

PREDATOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT OF NIOBRARA COUNTY

Minutes of June Meeting

5:00 pm June 20, 2024

Courthouse

Members and Staff Present:

Arleen York, Chairman

Kitson Boldon, Secretary-Treasurer

Justen Miller

Shannon Bruegger

Terry Allbright

John Lashmett

Dave Birch

Richard Edwards

Dan Tadewald

Dale Greenough, Trapper

John Graham, Trapper

Members and Staff Absent

Chairman Arleen York called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm. Tadewald made a motion to approve the consent agenda of previously emailed/mailed minutes from the last meeting and the bill list. Motion was seconded and carried.

**Reports**

Aerial Services Report: Boldon reported that she had been billed for 133 hours of aerial service flying and she just received a bill from Kelly and Shannon that had 11.4 hours combined to be paid. Dale said that Kelly had only flown once in June and Shannon said he had only flown once in June but was hoping to get more flying done before June 30<sup>th</sup>.

County Trappers Report: Greenough reported that the weather had made for a tough May month. The wind had made for hard calling and flying conditions. Graham reported he had been getting more dens this month. He has had a couple trouble calls. They have been working together with aerial services to locate coyotes and dens and will hopefully be working with Kelly this weekend around some sheep in north Niobrara County.

Operations and Personnel Committee: The committee did not meet.

**Old Business**

Sportsman Board Member: Boldon reported that the County Commissioners appointed John Lashmett to replace Royce Thompsons term as the sportsman on the board which will come due December 2024.

Vote for Vice President: Justen Miller was nominated to be Vice President by Shannon Bruegger. Nomination was seconded. Kitson Boldon made a motion that unanimous ballot be cast for Justen. Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

At-Large Board member Replacement: Hayden Wick attended the meeting and said he would be willing to replace our At-large member. Albright made a motion that we suggest the County Commissioners appoint Hayden Wick to replace Gary Bayne's spot on the board as At-Large. Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

Contracts accepted/rejected by contractors: Tadewald moved to approve the contracts that have been accepted and signed by the following parties: Dale Greenough (Trapper); John Graham (Trapper); Cow Creek Aerial DBA (Aerial Hunting & Aerial Services); Kelly Huseby (Aerial Services); Kitson Boldon (Clerical). Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

Fur Receipts from Trappers: Boldon read off the reported fur receipts from both trappers. John reported he didn't sell any coyote furs and gave 3 red fox and 5 porcupine carcasses away. Dale reported 24 coyote furs sold for a total of \$602.00, 5 red fox furs for a total of \$75.00, and 2 porcupine carcasses for \$10.00 each. Bruegger made a motion Dale could keep what he turned in for fur receipts. Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

Kyle Gruwell: Gruwell presented to the board his interest in having a special contract with us to kill coyotes for a few winter months. He is asking for \$3,000 with a guarantee of 30 coyotes taken. Chairman York tabled the discussion to the next meeting with ideas of how to put the contract together or if we would like to entertain the idea of even doing it.

Paying Gunner: It was discussed how we would go about paying gunners that fly with our aerial service contractors. Chairman York tabled the discussion to the next meeting to allow us to come up with ideas of how we might go about setting that contract up.

Special Project Grant Interview/Results: Justen informed the board that him and Buttons attended the interview for the special project grant this morning and that they had not yet heard the results.

WS Contract: Tadewald made a motion we do a contract with Wildlife Services the same as last year for 100 hours of flying time. Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

Budget: Boldon presented her budget and said she would have a better idea of carryover cash when she could plug in the numbers for year ending June 30, 2024.

Statement of Investment Policy: After discussion this was tabled to the next meeting so Boldon could find the current interest rates.

Depository Institution: After discussion this was tabled to the next meeting so Boldon could find the current interest rates.

NEA: Boldon brought to the board's attention that the hangar electricity credit on the NEA bill was getting low and suggested a \$500.00 pre-pay to the account. Allbright made a motion to pre-pay NEA \$500.00 for the hangar electricity bill. Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

Mileage Reimbursement for attending meetings from Jan.-June: Tadewald made a motion to reimburse the board members that needed it for attending meetings from January through June 30, 2024. Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

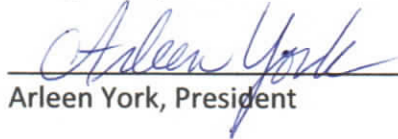
There being no further business to discuss Chairman York adjourned the meeting at 6:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Kitson Boldon, Secretary-Treasurer

Accepted by:



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Arleen York, President

Predator Management District of Niobrara county  
7/18/24  
Bill List

**Bills Paid, To be approved**

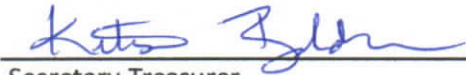
6/30/24	Dale Greenough	June Contract	\$6,000.00
6/30/24	John Graham	June Contract	\$6,000.00
6/30/23	Shannon Bruegger	Mileage Reimbursement	\$402.00
6/30/23	Justen Miller	Mileage Reimbursement	\$289.44
6/30/23	Danny Tadewald	Mileage Reimbursement	\$134.00
6/30/23	Dave Birch	Mileage Reimbursement	\$136.68
6/30/23	Kitson Boldon	Clerical Services/Mileage Reimbursement	\$1,861.80

**Bills Payable**

**Cash on hand less bills outstanding**

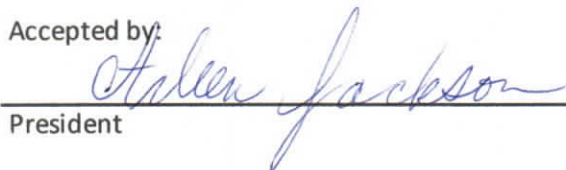
Funds set aside	\$198,751.00
Funds to operate on	\$106,558.99
Less outstanding bills	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$305,309.99</b>

Submitted by:



Secretary-Treasurer

Accepted by:



President

