

MINUTES
LOWER REPUBLICAN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
Lower Republican NRD Meeting Room, 30 North John Street, Alma, NE
April 9, 2020 at 2:00 pm

Board of Directors Meeting

A notice of the meeting was published in the Harlan County Journal and on the District Website at www.lrnrd.org.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Lower Republican Natural Resources District (LRNRD) Board of Directors meeting was conducted via teleconferencing from the LRNRD office allowed under the Public Meetings Law with the Executive Order 20-03 signed on March 17th, 2020 by Governor Ricketts.

Chairperson Marlin Murdoch opened the Variance Request Hearing and then asked that the remainder of the Variance Request Hearing and Board of Directors meeting be facilitated by Manager Todd Siel. The Variance Hearing was closed at 2:09 pm with no comments or questions.

Todd Siel called the LRNRD Board of Directors meeting to order at 2:09pm. Guests were offered an opportunity to announce themselves. The manager provided notice that the location of the current copy of the statutes dealing with public meetings laws is located on the south wall and is available on the LRNRD website at www.lrnrd.org.

MATERIAL E-MAILED OUT PRIOR TO THE MEETING & AVAILABLE ON THE LRNRD WEBSITE:

Agenda

LRNRD Board Meeting Minutes, Index of Decisions

LRNRD/RWP Treasurer's Report

Staff Report: NRCS, LRNRD

Variance Requests: #283 KEO Ranch, Inc. and #284 Murdoch Family LTD

Directors absent: None

Directors present via teleconference: Clark Andrews, David Bartels, Bill Bose, Matt Harrison, Terry Hoit, Tim Kahrs, Marlin Murdoch, Roger Nelson, Toby tenBensel, Nelson Trambly, Brad Wulf.

Others present: Jerry Kovarik, NRCS (teleconference). Staff present at LRNRD office: Todd Siel, Scott Dicke, Shirlee Poyser, and Kristen Heft.

Comments from the Public: None

Marlin Murdoch left the meeting.

Motion #1 by Brad Wulf seconded by Bill Bose to approve the LRNRD Board Minutes and Variance Request Hearing Minutes from the March 2020 board meeting and LRNRD & Rural Water Treasurer's Reports as presented. Motion carried. Ayes 10, Nays 0. Absent 1.

Motion #2 Bill Bose seconded by Matt Harrison to approve Variance Request #283 for KEO Ranch, Inc. and #284 Murdoch Family, LTD, as presented. Motion carried. Ayes 10, Nays 0. Absent 1.

NRCS Report: NRCS report was emailed out prior to the meeting. A copy of this report is in the minute book.

LRNRD Staff Report: The NRD staff report was emailed out prior to the meeting. A copy of the full report is in the minute book. LRNRD Scholarship winners for 2020: Olivia Leising- Arapahoe, Taylor Sayer- Cambridge, and Ethan Baker- Alma.

Rural Water Update: Nothing to report.

Platte-Republican Diversion Project (PRD) Update: – Personnel from both the LRNRD and the TBNRD have been preparing for burning the PRD property. Due to weather conditions this project has been postponed.

NCORPE Update: Nothing to report.

NARD Update: Nothing to report.

Other Business: Nothing to report.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be May 14th at 7 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:21pm.

Secretary

Date