

Operations & Education Committee Meeting
Wednesday, December 2, 2015 8:30 AM
Lower Platte North NRD Office
P.O. Box 126
Wahoo, NE 68066

1. WILD NE/CREP REPORT

There are no payments to make.

2. OPERATION & MAINTENANCE & OTHER ITEMS

2.A. O & M Crew

The O & M crew spent numerous days fencing Bellwood 3-B after the contractor finished the dam renovation. We have shut down the water hydrants at Czechland and Homestead Lakes. We broke up three old irrigation pads on the Wanhoo property and removed some old pipe sticking out of the ground. Also removed the Wanhoo docks and re-positioned the Homestead dock.

2.B. Arbor Day Foundation Trees

The District would like to purchase 1,000 trees from the Arbor Day Foundation for the Fremont Eco Fair (500), Conservation Sensation Day (300) and 200 for miscellaneous give away's. Last year the trees cost .92/tree.

2.C. Conservation Tree Program/Inter-local between NRD's and NARD

An updated Inter-local agreement between the NRD's and the NARD to purchase conservation trees through Bessey Nursery has been developed and extended to September 2018. NARD will order and purchase trees from Bessey Nursery. The Districts will then pay NARD for the trees they order.

2.D. 15' Rotary Flex-Wing Mower Purchase Options

We currently have our used 15' mower advertised on Craig's List for \$5,000. We have had one interested party look at it.

The Districts options in purchasing a new mower are attached.

2.E. Tractor Rental

Heimann is working on options for renting a tractor next summer. The State had contracts through Dinkel Implement and John Deere. The Dinkel Contract will not be renewed. John Deere's contract expires in March 2016 and will be renewed primarily for NDOR and NE Game & Parks. If there are enough tractors with John Deere the District could rent one. Platte Valley has also made an offer to rent a JD 8245R for \$4,000.

Dinkel's rate was \$11.80/hr minimum 300 hours in the past
John Deere's rate was \$13.25/hr unsure if there's a minimum

2.F. Wahoo Lions Club Fund Raiser

The Wahoo Lions Club would like to do a fund raiser in which the shell of a car is placed on the ice of Lake Wanahoo. The Lions Club would sell chances to the general public, and the selling of advertising on the vehicle, as to the time of day that the vehicle would fall through the melting ice. After the contest, the vehicle would then be removed from the Lake. The Wahoo Lions Club, as a member of the Lions Clubs International, does have a \$1,000,000 liability insurance policy.

2.G. Wanahoo SRA Entrance Paving Contract

At the September 14th Board Meeting a motion was made to waive the normal bidding procedures and accept and approve ME Collins price for the Lake Wanahoo entry road paving project at an estimated cost of \$169,333.70 with unit prices matching those as bid for the adjoining Saunders County Road 17 Project. Attached find an agreement with ME Collins.

2.H. Wanahoo SRA Entrance Paving Project Invoice

ME Collins has submitted a bill for work accomplished on the the Wanahoo SRA Entrance Road Project and is requesting payment of \$136,919.14 of the total \$169,275.70 project cost. Items needed to be finished are shouldering, grade and shaping ditches. Attached find a detailed bill requesting payment.

2.I. Wanahoo Hay Cooperator

A letter was sent to Daren Sutton requesting payment for the hay taken from the Wanahoo property. The request for payment was by November 23rd. No payment has been received. Legal council will proceed as necessary to contact Mr. Sutton for collection of the hay.

It's estimated that Mr. Sutton harvested approximately 333 tons of hay, 555 bales. His bid was \$64.00/ton. He would owe the District approximately \$21,312.

2.J. Wanahoo SRA Revenue

Attached is a spreadsheet showing Lake Wanahoo SRA revenue through October 31, 2015 for your information.

2.K. Commercial Lease Agreement with City of Wahoo

At the September Board Meeting staff was instructed to prepare an agreement with the City of Wahoo that would allow them to place a "Wahoo" sign on NRD property near the intersection of highways 77/92 and County Road 17. Attached find a Commercial Lease Agreement.

3. ROCK AND JETTY

4. EROSION & SEDIMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

The Erosion & Sediment Regulations are currently being updated. We will approve the update in the near future.

5. INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

Desirae TePoel started work with the District on November 30th.

5.A. Information

5.A.1. Radio & eAds

5.B. Education

5.B.1. Nebraska Science Bowl

We received a sponsorship request from the Nebraska Science Bowls, scheduled for February 2016. (see attachment). We have donated \$250 to this event in past years.

5.C. Computer

6. RURAL WATER SYSTEMS

6.A. Colon System

- System water samples were taken, submitted to State and passed for November.
- All meters were read and bills sent out.
- Worked with Nelson Contracting to locate village water lines for new sewer lines.
- Met with Village board at their November meeting.
- Replaced 2 radio readers.
- Worked with M.E. Collins to install 15" casing below Wanahoo entrance and have marked both ends.

6.B. Bruno System

- System water samples were taken, submitted to State and passed for November.
- All meters were read and bills sent out.
- Worked with Bob Byrket to complete Bruno system Sanitary survey (every 3 years)
- Replaced 1 radio reader

6.C. Other

- Contracting with USTI "asyst" for our new billing software. Will transfer our data this month and hope to be up and running by January.
- Duke has the CASE 860 trencher ready for sale. Recent sales of similar machines in the Midwest have been between \$ 12,500 - \$ 20,000.
- Once trencher has been sold, we will be ready to purchase Bobcat 5' trencher attachment for approx. \$ 6,500.
- Met with Brainard Village board regarding potential connection to Bruno line. This is one of two project options available to Brainard.

7. Adjournment