#### **MINUTES**

# Middle Republican Natural Resources District Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Curtis, Nebraska

Board Members Present: Joe Anderjaska, Daniel Nelsen, Benjie Loomis, Jay Schilling, Shane Rippen, Tracy Zink, Kevin Fornoff, Travis Rousselle, Rick McConville

**Board Members Absent**: Jolene Messinger

NRD Staff: Jack Russell, Alex Boyce, Sylvia Johnson and Stacie Owens

**NRCS Staff:** Jason Kennedy

Others:

### **Information Mailed to Directors:**

Regular Meeting Agenda Regular Meeting Minutes
Financial Report Profit vs Loss Budget vs Actual

Civil Rights Handout Surface Water Reports

Legislative Updates` Legal Bills

# **Information Distributed at Meeting:**

Thad Kuntz from Longitude 103 was introduced and he provided a quick presentation on what he and his brothers' company do and services provided.

### **REGULAR MEETING**

- 1. The regular monthly board meeting was called to order by Chairman Zink at 10:00 a.m.
  - a. Verify Quorum.
  - b. Excused Absences.
  - Fornoff moved to excuse the absence of Messinger due to emergency root canal.

    Seconded by Loomis.

Ayes - 9 Nays -0 Motion Carried

- **2.** The agenda and roster were circulated to those present.
  - a. Items added to the Agenda since mailing: None.
- 3. Notice of the regular monthly meeting was published in the **North Platte Telegraph** and the **McCook Daily Gazette** and was posted at the **MRNRD Office** and on the District website at **www.mrnrd.org.** As a courtesy it was also provided to local radio stations. Guests should also note the location of a current copy of the statutes dealing with public meetings and the booklet with the information provided to directors.

- **4.** The Minutes for the February Regular Board Meeting were mailed to Directors.
  - ♦ Anderjaska moved to approve the minutes of the February Regular Board Meeting. Seconded by Schilling.

Ayes - 8 Nays -0 Abstain - McConville Motion Carried

# 5. FINANCIAL ACTIONS

**A.** The February Financial Report was presented by Russell. The taxes received were \$301,508.64.

♦ Schilling moved to approve the February Financial Report. Seconded by Fornoff.

Ayes - 9 Nays -0 Motion Carried

A copy of this report is filed with the Minutes.

- **B.** Accept Audit
- Anderjaska moved to accept audit as presented at the February meeting. Seconded by Loomis.

Ayes - 9 Nays -0 Motion Carried

### 6. OPEN FORUM

None.

### 7. MANAGER'S REPORT

**A. PUBLICATION OF BLANENAU LETTER.** Since briefs are still being filed it was decided not to publish anything at this time.

- **B. DATABASE MANAGEMENT.** Russell went over meetings and steps that have been taken to seek out a company to rebuild the database.
- **C. ALEX'S REPORT.** Boyce gave a report on his trip to Israel and provided a visual presentation.

### 8. PROGRAMS & PERSONNEL

Need goals from board members turned in. Will go over a summary of all next month. Items discussed related to capitalization policy, database management, COLA and vehicles. Further meeting to be held prior to next board meeting.

#### 9. NRCS – KENNEDY

Kennedy reported on work load and program updates.

### 10. NARD - ANDERJASKA

Working on budget numbers for the June final approval and staffing issues.

11. NRC – FORNOFF Changed application period from July to March.
12. NSIA – SCHILLING. Last meeting was in January.
13. N-CORPE - LOOMIS  Nothing new to report at this time.
14. LEGAL MATTERS Discuss during executive session.
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION None.
Exited at 11:52 a.m.
The Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the MRNRD office in Curtis.
The meeting was adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Stacie M. Owens, Board Secretary