

## MINUTES

Nebraska Environmental Trust Board  
Special Meeting  
Tuesday, July 11, 2023  
1:00 p.m.

### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Quandahl called the virtual, on-site meeting of the Nebraska Environmental Trust Board to order at 1:02 p.m., LL Hearing Room 031, 245 Fallbrook Blvd, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Advanced notice of the meeting and public hearing was published in the Lincoln Journal Star on July 8, 2023. The agenda and documents to be considered at the meeting were provided. The Open Meetings Act was posted at the entrance of the meeting room and on the Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET) website.

Roll call was conducted, and a quorum was present.

#### **Members present (6):**

**District I:** Mr. James Hellbusch, Columbus.

**District II:** Mr. Felix Davidson, Valley; Chairman Mark Quandahl, Omaha.

**District III:** Mr. Josh Andersen, Edgar; Mr. Rod Christen, Steinauer.

**State Agency Representatives:** Vice Chairman Jim Macy, Director, Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy.

#### **Members absent (5):**

**District I:** Mr. Jeff Kanger, Lincoln.

**State Agency Representatives:** Ms. Charity Menefee, Director, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services; Mr. Tim McCoy, Director, Nebraska Game & Parks Commission; Mr. Tom Riley, P.E., Director, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources; Ms. Sherry Vinton, Director, Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

Ms. Charity Menefee arrived at the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

#### **Staff present:**

Mr. Karl Elmshaeuser, Executive Director; Ms. Holly Adams, Grants Administrator; Ms. Madison Moe, Grants Assistant; and Ms. Sandra Weaver, Administrative Specialist.

### 2. Approval of June 22, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes

**Motion by Mr. Macy,** seconded by Mr. Davidson, "I move to approve the June 22, 2023, Board meeting minutes."

**Voting Aye:** Hellbusch, Davidson, Andersen, Christen, Menefee, Macy, Quandahl

**Absent:** Kanger, McCoy, Riley, Vinton

**7 Voted Aye. Motion carried.**

### 3. Public Comment

None

#### 4. Non-substantial change to Title 137 Amendments

##### Background on Agenda Item 4

The NET Board adopted the proposed amendments to Title 137 and submitted them to the Attorney General's (AG's) office for review. A non-substantial change to the proposed amendments was recommended for consideration by the AG's office. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-907.05 does not require additional notice and hearing for a non-substantial change.

Executive Director Elmshaeuser reviewed the AG's recommendation with the Board.

**Motion by** Mr. Macy, seconded by Mr. Andersen, "I move to adopt the non-substantial change to the amendments to Title 137 as proposed, "Chapter 4 - Criteria for Eligibility, 001.01(B) Regulations means only those rules codified in the Nebraska Administrative Code or in the Code of Federal Regulations" and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the Certification of Adoption and forward the applicable and appropriate documents for processing as required."

**Discussion:** None

**Voting Aye:** Davidson, Andersen, Christen, Menefee, Macy, Hellbusch, Quandahl

**Absent:** Kanger, McCoy, Riley, Vinton

**7 Voted Aye. Motion carried.**

#### 5. Next Meeting

Thursday, August 3, 2023, Telegraph Lofts West, 2077 N St, Suite 310, Lincoln, Nebraska, 1:30 p.m.

#### 6. Adjourn

Chairman Quandahl adjourned the meeting at 1:08 p.m.



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Karl L. Elmshaeuser  
Executive Director