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

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**Board Meeting**

October 18th, 2023, 9am Mountain Time

Upper Republican NRD

511 E. 5th St., Imperial, NE

**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); Benjie Loomis (MRNRD), Jerry Weaver (TPNRD).

**Others Present:** Kyle Shepherd (NCORPE); Jasper Fanning (URNRD); Nate Jenkins (URNRD); Todd Siel (LRNRD); Jack Russell (MRNRD); Nick Simonson (LRNRD); Mike Keller (NCORPE); Steve Vaughn (NCORPE); Dean Large (URNRD); Kent Miller (TPNRD)

**Information Sent to Board Members:** Notice, Agenda, Minutes of the July 19th Board Meeting, Accounts Payable, Financial Statements, Bond Information, Budget

Terry Martin called the meeting to order at 9:00 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); 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 July 19th, 2023 Meeting**

Shepherd presented the draft minutes of the July 19th meeting to the board.

Weaver moved to approve the minutes of the July 19th, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Martin.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – ; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 3 – Yes, 0 – No. Motion approved.

**Payables**

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

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

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – ; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 3 – Yes, 0 - No. Motion approved.

**Financial Statement**

Shepherd presented the financial statements to the board. Several questions were asked, and several changes needed to be made.

Martin moved to accept the 6/30/23 financial statement and was seconded by Loomis.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – ; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 3 – Yes, 0 - No. Motion approved.

**Budget**

The budget was discussed.

Martin moved to approve the 2024 fiscal budget and was seconded by Weaver.

Roll Call: Upper Republican NRD – Yes; Middle Republican NRD – Yes; Lower Republican NRD – ; Twin Platte NRD – Yes. Vote 3 – Yes, 0 - No. Motion approved.

**Bond Tendering**

Bond tendering was discussed. No action was taken.

**Project Update**

**Managers Reports**

Shepherd discussed mowing and well issues.

**Property Management/Operations**

**Pumping Update**

Shepherd reported on issues with pumps and VFDs. Long-term solutions were discussed.

**Recharge Possibilities**

Investing in a Platte River recharge project on the property was discussed. No action was taken.

**Lincoln County Zoning Changes**

The proposed zoning changes by the county were discussed.

**Legislative update**

The upcoming session was mentioned.

**Executive Session**

No executive session was needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02a.m. by Martin.

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Benjie Loomis, Board Secretary Date