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***Nebraska Cooperative Republican Platte Enhancement Project***

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**2022 Annual Report Hearing**

Wednesday April 19th, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time

At the Lower Republican NDR office,

30 N. John St. Alma, NE 68920

Terry Martin opened the hearing to review the 2022 Annual Report at 11:00 a.m. No comments from the public were made. This hearing was closed at 11:01 a.m.

**Board Meeting**

April 19th, 2023, following the adjournment of the Annual Report Hearing

At the Lower Republican NDR Office

30 N. John St., Alma, NE 68920

**Draft Version**

Agendas were sent to board members and others requesting agendas. Agendas were posted at [www.ncorpe.org](http://www.ncorpe.org) and in the following offices: Twin Platte NRD; Lower Republican NRD, Middle Republican NRD; and Upper Republican NRD.

**Board Members Present:** Terry Martin (Upper Republican NRD); Nelson Trambly (Lower Republican NRD); Benjie Loomis (MRNRD), Jerry Weaver (TPNRD).

**Others Present:** Kyle Shepherd (NCORPE); Jasper Fanning (URNRD); Nate Jenkins (URNRD); Dean Large (URNRD); Todd Siel (LRNRD); Kent Miller (TPNRD); Jim Meismer (TPNRD); Alex Boyce (MRNRD); Nick Simonson (LRNRD); Mike Keller (NCORPE); Steve Vaughn (NCORPE); Chelsea Erickson (KS DWR)

**Information Sent to Board Members:** Notice; Agenda; Minutes of January 25th Board Meeting; NCORPE Annual Report – 2022; Accounts Payable, FY 2022 Financial Audit, and the Financial Statement.

Terry Martin called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. and designated NCORPE’s General Manager Kyle Shepherd to chair the meeting. Shepherd pointed out that the Open Meetings Act was posted.

Roll call was taken. Voting representatives from the Upper Republican NRD (Terry Martin); Twin Platte NRD (Jerry Weaver); Lower Republican NRD (Nelson Trambly); Middle Republican NRD (Benjie Loomis) were present.

**Public Forum**

Shepherd opened the Public Forum. No members of the public commented.

**Approval of the minutes of the January 25th, 2023 Meeting**

Shepherd presented the draft minutes of the January 25th meeting to the board.

Trambly moved to approve the minutes of the January 25th, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Martin.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – Yes; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 4 – Yes, 0 – Abstain. Motion approved.

**Approval of the 2022 Annual Report**

Shepherd presented the 2022 annual report to the board. The updates to the report were discussed.

Martin moved to approve the annual report. The motion was seconded by Weaver.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – Yes; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 4 – Yes, 0 – No. Motion approved.

**Payables**

Shepherd presented the payables to the board. Several changes needing to be made were discussed.

Weaver moved to approve the payables with changes and was seconded by Loomis.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – Yes; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 4 – Yes, 0 - Abstain. Motion approved.

**Financial Statement**

Shepherd presented the financial statements to the board.

Martin moved to accept the financial statements with changes and was seconded by Trambly.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – Yes; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 4 – Yes, 0 – Abstain. Motion approved.

**Annual Audit**

The board reviewed the audit for FY 2022.

Martin moved to accept the Annual Audit pending an explanation about taxes. The motion was seconded by Trambly.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – Yes; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 4 – Yes, 0 – Abstain. Motion approved.

**Project Update**

**Managers Reports**

Shepherd discussed the winter and snow conditions, spring grazing, seeding and wildlife viewing among additional duties.

**Property Management/Operations**

**Pumping update – reporting**

Shepherd reported that pumping to the Platte River was going well. Logistics of reporting and computer systems was also discussed.

**Legislative update**

The current session was discussed.

**McDermott update**

Updates and challenges were discussed on work being done on the McDermott property.

**Executive Session**

No executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m. by Martin.

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Benjie Loomis, Board Secretary Date