) demonstrate that crop yields could be grown with 16" of allocated water per acre (or less), (3) install best management practices on all aspects of conservation, terraces, waterways, etc., (4) use irrigation scheduling, (5) install reuse pits and control irrigation, (6) work closely with NRD and SCS staff to demonstrate sound conservation of any other practices on this model farm. The other idea was for the district to obtain it's own property to conduct this conservation demonstration work.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held July 10, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

EXETER DRAINAGE PROJECT

White made the motion (Motion #11) that the draft agreement proposed by the Exeter Drainage Project Steering Committee be adopted. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT PROJECT 27-7-3 (PITTARD DAM) - FILLMORE COUNTY

White made the motion (Motion #12) to authorize the staff to proceed with the feasibility level analysis of Project 27-7-3. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #13) that the board of directors grant final approval to the three NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed in the amount of \$3,663.98. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

LAND TREATMENT - FY 85 BUDGETED EXPENDITURE

White made the motion (Motion #14) to reduce the land treatment budgeted expenditure for FY 85 from \$80,000 to \$60,000 and to allow the total unexpended obligation to exceed the unobligated balance by 20 percent. Seconded by Volkmer. Stuhr amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #15) to delete everything after \$60,000. Seconded by Schlueter. Considerable discussion followed. Question called on the amendment. Amendment failed.

AYE: Andersen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr  
NAY: Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Schlueter, Volkmer, White  
ABSTAIN: Peters, Regier  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

Anderson amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #16) to reduce the land treatment budgeted expenditure for FY 85 from \$80,000 to \$60,000 and to allow the annual total of tentative approvals to exceed the amount of budgeted expenditures by 20 percent. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kiaser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

Moore amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #17) to increase the land treatment budgeted expenditure for FY 85 to \$90,000 and to allow the annual total of tentative approvals to exceed the amount of budgeted expenditures by 10 percent. Seconded by White.

Question called. Amendment failed.

AYE: Moore, Ronne, White  
NAY: Andersen, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
ABSTAIN: Anderson  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

Question called on original motion as amended by motion #16. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Hansen, Kiaser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: Anderson, Moore, White  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

#### DISTRICT DRAINAGE PROGRAM POLICY

Moore requested that Motion #5 of the June 28, 1984 meeting that was held over for 30 days be discussed and voted on. White made the motion (Motion #18) that the district adopt a policy of not cost-sharing on the construction portion of either urban or rural drainage projects. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: None  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Hansen gave a report on the Executive Committee meetings held July 17, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE POLICY

Hansen made the motion (Motion #19) to approve payment of \$6,958 to the York Insurance Agency for general liability, property, equipment, auto, worker compensation and umbrella policies for the period of 7-1-84 to 7-1--85. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

#### AUGUST BOARD MEETING

Hansen made the motion (Motion #20) to set the August, 1984 board meeting for 8:00 p.m. August 23, to allow directors the opportunity to attend the Nebraska State Irrigation Tour. Seconded by Obermier. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

#### ATTORNEY'S BILL

Hansen made the motion (Motion #21) to approve payment of \$131.25 to Crosby, Quenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through June 20, 1984. Seconded by Moore. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

#### 2ND QUARTER PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

Hansen made the motion (Motion #22) to approve the second quarter per them of \$2,565.00 and expenses of \$2,268.31 for the directors. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Hansen reported the district has been informed that the Security Mutual Health Insurance premiums are going up 60%. This is due to the claims for the past 11 months exceeding the premiums by 45%. Hansen made the motion (Motion #23) that the district purchase health insurance through Blue CrossBlue Shield of Nebraska. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held July 17, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

BOYLE ENGINEERING

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #24) that the district make payment of \$8,509.06 to Boyle Engineering for previously approved planning work on the Landmark Project. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

FY 85 BUDGET

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #25) that the district's FY 85 budget lines for pro-rate motor vehicles, government sub-division aid and local property taxes combined by \$810,000. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer

NAY: Anderson, Kaiser, Moore, Ronne, Regier

ABSTAIN: White

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

Moore made the motion (Motion #26) that the land treatment line item be set at \$80,000 and the other line items be adjusted to balance with \$810,000. Seconded by White. A point of order was called. Chairman Regier ruled the motion was out of order. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #27) that the FY 85 budget hearing be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 23, 1984. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Anderson, Peters

ABSENT: Burke, Ehlers

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for June, 1984. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #28) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of June 30, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Kaiser

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 a.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

June 28, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Joan Peters, Administrative Secretary
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Ernest Becwar, Fillmore County Board
Bob Ehlers, Director	Robert L. Rayer, Clay Co. SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Sherman Lewis, State SCS Office
Larry Moore, Director	Robert Foster, Area V SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Jerry D. Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr.
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Bob Mueller, Exeter Village Board
Roy Stuhr, Director	George Erdkamp, Exeter Village Board
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published June 18, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent with Kaiser, Moore, and Peters arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Anderson made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the May 17, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore, Peters

SCS REPORT

Dick Hayes introduced the Clay County Soil Conservationist trainee, Robert Rayer. Sherman Lewis, State Conservationist was present.

NARD REPORT

Roy Stuhr gave a report on the NARD meeting held in Valentine, Nebraska on June 11, 1984. The Lower Niobrara has withdrawn their legal defense fund request.

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held June 19, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LANDMARK PROJECT

Schlueter reported the status of Boyle Engineering's work was reviewed and the need for hiring an economist and an environmental expert for work necessary for the water right hearing was discussed.

SCS FIELD OFFICE CLERKS

Schlueter reported a request for full-time clerks by Sherman Lewis, State Conservationist, was considered. A flexible schedule throughout the work year was preferred by the Committee. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #2) to approve 1,248 hours per year for the Seward, York, Polk, Hamilton, and Fillmore field offices. Seconded by Kaiser. Considerable discussion followed. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,

Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, White

#### FY 85 BUDGET

Schlueter reported the first draft of the budget for next year was presented. Areas of concern to the committee were land treatment and salaries (both too high). The Committee also felt the planned cash reserve needed to be increased.

#### PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held June 11, 1984 and the Special Projects Committee meeting held June 28, 1984 and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

#### LAND TREATMENT - NRD FUNDS - FINAL APPROVAL

White made the motion (Motion #3) to grant final approval to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,130.70. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT - ELIGIBLE PRACTICES FOR FY 85

White made the motion (Motion #4) that the following land treatment practices be eligible for cost-share with both NRD funds and Soil. & Water Conservation funds during FY 85: (1) terrace systems, (2) terrace underground outlets, (3) water impoundment dams, (4) grade stabilization structures, (5) irrigation tailwater recovery pits, (6) diversions, (7) grassed waterways, and (8) water and sediment control basins. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

#### DISTRICT DRAINAGE PROGRAM POLICY

White made the motion (Motion #5) that the district adopt a policy of not cost-sharing on the construction portion of either urban or rural drainage projects. Seconded by Dickinson. Considerable discussion followed. Moore asked that the motion be carried over for 30 days.

White made the motion (Motion #6) that the district adopt a policy of acting as lead agency, when requested by project sponsors, to administer project coordination, planning, engineering, construction, operation and maintenance, and collection and disbursement of funds. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, Moore, Schlueter

#### PROJECT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

White made the motion (Motion #7) that \$3,000 be authorized for repair of erosion damage on the Kassik and Benson Dams. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

#### PROJECT 22-9-4 (SIEBERT DAM)

White made the motion (Motion #8) that R.C. & N. Construction, Inc. be paid \$225.00, \$22.50 of which is to be held as retainage, for work completed in May, 1984 on Structure 22-9-4. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

White made the motion (Motion #9) that the board authorize the General Manager as the



Contracting Officer of Project 22-9-4 to terminate the contract with R.C. & N. Construction, Inc. of Superior, Nebraska, in accordance with terms and conditions of the contract, provided the terms of Mr. Steve Seglin's letter of June 26, 1984 and the district's letter of June 28, 1984 are not met. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

White made the motion (Motion #10) that in the event R.C. & N. Construction, Inc. is terminated on Project 22-9-4 that the staff be authorized. to negotiate with and hire another contractor to complete the project. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### EXETER DRAINAGE STUDY

White made the motion (Motion #11) that the district provide all engineering services necessary it the Exeter Drainage Study, in accordance with district policy. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### LAND TREATMENT

White made the motion (Motion #12) that the board of directors approve final payment for three land treatment applications in the amount of \$8,297.95. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

White made the motion (Motion #13) that the board of directors approve an extension for one land treatment application in the amount of \$790.50. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held June 12, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### WATER LEVEL CHANGE

Ratliff reported the weighted average change in the district's groundwater level is +1.32 feet since the spring of 1983.

#### CROP WATER USE PROGRAM

Ratliff reported the current program was reviewed. It has been expanded this year to include water use for grain sorghum and soybeans as well as corn. Growing degree days are also included for all three crops.

#### PARKS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Dickinson gave a report on the Parks and Education Committee meeting held June 14, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### CAMP JEFFERSON TEACHERS INSTITUTE

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #14) that the Upper Big Blue NRD help fund Camp Jefferson jointly with the Little and Lower Big Blue NRDs. Also, the minimum number of teachers needed to participate will be 12. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Ehlers, Ratliff, Stuhr

ABSTAIN: Kaiser

FAIRMONT PARK

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #15) to make payment of \$1,000 to the Village of Fairmont for the completion of their renovation project on the ball diamond. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Kaiser

ROBERT W. SCHMER WILDLIFE AREA

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #16) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make payment of \$118.25 for native grass seed that was planted on the Robert W. Schmer wildlife area in Clay County. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

JUNE WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #17) to make the June payments to the cooperators in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program for a total of \$15,937.05. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Moore, Schlueter

NEW WILDLIFE HABITAT CONTRACTS

Dickinson made the motion (motion #18) to accept the new wildlife habitat cooperators into the wildlife program for a total of \$2,504.50. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

SEEDING, MULCHING & FENCING AT SMITH CREEK DAM

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #19) to make payment of \$6,728.00 to Hill Sand & Gravel Company for the seeding, mulching and fencing work at Smith Creek dam. Seconded by Peters. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

TREES FOR ENERGY PROGRAM

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #20) that the district submit the proposals received from Bradshaw and Osceola Public Schools to the Governor's Trees for Energy Committee. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

PARK REGULATIONS

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #21) to adopt the Park Regulations with one change under "Abandoned Property" line item 001.10B. (That 48 hours be changed to 72 hours.) Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #22) that the public hearing be held at 8:00 p.m. on July 19, 1984 to adopt the Park Rules and Regulations. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for May, 1984. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #23) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of May 31, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held June 18, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #24) to approve payment of \$481.47 to Steve Seglin of Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for his work through May 20, 1984. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### NARD FY 85 DUES

Burke made the motion (Motion #25) to approve payment of \$8,500 to the NARD for the FY 85 dues. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier

NAY: Moore, Volkmer

ABSTAIN: Andersen, Kaiser, Ratliff, White

#### COPIER

Burke made the motion (Motion #26) to approve the Purchase of 1 new Minolta 450 Z copier with document feeder (F-11) and sorter (S-10) for \$5,063 plus trade in and tax, and enter into an annual copier maintenance agreement for \$795 per year from Eakes Office Equipment, Grand Island. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Ronne, Volkmer

#### MANAGER'S SPENDING LIMIT

Burke made the motion (Motion #27) that the district policy be changed to allow the General Manager a \$1,500 spending limit without prior board approval, provided the individual department budget line item will not be exceeded and further such limit not apply to the following budget line items: Directors' Expense, Directors' Per Diem, Employees' Benefits, Tax Collection Fees-County, Payroll Taxes, Special Projects, Project Construction Costs, Project Land Rights, Project Legal Costs, Clerical Salaries, Administrative Salaries, Technical Salaries, Maintenance & Construction Salaries, Soil Surveys, Conservation Incentive Payments for Wildlife Habitat, Land Treatment, Intergovernment Cost-Sharing, Assessment Projects, Repayment of State Funds, Land and Buildings, Note Principal, Mortgage Principal and Bond Principal.

Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: Kaiser, Moore, Ratliff

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

#### BUTLER COUNTY NRD CLERK AND TECHNICIAN

The Lower Platte North NRD has requested assistance in funding a technician and full-time clerk in Butler County through September 30, 1984. Burke made the motion (Motion #28) to deny the request of additional funds for Butler County NRD clerk and technician through September 30, 1984. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: White  
ABSTAIN: Anderson, Stuhr

FY 85 SALARIES

Burke made the motion (Motion #29) to approve Grade and Step increases as recommended and adjust the base salary schedule by 1.5% for art overall individual increase of 5%.  
Seconded by Hansen. Considerable discussion followed.

Ehlers made the motion (Motion #30) to go into executive session at 11:35 p.m. to discuss individual salaries. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
NAY: Moore  
ABSTAIN: Regier

Kaiser made the motion (Motion #31) to go back into regular session at 12:04 a.m. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,  
Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

Stuhr amended Motion #29 to make the motion (Motion #32) that all department managers' salaries be raised \$1,000 and all others, with the exception of the general manager be granted a 6% increase for FY 85 (3 1/2% step increase plus a 2 1/2% base salary schedule change). Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Dickinson, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Ratliff, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Burke, Regier

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr,  
White  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Obermier, Ratliff, Regier

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #33) to increase John Turnbull's salary by 4% for FY 85. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: Ehlers, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ronne

Burke made the motion (Motion #34) that Nancy Schneider be promoted to Grade 2, Step 9 effective July 1, 1984. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters,  
Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Volkmer

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
May 17, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:04 p.m. in the NRD Administrative office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Ardean Peters, York
Roger Kaiser, Director	Howard Anderson, York
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Bill Gilliam, York SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Gordon Kissel, NARD
Roy Stuhr, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Merlin Volkmer, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Morris White, Director	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published May 7, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 14 present, 3 absent with Anderson arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the April 19, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Moore, Peters, Ronne

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held May 7, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

White made the motion (Motion #2) that increased funding be approved in the amount of \$174.84 for one application. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

White made the motion (Motion #3) that the District's cost-share policy on NRD land treatment funds remain at 75% of estimated cost or 75% of actual cost, whichever is least, not to exceed \$3,500 per year per landowner. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

LAND TREATMENT FY 85 POLICY - SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION FUNDS

White made the motion (Motion #4) that the District's cost-share policy on Soil and Water Conservation land treatment funds be revised to be 75% of estimated cost or 75% of actual cost, whichever is least, not to exceed \$10,000 per year per landowner. Seconded by

Ratliff. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Regier  
NAY: Anderson, Burke, Kaiser, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White  
ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

HASTINGS N.W. DAM LAND SALE

White made the motion (Motion #5) that land purchased for the Hastings N.W. flood control dam and reservoir be sold in accordance with L.B. 71 fund regulations. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

FY 85 DRAINAGE PROGRAM POLICY

White made the motion (Motion #6) that the current policy of requiring beneficiaries of drainage projects to repay the district for planning and engineering costs be retained for agricultural land drainage and that repayment of district planning and engineering costs be decided on a case by case basis for urban drainage projects. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

PROJECT 10-10-2E (CROOKED CREEK) - REINSTATED

White made the motion (Motion #7) that Project 10-10-2E be reinstated as an active project and that it's priority be the same as it was when suspended. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

HASTINGS N.W. DAM EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN

White made the motion (Motion #8) that the district, acting as lead agency for the sponsors, enter into an agreement with the Soil Conservation Service for the purpose of preparing a breach routing study of the Hastings N.W. flood control dam and that the obligations of the sponsors be as follows:

(1) provide in kind services related to surveying, breach routing, map preparation and preparation of Emergency Action Plan not to exceed an estimated value of \$2,000, (2) accept all financial and other responsibilities for excess costs resulting from their failure to obtain, or delay in obtaining adequate land and water rights, permits and licenses needed for the engineering, (3) designate an individual to serve as liaison between the sponsors and SCS, with authority and responsibility for reviewing and approving changes in the work described and to furnish such information in writing to the State Administrative Officer, (4) review each phase of the work submitted and approve subject to any changes that may be required and give final approval when such recommendations have been carried out, and (5) if applicable, complete the attached "Clean Air and Water Certification" and comply with the attached "Clean Air and Water Clause". Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held May 8, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

ARDEAN PETERS WELL SPACING VARIANCE

Ratliff made the motion (Motion #9) to adopt the following resolution: WHEREAS, Mr. Ardean Peters has requested a variance to the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District Control Area Rules and Regulations (Rule 2B(2) Well Spacing), and WHEREAS, without such a variance

Mr. Peters, proposed replacement well, being approximately 700 feet from well number G-25691 currently owned in trust by the National Bank of Commerce, would be in violation of Rule 2B(2), and WHEREAS, the National Bank of Commerce has agreed to the granting of such a variance, and WHEREAS, Mr. Peters has agreed to permanently abandon his existing well number G-14507 located in the W1/2 of the SW1/4 of Section 19, Township 12 North, Range 2 West in York County, and WHEREAS, the National Bank of Commerce well number G-25691, located in the E1/2 of the SW1/4 of Section 19, Township 12 North, Range 2 West will be capped and it is unlikely that said well will be used in the future, and WHEREAS, Mr. Peters' proposed replacement well will supply water to a center pivot which will be used to irrigate both his property and the adjoining property of the National Bank of Commerce, thereby significantly reducing the total water use for the irrigation of these two properties, and WHEREAS, the Upper Big Blue NRD Control Area Rules and Regulations are intended to encourage the conservation of groundwater, NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District's Board of Directors hereby grant, according to the stipulations stated above, a variance to Rule 2B(2) -Well Spacing, to Ardean Platers of York, Nebraska for a replacement well to be located near the center of the SW1/4 of Section 19, Township 12 North, Range 2 West in York County. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr  
NAY: Andersen, Burke, Obermier, Volkmer, White  
ABSTAIN: Regier  
ABSENT: Moore, Peters, Ronne

#### CHEMIGATION

Ratliff reported that on May 7th Rod met with the Department of Environmental Control, the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission and several other NRDs to discuss possible DEC regulations and/or legislation dealing with chemigation. The group directed Clark Haberman, DEC, Gordon Kissel, NARD and Jay Holmquist, NNRC to draft legislation. The first draft should be ready by the September NARD conference.

#### LAKE HASTINGS

Ratliff reported Ron attended a meeting between the Little Blue NRD and the Hastings City Council concerning a proposed study to use city treated effluent to maintain water levels in Lake Hastings, to provide an industrial water supply and possible groundwater recharge. A request is expected for this NRD's support of the study.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held May 8, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### SCS/NRD CLERKS

Burke reported that Sherman Lewis presented a report entitled NRD/SCS CLERICAL WORKLOAD ANALYSIS. Mr. Lewis requests the NRD consider changing the clerk positions to full time. The justification is the SCS workload which, in his words, has a common goal with the NRD. Full time clerks would allow the technicians to spend more time in the field. He stated the Federal Budget does not allow him to hire clerks because of personnel ceilings and federal funds. The Executive Committee has referred this matter to the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee for advice and consideration.

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (motion #10) to approve payment of \$260.12 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through April 20, 1984. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Dickinson, Ehlers  
ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held May 10, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LANDMARK PROJECT

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #11) to accept the proposal from Boyle Engineering in

the amount of \$24,385 to provide engineering assistance on development of a daily flow model of the Platte River from Overton to Louisville, Nebraska. Seconded by Stuhr.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Obermier

#### EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Dickinson gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held May 15, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LESLIE ASSOCIATES - LANDMARK WATER PROJECT

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #12) to postpone any further contracts with Leslie Associates until a definite course can be charted by the NRD board for the future of Landmark. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne

#### 1984 FARM CONSERVATION AWARD WINNERS

Dickinson reported four award winners were chosen from a list of 14. The winners are Herbert Heine, Waco; Richard Kleinschmidt, Shickley; Charles Miller, Beaver Crossing; and Verlin Fellows, Stromsburg. These awards will be presented in 1984 at some ag related event.

#### FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVERS WINNING TEAMS

Dickinson reported the solutions to our proposed Landmark Water Project submitted by the Future Problem Solving Teams were judged by John Ortman, York News-Times; Keith Niemann, York County Extension Agent; Rod DeBuhr, Water Department Manager; and Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Manager. Plaques will be awarded to the two top teams from Nebraska and also two for best outstate entries. The Nebraska winners are Ravenna High School and Beaver City High School #2. The Outstate winners are Hoover Jr. High, Sioux City, IA #1 and John Jay Jr. High, Katonah, N.Y. #2.

#### SMITH CREEK PUMP PAYMENT

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #13) that payment of \$1,893.75 be made to Ron & Jerry's Plumbing for the pump at Smith Creek. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne

#### NRD PROMOTIONAL FLYERS

Dickinson made the motion (Motion #14) that a full four color brochure be printed by York Printing and 10,000 of these flyers be purchased by the NRD for a total cost of \$4,052.20 including 500 insert cards. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for April, 1984. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #15) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of April 30, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ronne



Meeting adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
April 19, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:04 P.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Merlin Volkmer, Director
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Morris White, Director
Norman Obermier, Secretary	John Turnbull, General. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary
Bruce Anderson, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn.
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	William Gilliam, York SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Brent L. Moore, Village of Exeter
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Lori Bristol, Village of Exeter
Max Ronne, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Roy Stuhr, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published April 9, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 2 absent with Ehlers and Kaiser arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Burke made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the March 22, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Peters, Andersen, Kaiser

REPORTS

Jerry Willhoft, Liasion D.C. gave the SCS Report. John Turnbull, General Manager reported on the trip to Washington, D.C. March 25-30, 1984. Roy Stuhr reported on current NARD activities and Larry Moore briefed the board on the NNRC activities.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held April 9, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

EXETER FLOODING PROBLEM

White reported that a group of people from Exeter and Fairmont were present at the Projects meeting to request the Upper Big Blue NRD's assistance in determining a solution to basement flooding due to increasing groundwater levels in the local perched water table. A water level recorder Well west of Exeter shows that the water table has been gradually increasing for thirty years and is now above basement floor level. White made the motion (Motion #2) to authorize the Projects Department to conduct a study of a portion of Fillmore County near Exeter and Fairmont for the purpose of identifying the extent of surface and groundwater drainage problems and to recommend a course of action for resolving the drainage problem. Seconded by Ronne. Considerable discussion followed. Stuhr amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #3) to add "Further, that a steering committee be formed to oversee and coordinate the Exeter area drainage; the steering committee to have appointed representatives from participating political sub-divisions and that the Village of Exeter and Fillmore County be encouraged to be represented. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

#### CLERK SERVICE RECOGNITION

White made the motion (Motion #4) that the board of directors officially recognizes Ruth Greene for 17 years of loyal service as district clerk in York County. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

#### EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held April 16, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NRD PARK POLICY

Ronne reported the committee discussed a new park policy that would apply to any city, town, or county within the district that wishes to apply for cost-share to build or improve a recreation area within their boundaries. Turnbull reviewed the policy with the board. Ronne made the motion (Motion #5) to adopt the parks and recreation policy, including cost-share rate, as presented. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Stuhr

ABSTAIN: Kaiser

ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

#### STROMSBURG CITY PARK PROPOSAL

Ronne reported that Barbara Cotter, Stromsburg City Clerk/Treasurer, and Mrs. Elton Peterson, representing the Stromsburg Woman's Club, presented a proposal to the committee regarding their new Midwest Park/Arboretum. Stromsburg has applied for financial assistance to build the park through the Nebraska Game and Parks Land and Water Conservation Fund. NRD funds are being requested for tree and plant material, playground equipment, signs, sidewalks, patio picnic shelters, lighting and several miscellaneous items. Ronne made the motion (Motion #6) to approve funding for the Stromsburg Midwest Park/Arboretum, Stromsburg, Nebraska, in the amount of \$2,451.45, which is 6.25% of the balance of the project estimate, provided the City of Stromsburg agrees to the terms and conditions of the NRD Parks and Recreation Program. Further, that the \$2,451.45 be placed in a Sinking Fund account, titled Stromsburg Park, with the interest earned being transferred to other accounts. Partial payments will be made from said Sinking Fund upon completion of each phase and receipt of claims. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

#### WATER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meetings held April 10 and April 19, 1984 and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

#### WELL SPACING VARIANCE

Mr. Peters requested a well spacing variance in order to irrigate two separately owned 80's with one pivot. The motion to approve this well spacing variance failed in committee. Ronne made the motion (Motion #7) to send this matter back to committee for further discussion. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White

NAY: Burke  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer, Regier  
ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

#### CHEMIGATION

Ratliff reported the Committee reviewed the chemigation report Rod prepared. The Department of Environmental Control plans to meet with several NRDs concerned with this issue and begin to formulate regulations. The Committee felt the NRD staff should participate in these meetings and encourage the incorporation of the recommended items in Rod's report. There were objections raised to recommendation number 7 of the report, therefore the Committee felt the staff should not promote this option in the talks with the Department of Environmental Control.

#### CERTIFICATION OF IRRIGATED ACRES

Approximately 94% of the active wells have been reported by the operators to date.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held April 1-0, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### 1ST QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #8) to approve the directors 1st quarter per them of \$2,730.00 and expenses of \$2,638.24. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #9) to approve payment of \$433.43 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner and Kuester for Steve Seglin's work thru March 20, 1984. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson  
ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held April 17, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### LANDMARK PROJECT

Schlueter reported the progress of the Landmark project to date was discussed. Also discussed at length were preliminary projections of the water situation in future years, with and without the project in place. The philosophy and long range goals of Landmark and allocation were also talked about at length. The general consensus of the committee was (1) they work toward the permit must continue and (2) it is necessary to review the economics of Landmark and/or -the alternative of regulation.

#### NARD LEGAL DEFENSE FUND

Schlueter reported that Stuhr, NARD Representative, asked for guidance on a recent legal defense fund request from the Lower Niobrara NRD. The case in question involves a Rural Water District administered by the Lower 'Niobrara. The district offered to buy a tract of land for a well site from Mr. Harvey Sorensen. He signed an option to buy agreement and accepted earnest money. Mr. Sorensen later backed out of the agreement at which Point the Lower Niobrara condemned the tract. It went through County Court to District Court. Several points of contention were raised in District Court, one of which is that the rural water supply wells will in the future jeopardize Mr. Sorensen's irrigation wells. The District Court awarded Mr. Sorenson \$15,000. He is appealing that decision to the State Supreme Court. Because of ramifications statewide of some of the issues in this case the Lower Niobrara has asked for assistance from the NARD Legal Defense Fund. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #10) to approve \$2,000 to be paid to the NARD Legal Defense Fund for

the Lower Niobrara vs. Sorensen court case (water preference issue). Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Obermier

ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for March, 1984. White made the motion (Motion #11) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of March 31, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Andersen, Peters

EXETER FLOODING PROBLEM STEERING COMMITTEE

Chairman Regier appointed Raymond Ratliff and Roy Stuhr to represent the Upper Big Blue NRD on the Exeter Flooding Problem Steering Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
March 22, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Joan Peters, Administrative Secretary
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Ardean Andersen, Director	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jerry Witkowski, University of NE
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Mike Lorenz, Saline Co. SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jay Rezek, Saline Co. SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Rhoda Portis, Polk Co. SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Mike Pegler, Seward Co. SCS
Max Ronne, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Kent Norquist, Polk Co. SCS
Roy Stuhr, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co. SCS
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Keith Niemann, York Co. Extension
Morris White, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. of GWCDs
John Turnbull, General Manager	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published March 12, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present with Andersen, Kaiser, and Volkmer arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the February 16, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Ehlers, Moore, Ratliff, Ronne  
ABSENT: Andersen, Kaiser, Volkmer

CHEMIGATION PRESENTATION

John Witkowski of the University of Nebraska - Lincoln gave a slide presentation on the pros and cons of chemigation.

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held March 12, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

White made the motion (Motion #2) to grant tentative approval to the 13 NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$22,894.23. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - L.B. 450 FUNDS

White made the motion (Motion #3) to grant tentative approval to the 1 L.B. 450 funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$8,399.50. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

PROJECT 4-11-7W (MONROE TOWNSHIP DRAINAGE)

White made the motion (Motion #4) that a Special Improvement Project Area, for the purpose of planning and constructing drainage improvement facilities on and around Section 4, Township 1.1 North, Range 7 West of Hamilton County, not be established and that bids for aerial photography received on February 29, 1984 not be accepted by the District's board based on evaluation of testimony from the public hearing held February 23, 1984. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

PROJECT 20-9-3W (SNIDER DRAINAGE)

White made the motion (Motion #5) that a request by Tom Snider for engineering assistance to plan improvements to an existing drainage way near Lushton be approved contingent upon the following: (1) All agreements, easements and grants of permission to-construct and enter upon properties be obtained by Mr. Snider prior to the District beginning planning and (2) Mr. Snider or Meyer's Management (trust agent) be obligated to pay for the District's engineering costs in accordance with District Policy if the proposed improvements are not constructed. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Stuhr

PROJECT 10-10-2E (CROOKED CREEK)

White made the motion (Motion #6) that the board of directors suspend Project 10-10-2E (Crooked Creek). Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

DORCHESTER WATERSHED OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

White made the motion (Motion #7) that the board of directors approve expenditure of \$1,150.00 for clearing trees and brush from Channel #3 and installation of a culvert inlet for Channel #1 of the Dorchester PL566 Watershed Project. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser

EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held March 13, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

MARCH WILDLIFE PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #8) that the NRD make payment of \$5,015.00 to the March cooperators in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: White

COST-SHARE ON PARKS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #9) that the district fund 6.25% of the actual project cost, not to exceed 6.25% of the estimated project cost upon completion of the project. Seconded by Ehlers. Discussion followed. Anderson amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #10) to add "pending board approval of the plans". Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on

the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: White

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: White

#### NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVERS

Ronne reported several teams from across the country worked on our Landmark Project as a topic to try to solve "real life problems". Their answers were due March 1st and the NRD has agreed to act as judge for this contest and also provide awards. Ronne made the motion (Motion #11) that the NRD provide some type of awards for the National High School Future Problem Solvers with costs not to exceed \$50. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen  
ABSENT: White

#### 1984 SOIL STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Ronne made the motion (Motion #12) that the NRD participate in Soil Stewardship Week by providing church bulletin inserts on a voluntary basis, with costs not to exceed \$200. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: White

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held March 12, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #13) to approve payment of \$1,400.45 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner and Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through February 20, 1984 and to approve payment of \$266.72 to Cockle Printing Company for printing of a law brief. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: Ronne  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson, Volkmer  
ABSENT: White

#### EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Burke reported the district does not have a policy for educational assistance for its employees. However, -the Executive Committee has discussed the need for such a policy from time to time. The Executive Committee has received a request for educational assistance this month. The Committee feels a policy should be adopted in the near future. The following should be considered in an educational assistance policy: (1)Assistance for higher education in a field mutually beneficial to the employee and district, (2) Financial assistance for tuition but not travel or living expenses, (3)Financial assistance be committed for entire academic program contingent on successful completion of each term, (4) Employee is to complete educational work on own time not district time. Normal work requirements (hours and performance) still must be met, (5) Employee is to agree to repay the district by remaining an employee for a minimum of six months for each academic semester financed by the district, and (6) Assistance not be in lieu of salary, benefits, or raises.

Burke reported that Jeff Ball, Engineering Technician, has requested assistance for a



correspondence course. The course he is pursuing will prepare him to be a registered Civil Engineer. He currently holds an Associate Degree front the Technical School at Curtis, Nebraska. The course of study is a two year course through International Correspondence Schools, Scraton, Pennsylvania, which will prepare him to take the Professional Engineer's Examination.

Burke made the motion (Motion #14) to approve financial education assistance in the amount of \$689.00 for one semester's tuition to International Correspondence Schools for Jeff Ball to study Civil Engineering Technology, provided he agrees to: (1) Complete educational work an own time, (2)work six months for the district upon completion of the semester's work,(3) repay the district \$689.00 if the semester is not successfully completed or if the course work is terminated, (4) assistance is not in lieu of salary or portions thereof, raises or other benefits. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen, Volkmer  
ABSENT: White

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for February, 1984. Ehlers made the motion (Motion #15) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of February 29, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Dickinson  
ABSENT: White

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary  
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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
February 16, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	John Turnbull, General Manager
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Joan Peters, Administrative Secretary
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Rodney DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Rhoda Portis, Polk Co. SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Robin Zucollo, Hamilton Co. SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Kent Norquest, Polk Co. SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Ray Griffin, Mayor of Aurora
Max Ronne, Director	Mike Rabbe, Fillmore Co. SCS
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay Co. SCS
Roy Stuhr, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Manager
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Malvin Russell, Marquette
Morris White, Director	John Ortmann, York News-Times

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published February 6, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 15 present, 2 absent with Andersen and Moore arriving later in the meeting.

MINUTES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #1) to approve the minutes of the January 19, 1984 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Raiser, Obermier, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Ehlers, Moore, Ratliff, Ronne

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held February 6, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

White made the motion (Motion #2) to grant final approval -to the one NRD funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$1,885.54. Seconded by Anderson., Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Andersen, Ehlers, Moore, Ratliff

HASTINGS N.W. PROJECT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

PLAN DeBuhr reviewed the Emergency Preparedness Plan for the Hastings N.W. Project with the board. White made the motion (Motion #3) that the Board of Directors give approval for the Emergency Preparedness Plan for the Hastings N.W. Flood Control Structure. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Ratliff

EDUCATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held February 13, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

MARQUETTE PARK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #4) that the Upper Big Blue NRD fund the park project for the Village of Marquette at a rate of 12.5% of the preliminary estimated cost of \$36,000, not to exceed \$4,500. Seconded by Dickinson. Considerable discussion followed. Stuhr amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #5) to add "upon approval of local and federal or state funds." Seconded by Kaiser. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Andersen

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Ratliff

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Andersen

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Ratliff

BENEDICT PARK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #6) that the Upper Big Blue NRD fund the park project for the Village of Benedict at a rate of 12.5% of the preliminary estimated cost of \$5,100, not to exceed \$637.50 upon approval of local and federal or state funds. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Moore, Ratliff

PUBLIC ACCESS PAYMENT

Ronne reported that an increase from \$2.50 per acre to \$5.00 per acre for public access on Wildlife Habitat areas was discussed. Ronne reported that the committee felt the public access payment should be left at \$2.50 per acre as presently stated in the agreement between the NRD and the Game and Parks Commission. Discussion followed. Kaiser made the motion (Motion #7) that the Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District increase their public access payment from \$2.50 per acre to \$5.00 per acre. This increase will affect only the new contracts when funds become available. The Game and Parks Commission will cost-share 75% of the \$5.00 payment. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Hansen, Kaiser, Peters, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: Burke, Dickinson, Obermier

ABSTAIN: Moore, Ronne, Volkmer

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

HASTINGS N.W. PROJECT LEASE - LLOYD SCHROEDER

Ronne made the motion (Motion #8) that the lands lying north of the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way located in the S1/2 of Section 34, Township 8 North, Range 10 West be leased to Lloyd Schroeder for the sum of \$2,500 for the time period from March 1, 1984 to March 1, 1985. This land is classified as dryland farm ground with a total of 50 acres that are farmable. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Stuhr

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

HASTINGS N.W. PROJECT LEASE - GLENN R. BERG

Ronne made the motion (Motion #9) that the lands located in the NE1/4 of Section 34, Township 8 North, Range 10 West be leased to Glenn R. Berg for the sum of \$4,650 for the time period from March 1, 1984 to March 1, 1985. This land is classified as dryland farm ground with a total of 93 acres that are farmable. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called.

Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Stuhr  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

FEBRUARY WILDLIFE HABITAT PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #10) that the Upper Big Blue NRD make payment to the February Wildlife Habitat cooperators in the amount of \$10,685.25. 75% is paid by the Game and Parks Commission. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Andersen  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

KRVN TREE PROGRAM

Ronne made the motion (Motion #11) that the District provide 300 trees, planting and spraying to a winner, chosen by the KRVN staff, within the Upper Big Blue NRD. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

1984 CAMP JEFFERSON

Ronne reported the committee discussed the status of the 9th Annual Teachers Environmental Workshop and decided the NRD should continue support of the camp. This year's camp will be opened to all teachers state-wide in an effort to get better participation. Costs will be \$125 for each teacher plus the actual cost of three hours college credit through UN-L. All other expenses are covered by a grant from the three sponsoring NRDs. Ronne made the motion

(Motion #12) that the Upper Big Blue NRD support Camp Jefferson and, bear one-third of the overall cost as we have done in the past. Further, the District shall participate financially only if the camp has at least 16 teachers enrolled. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

Ronne made the motion (Motion #13) that the NRD pay expenses (not to exceed \$125) for Seward Science Teacher Jim Landon to act as a guest instructor at Camp Jefferson this year. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

SALE OF VTR EQUIPMENT

Ronne reported the committee discussed the sale of our now surplus VTR equipment to the Fillmore County Extension Service for \$800. This would include the RCA video color camera, portable video recorder and timer/charger, camera carrying case and camera tripod. Ronne made the motion (Motion #14) that the District sell the video camera and related equipment for \$800 to the Fillmore County Extension Service. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meetings held January 27, 1984 and February 13, 1984 and reviewed the committee reports as distributed.

#### LEGISLATIVE BILLS

Schlueter reported several Legislative bills were reviewed. The committee supports L.B. 682 and continues to oppose certain aspects of L.B. 1106. Stuhr was directed to testify on L.B. 1106. Considerable discussion was held on the bill. Burke made the motion (Motion #15) to authorize the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee to develop the District's position on L.B. 1106 and companion bills, and to present same to the Legislature prior to the next Board of Directors meeting. Further, that in the event the Budget, Planning and Legislative Committee cannot convene in time. that Larry Moore and Roy Stuhr be authorized to act on behalf of the District. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held February 13, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### NARD VOTING DELEGATES

Burke made the motion (Motion #16) to appoint Roy Stuhr as the Upper Big Blue NRD voting delegate to the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts for the calendar year 1984, with Ray Ratliff as the alternate. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Schlueter

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #17) to approve payment of \$447.62 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work through January 20, 1984. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier

NAY: Dickinson

ABSTAIN: Volkmer

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

#### NARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Burke made the motion (Motion #18) that the Board of Directors support Roy Stuhr for the position of Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the NARD. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

#### TREE PLANTING EQUIPMENT TRAILER

Burke reported it is necessary to change trailers for the tractor and tree planter. The staff recommended that a new gooseneck 14,000 lb. double axle trailer be purchased from Evans-Plugge Company, Inc. of Columbus, Nebraska. The Evans-Plugge trailer most closely matches the District's needs. Burke made the motion (Motion #19) to purchase one model T14TD-3 trailer from Evans-Plugge Company, Inc. of Columbus, Nebraska for \$4,652.00 plus tax. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #20) to offer the present trailer owned by the district for sale to the highest bidder. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for January, 1984. White made the motion (Motion #21) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of January 31, 1984; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Burke. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None  
ABSENT: Ehlers, Ratliff

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

NACD CONVENTION REPORTS

Merlin Volkmer, Leonard Schlueter, Ken Regier and Stan Staab attended the NACD Annual Convention in Denver, Colorado February 5-9, 1984. Each gave a report on the meetings and workshops they attended at the convention. The NACD Regional Meeting will be held June 13-15, 1984 in Cody, Wyoming.

Meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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MINUTES  
UPPER BIG BLUE NRD  
January 19, 1984

A regular board of directors meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. in the NRD Administrative Office Building Board Room, 105 Lincoln Avenue, York, Nebraska.

PRESENT

Kenneth Regier, Chairman	Jay Bitner, District Engineer
Raymond Burke, Vice-Chairman	Ken Feather, Parks Dept. Manager
Wayne Hansen, Treasurer	Stan Staab, Public Info. Dept. Mgr.
Norman Obermier, Secretary	Rod DeBuhr, Water Dept. Manager
Ardean Andersen, Director	Mark Nannen, Blue River Assn. Mgr.
Bruce Anderson, Director	Leroy Johnson, Farmers COOP
Douglas Dickinson, Director	Rhoda Portis, Polk Co. SCS
Bob Ehlers, Director	Jerry Willhoft, Hamilton Co. SCS
Roger Kaiser, Director	Kent Norquest, Polk Co. SCS
Larry Moore, Director	Ken Franzen, Adams Co. SCS
Lowell Peters, Director	Shanda Weber, Adams Co. SCS
Raymond Ratliff, Director	Brad Cochran, Dow Chemical
Max Ronne, Director	Bruce Manke, Dow Chemical
Leonard Schlueter, Director	Randy Ratzlaff, Northern Pump & Irrig.
Roy Stuhr, Director	Bill Gilliam, York Co. SCS
Merlin Volkmer, Director	Dick Hayes, Clay Co. SCS
Morris White, Director	Keith Niemann, York Co. Extension
John Turnbull, General Manager	John Ortmann, York News-Times
Joan Peters, Admin. Secretary	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A copy of the agenda was sent to each member as a notice of this public meeting. Public notification was made by a "Notice of Public Meeting" published January 9, 1984 in the York News-Times. A current agenda is kept on file for public inspection at the district office.

Roll call was taken of the members present. 17 present, 0 absent, with Kaiser arriving later in the meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #1) to accept written nominations for the appointment of each officer and to vote for each by written ballot if more than one person is nominated. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Obermier, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: Ehlers, Hansen, Moore

ABSTAIN: Peters

ABSENT: Kaiser

Ballots were distributed to each director. Chairman Regier appointed Jay Bitner and Stan Staab to tally votes.

Chairman Regier called for written nominations for the office of Chairman. Those nominated for the office of Chairman were Ratliff, Peters, Andersen and Regier. Ratliff, Peters and Andersen declined the nomination. Peters made the motion (Motion #2) to cast an unanimous ballot for Ken Regier as Chairman. Seconded by Stuhr. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White

NAY: None

ABSENT: Kaiser

ABSTAIN: Regier

Chairman Regier called for written nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman. Those nominated for the office of Vice-Chairman were Peters, Burke, White, Ronne and Ratliff. White and Ronne declined the nomination. After a count of ballots, the result was announced as: Burke 8 votes, Ratliff 6 votes, Peters 3 votes. Peters withdrew his name

from the election. A second vote was taken with the results being Burke 8 votes, Ratliff 8 votes, 1 abstention. A third vote was taken with the results being Burke 8 votes, Ratliff 8 votes, 1 abstention. A fourth vote was taken with the results being Burke 9 votes, Ratliff 8 votes. Burke will serve as Vice-Chairman.

Chairman Regier called for written nominations for the office of Secretary. Those nominated for the office of Secretary were Ronne, Ehlers, Stuhr, Dickinson and Obermier. Ronne, Ehlers, Stuhr, and Dickinson declined the nomination. White made the motion (Motion #3) to cast an unanimous ballot for Norman Obermier as Secretary. Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Obermier

Chairman Regier called for written nominations for the office of Treasurer. Those nominated for the office of Treasurer were Ronne, Andersen, Ehlers, Hansen and White. After a count of ballots, the result was announced as Ronne 5 votes, Andersen 0 votes, Ehlers 4 votes, Hansen 6 votes and White 1 vote. A second vote was taken with the results being Ronne 5 votes, Ehlers 4 votes, Hansen 7 votes. Ehlers withdrew his name from the election. A third vote was taken with the results being Hansen 9 votes, Ronne 8 votes. Hansen will serve as Treasurer.

#### MINUTES

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #4) to approve the minutes of the December 15, 1983 board of directors meeting as distributed. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

#### NARD REPRESENTATIVE & ALTERNATE, REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nominations for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Representative. Ehlers nominated Roy Stuhr. Moore made the motion (Motion #5) that nominations cease and an unanimous ballot be cast for Roy Stuhr. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Stuhr

#### NARD ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE

The floor was opened for nominations for the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Alternate Representative. Stuhr nominated Raymond Ratliff. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #6) that nominations cease and an unanimous ballot be cast for Raymond Ratliff. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Ratliff

#### BUDGET, PLANNING & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Schlueter gave a report on the Budget, Planning & Legislative Committee meeting held January 17, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### PESTICIDES & FERTILIZERS THROUGH IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

Schlueter reported the committee discussed the pros and cons of laws/regulations preventing or restricting the use of pesticides and fertilizers through center pivots. The concern is of groundwater contamination through misuse or mechanical failure of the injection equipment. No bill on the subject is before the Legislature at this time and none will be possible unless through amendment this session. Schlueter reported the committee did not have enough information in order to make a solid recommendation, therefore the committee directed the District's Water Department staff to research the issue and report back to the Committee.



LEGISLATIVE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Schlueter made the motion (Motion #7) that the district supports L.B. 861, L.B. 984, L.B. 985 and L.R. 224 and authorizes the staff to provide testimony if necessary. Seconded by Ehlers. Considerable discussion followed. Kaiser amended the motion to make the motion (Motion #8) that groundwater recharge be included in L.R. 224 before the district supports it. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called on the amendment. Amendment carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

Question called on the original motion as amended. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

HYDROLOGIST FOR LANDMARK

Schlueter reported the staff has requested and received two proposals from engineering consulting firms. The proposals are for reviewing existing data, preparing for and presenting expert testimony at the water right hearing for the District's Platte River diversion applications. Schlueter made the motion (Motion #9) to accept the Boyle Engineering proposal at a base price of \$15,902. Seconded by Hansen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: White

L.B. 1106

Moore made the motion (Motion #10) that this district go on record as opposing L.B. 1106 and that the staff send a letter to the Public Works Committee to that affect. Seconded by White. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT

White gave a report on the Projects Committee meeting held January 9, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE PROJECT

White made the motion (Motion #11) that based on requests for engineering assistance from persons affected by flooding and based on a petition with approximately 30 signatures requesting engineering assistance, it is recommended that the board of directors authorize the district staff to proceed with development of a Special Improvement Project Area and feasibility study to identify alternative solutions to the flooding problems in Townships 11 and 12 North, Range 7 West in Hamilton County. Further, that a public hearing be held on February 23, 1984 to discuss the establishment of such a Special Improvement Project Area. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - NRD FUNDS

White made the motion (motion #12) that the board of directors grant final approval to the two NRD funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$6,829.90. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - TENTATIVE APPROVAL - SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM FUND

White made the motion (Motion #13) that the board of directors grant tentative approval to the two Soil & Water Conservation Program funded cost-share applications, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$8,425.10. Seconded by Ehlers.

Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

LAND TREATMENT - FINAL APPROVAL - SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM FUND

White made the motion (Motion #14) that the board of directors grant final approval to the one Soil and Water Conservation Program funded cost-share application, as submitted and reviewed, in the amount of \$4,518.49. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

CENTRAL BUTLER PROJECT PROGRESS PAYMENT

White made the motion (Motion #15) that the board of directors approve a progress payment of \$18,376.38 as the district's share for work completed on the Central Butler Project. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Ratliff gave a report on the Water Committee meeting held January 10, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

NRD GROUNDWATER SITUATION

Ratliff reported that Rod reviewed the history of groundwater development in the NRD area and discussed the staff's findings concerning the 2.30 feet water table rise of last year. The staff, after study of the Conservation and Survey Division's groundwater model data and simulating the well drawdown and recovery time through a computer model, feel that the rise recorded last spring was a true rise and not caused by recovery of the well drawdown which may have existed in previous years. The committee also reviewed the Control Area Regulation procedure which would trigger allocation.

EDUCATION & PARKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ronne gave a report on the Education and Parks Committee meeting held January 10, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

JANUARY WILDLIFE PAYMENTS

Ronne made the motion (Motion #16) that the District make payment of \$7,300.75 to the cooperators in the Wildlife Habitat Program for January, 1984. Seconded by Andersen. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

PARK REGULATIONS FOR SMITH CREEK

Ronne made the motion (Motion #17) to have a sign posted at Smith Creek with the regulations that the district wishes the public to follow. The regulations are as follows: (1) No open fires except in places provided, (2) All pets must be on a leash, (3) Hunting or the use of firearms is prohibited, except from Labor Day to April 1 and only in designated areas, (4) Vehicles permitted only on roadways and parking areas, (5) Boating in excess of 5 m.p.h. (no wake) is prohibited, (6) Drinking of alcoholic beverages is prohibited, (7) Swimming prohibited. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

LESLIE ASSOCIATES FINAL BILLING

Ronne made the motion (Motion #18) that the district pay Leslie Associates \$2,359.48 as final payment for services regarding the Landmark Water Project. Seconded by Kaiser. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Regier  
NAY: White  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer

#### LANDMARK WATER PROJECT PUBLIC RELATIONS STRATEGY

Ronne made the motion (Motion #19) that the board approve the strategy outline by Leslie Associates as amended. Seconded by Volkmer. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Moore, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: Ehlers  
ABSTAIN: Hansen, Kaiser, Obermier

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Burke gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting held January 17, 1984 and reviewed the committee report as distributed.

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

Burke made the motion (Motion #20) to approve payment of \$321.25 to Crosby, Guenzel, Davis, Kessner & Kuester for Steve Seglin's work thru December 20, 1983. Seconded by Anderson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, White, Regier  
NAY: Dickinson, Volkmer  
ABSTAIN: Ratliff

#### 4TH QUARTER PER DIEM & EXPENSES

Burke made the motion (Motion #21) to approve the 4th quarter per them of \$1,230.00 and expenses of \$1,616-86. Seconded by Ronne. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, White, Regier  
NAY: None

#### FM TWO-WAY RADIOS

Burke reported that bids have been received for a two-way radio system. The bids are based on: FM 400-512 MHZ, 4 mobile units, 1 base, repeater rental, horn signal devices (options 3) and handsets (option 4) instead of microphones. Burke made the motion (Motion #22) to accept the bid of \$5,533 from Best Communications of Lincoln for the FM two-way radio system, including options 3 and 4. Seconded by Moore. Discussion followed. Andersen made the motion (Motion #23) to table Motion #22.

Seconded by Schlueter. Question called. Motion failed.

AYE: Andersen, Schlueter  
NAY: Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Ratliff, Stuhr, White, Regier  
ABSTAIN: Peters, Ronne, Volkmer

Question called on the original motion. Motion failed.

AYE: Burke, Dickinson, Moore  
NAY: Andersen, Anderson, Ehlers, Hansen, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Stuhr, White  
ABSTAIN: Kaiser, Schlueter, Volkmer, Regier

Stuhr made the motion (Motion #24) to reject all bids. Seconded by Ratliff. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Morris White  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: Regier

Moore made the motion (Motion #25) that the Executive Committee pursue the communications network further including both the phone options, and the radio options and report back with bids and a recommendation. Seconded by Dickinson. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Anderson, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier,

Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, White, Regier  
NAY: Stuhr  
ABSTAIN: Volkmer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REPORT

Turnbull reviewed the financial statement and budget report for December, 1983. Stuhr made the motion (Motion #26) to approve the financial statement and budget report as of December 31, 1983, as amended; to make payment of the accounts payable and approve the expenditures for publication. Seconded by Ehlers. Question called. Motion carried.

AYE: Andersen, Burke, Dickinson, Ehlers, Hansen, Kaiser, Moore, Obermier, Peters, Ratliff, Ronne, Schlueter, Stuhr, Volkmer, Regier

NAY: None

ABSENT: Anderson, White

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Norman Obermier, Secretary

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