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

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**Board Meeting**

Friday, February 2nd, 2024 at 10am Central Time

at the Twin Platte NRD office

at 111 S. Dewey, North Platte, 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 (URNRD); Benjie Loomis (MRNRD), Jerry Weaver (TPNRD); Troy Fletcher (LRNRD.

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

**Information Sent to Board Members:** Notice, Agenda, Minutes of the October 18th Board Meeting, Accounts Payable, Financial Statements

Terry Martin called the meeting to order at 9:59 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); Troy Fletcher (LRNRD) were present.

**Public Forum**

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

**Approval of the minutes of the October 18th, 2023 Meeting**

Shepherd presented the draft minutes of the October 18th meeting to the board.

Weaver moved to approve the minutes of the October 18th, 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 4 – Yes, 0 – No. Motion approved.

**Payables**

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

Loomis moved to approve the payables with changes and 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 - No. Motion approved.

**Financial Statement**

Shepherd presented the financial statements to the board. No action was taken since it was a draft version.

**Project Update**

**Managers Reports**

Shepherd discussed well repairs, snow removal and other topics.

**Property Management/Operations**

**Pumping Update**

Shepherd and Miller reported on future TPNRD pumping, the group discussed possible Republican pumping and the status of well repairs. Shepherd was directed to update the pumping policy.

Weaver moved to allow augmentation pumping to both the Platte and Republican as directed by individual NRDs up to the annual allocation limit, 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 - No. Motion approved.

**2024 Board Meeting Schedule**

Meetings were scheduled for April 17th, July 17th and October 16th. Locations will be decided at a later date.

**Legislative update**

The current session was discussed.

**Executive Session**

No executive session was needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:42a.m. by Martin.

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Benjie Loomis, Board Secretary Date