

**Personnel, Legislative and Public Affairs Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2017**

A meeting of the Pappio-Missouri River Natural Resources District's Personnel, Legislative and Public Affairs Subcommittee was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 S. 154th Street, Omaha, NE on September 12, 2017. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Fred Conley at 6:30 p.m.

QUORUM CALL: Quorum call was taken. The following were in attendance.

Subcommittee Members Present	Subcommittee Members Absent	Other Directors Present	Others Present
John Conley **	Patrick Leahy *	John Conley	John Winkler
Tim Fowler, Vice-Chairman	Mark Gruenewald	David Klug	Marlin Petermann
Ted Japp		Jim Thompson	Brent Meyer
Fred Conley, Chairman		John Wiese	Jean Tait
			Other Staff Members

* Excused Absence

** Alternate Voting Member

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **It was moved by Director Conley (John) and seconded by Director Fowler that the agenda be adopted.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 4-yea.

Voting Yea: Conley (John), Fowler, Japp, Conley (Fred)

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Gruenewald, Leahy

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Notice of the meeting was posted in all District Offices and published in the Omaha World Herald on September 7, 2017. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

1. Review and Recommendation on Resolutions to be considered at the 2017 NARD Annual Conference, John Winkler:

The General Manager briefed the Subcommittee on the resolutions being voted on at the 2017 NARD Annual Conference.

NARD Resolution 2017-1: Natural Disaster Assistance Funding Through NEMA. Submitted by Little Blue NRD. Recommendation that the Nebraska Association of Resource Districts seek changes in the "State of Nebraska's Guidelines for Public Officials" regarding public disaster declarations that provide that Improvement Project Areas which have been established by Natural Resources Districts for the public good, and for which no public tax money is being invested for the construction, operation, maintenance and management of such project, shall be eligible for

reimbursement of a portion of the repair costs from NEMA when such projects are damaged by natural disasters and meet all other eligibility requirements.

- **It was moved by Director Conley (John) and seconded by Director Fowler that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the NARD Voting Delegate and/or Alternate be authorized to vote to Support Resolution 2017-1 Natural Disaster Assistance Funding through NEMA, at the 2017 NARD Annual Conference.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 4-yea.

Voting Yea: Conley (John), Fowler, Japp, Conley (Fred)
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Gruenewald, Leahy

NARD Resolution 2017-2: Surface Water Leasing For Groundwater Recharge. Submitted by Tri-Basin NRD. Recommendation that the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts seek changes in Nebraska statutes or state rules and regulations that will streamline and simplify the process of surface water rights leasing.

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Japp that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the NARD Voting Delegate and/or Alternate be authorized to vote to Support Resolution 2017-2 Surface Water Leasing for Groundwater Recharge, at the 2017 NARD Annual Conference.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 4-yea.

Voting Yea: Conley (John), Fowler, Japp, Conley (Fred)
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Gruenewald, Leahy

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 6:34 p.m.