

Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 29, 2018 9:30 AM
Lower Platte North NRD Office
P.O. Box 126
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1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1.A. Off Site Water Table Concerns Near Sand Creek

Nothing new as of 3-28-18

1.B. Murren Lawsuit

Nothing new as of 3-28-18

2. MEETINGS

2.A. Pending

2.A.1. UNL Water Tour - June 26-29

The 2018 UNL Water Tour will visit the US Bureau of Reclamation's North Platte irrigation project in Wyoming - including Pathfinder and Seminoe reservoirs as well as points of interest in Colorado and Nebraska. The tour dates have been set for June 26-29 and will likely begin and end in Holdrege. This tour fills up fast any Director interested should let staff know.

2.B. Reports

2.B.1. Congressional Visits and NARD Washington DC Meeting

Chairman Birkel, Director Saalfeld, Mountford and Gottschalk attended the annual NARD Washington D.C. conference. Arriving early allowed the opportunity to meet with Water Strategies and the offices of Senator Fischer, Congressman Fortenberry and the NRCS National office. These one on one meetings provide LPNNRD an excellent opportunity to present information on our current projects and provide feedback on federal programs that are benefiting our District and the importance of continued funding.

The NARD portion of the trip began Monday morning and over the next two days representatives from Water Strategies, NRCS, NACD, Army Corp. of Engineers and other Federal agencies updated the group on current issues. Joe, Dave and Tom can provide further information on the trip.

3. MANAGEMENT ITEMS

3.A. Directors Absence

3.B. Monthly Education Program

3.C. Lower Platte Weed Management Area - LPWMA

Over the past few months, the LPWMA has had extensive discussion regarding reorganization of the group. Papio NRD has administered the group in the past but the group's administration is being transitioned to Lancaster County. The new contract is attached and has been reviewed by our attorney with no concerns. Because of the new administrator, LPSNRD is questioning the need for NRD's to be contracted members. Gottschalk will be in contact with LPSNRD and Papio NRD and work to come to an agreement so all NRD's will proceed in a similar manner.

3.D. Water Strategies Report

3.E. LARM Payment - Deductible

Attached find a letter from John Mullarkey, LARM requesting our \$1,000 deductible payment for coverage on the Ourada settlement.

3.F. WS/CC - Segment 5 - Big Sandy

In October 2015 the District made payment of \$44,300 to the COE for excavation of material from Big Sandy Lake that was not covered under the COE contract. The District requested payment from Big Sandy Homeowners Association to cover this cost. On February 15, 2018 the District was notified by the COE that the final cost of excavation totaled \$39,580, so a refund of \$4,720 was sent to the NRD. This amount needs to be returned to Big Sandy Homeowners Association.

3.G. Lake Wanahoo development plans

- 1) Discussion and possible action to proceed with plans to construct education building on East side of the lake and to develop primitive camping sites on Pork Chop island.
- 2) Discussion and possible action to add Wanahoo Park Supervisor responsibilities to LPNNRD staff member Bret Schomer for the remainder of 2018 at a salary increase of \$ 307.69 per pay period. (\$ 8,000 annually which is \$ 6,000 for the balance of 2018)
- 3) Discussion and possible action to hire Summer part-time Lake Wanahoo position, up to 30 hours per week.

4. EQUIPMENT

Discussion and possible action to move forward with 2018 Lake Wanahoo Park equipment purchases as discussed.

- Boat
- Utility vehicle
- mower
- handheld equipment (chain saw, weed eater, sprayer)

5. PERSONNEL

5.A. General Manager

5.B. Update Position Titles

5.C. Organizational Structure

5.D. Information and Education Department Head

5.E. Administrative Assistant Departmental Head

6. FINANCE

6.A. Approval of Financial Reports

Grant was available for a conference call at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the Financial Statements.

6.B. Approval of Managers Time and Expense Sheets

6.C. Accounts Receivable and Payable