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Nebraska Cooperative Republican Platte Enhancement Project

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes January 15, 2020 at 10:00am Central Time at the Holiday Inn Express, 300 Holiday Frontage Rd., Paiute Room, North Platte, NE

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Agendas were sent to board members and others requesting agendas. Agendas were posted at 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); Jerry Weaver (Twin Platte NRD); Benjie Loomis (Middle Republican NRD); Nelson Trambly (Lower Republican NRD)

Others Present: Kyle Shepherd (NCORPE); Scott Dicke (Lower Republican NRD); Jasper Fanning (Upper Republican NRD); Dean Large (Upper Republican NRD); Jack Russell (Middle Republican NRD); Jay Schilling (Middle Republican NRD); Todd Siel (Lower Republican NRD); Jim Meisner (TPNRD); Bill Sellers (NCORPE); Mike Keller (NCORPE); Don Blankenau (Blankenau Wilmoth) Henry Vogt (Lin. Co.); Jack Colelli (Invenergy); Jerry Woodruff (North Platte); Jeremy Martin (Wellfleet); Marvin Knoll (Wellfleet); Randy Robinson (North Platte); Ken Anderson (North Platte); Judy Peterson (North Platte); Dan Esterman (Wellfleet); Julie Stenger (Lin. Co. Assessor)

Information Sent to Board Members: Notice; Agenda; Minutes of the December 17th, 2019 Board Meeting; Accounts Payable.

Terry Martin called the meeting to order at 10:01am and designated NCORPE's General Manager Kyle Shepherd to chair the meeting. Shepherd pointed out that there were copies of the Open Meeting Act posted in the front of the room.

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

Public Forum

Shepherd opened the Public Forum. Members of the public spoke against the potential renewable energy lease.

Minutes of December 17th, 2019 Meeting

Shepherd presented the draft minutes of the December 17th meeting to the board.

Martin moved to approve the minutes of the December 17th, 2019 meeting. 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. A correction was requested on an accounting entry. A question was asked about sub-contractor usage.

Trambly moved to approve the payables as corrected and was seconded by Weaver.

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

Financial Statement

There was not a financial statement to review.

Project Update

Managers Reports

Bill Sellers – Sellers worked on meeting preparation and took a tour of a renewable project in Colorado.

Kyle Shepherd – Shepherd worked on meeting preparation and took a tour of a renewable project in Colorado.

Mike Keller – Keller was working with HOA to prepare the wells and computer reporting for pumping.

Large mentioned the positive aspects of road conditions around the renewable project in Colorado.

Blankenau gave an update on two legislative bills that could affect NCORPE.

Insurance Update

Shepherd noted that he was still working on getting quotes for different and new policies.

Grazing Update

Shepherd used the opportunity to inform the public that grazing bids were currently advertised and accepted until February 10th.

Renewable energy – Invenegy Contract

Dickie stated that specific discussion about the contract be discussed in Executive Session.

Executive Session

Martin moved to go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations and employee issues to include NRD board members, NRD staff, NCORPE staff, legal counsel and representatives from Invenegy at 10:34am and was seconded by Trambly.

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

Martin moved to exit executive session at 1:26pm and was seconded by Loomis.

Roll Call, Twin Platte NRD – Yes; Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD - yes; Lower Republican NRD – Yes; Vote 4 – yes, 0 – No, motion approved. No action was taken after executive session ended.

Meeting was immediately adjourned at 1:27pm as there were no further matters to be discussed.

Benjie Loomis, Board Secretary

Date