

MEMORANDUM

TO THE BOARD:

SUBJECT: General Manager's Report

DATE: December 6, 2018

FROM: John Winkler, General Manager



A. INFORMATION/EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS:

1. Behind-the-scenes at I&E: There are many interesting things Austen and Kaylynn encounter when they give presentations at schools. They have to be prepared to answer any kind of question. This week, Austen spoke to students at Saddlebrook Elementary. The very first question a curious first-grader launched at Austen was: "How do owls mate?" Of course, Austen provided a great answer, but said he was a bit surprised by the question, given it was a first-grader and the very first question. Just a quick inside look at your average day at I&E.

B. PERSONNEL/MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

1. The District is holding a holiday drive for Victory Apartments, a residential facility that partners with the VA and HUD to put homeless veterans in a residence. We are collecting household and cleaning items through December.
- *2. Consideration of Additional Holiday(s) for P-MRNRD Employees: The District is requesting the Board considers designating Monday, December 24, 2018, (the day before Christmas) and Monday, December 31, 2018, (the day before New Year's) as holidays for District employees.

- C. REPORT ON PURCHASES – CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY:** Pursuant to Board direction, the report indicating construction services, professional services and personal property purchases from the month of November 2018 is attached for your review. Please review this report and contact me if you have any questions.

- D. CURRENT AND ON-GOING PROJECTS – P-MRNRD LEGAL COUNSEL:** A copy of current and on-going projects for District Legal Counsel, Husch Blackwell, as of November 14, 2018, is attached for your review. I would ask each Director to review this report. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

- E. PAPILLION CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP REPORT:** The Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership Subcommittee meeting took place on November 29, 2018. The minutes are attached. The next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2019.

Did you really just ask that?


"HOW DO OWLS MATE?"

December 13, 2018

Austen, we'll let you explain this one.





AND

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 279

VVA Chapter 279 is heavily involved with Victory Apartments. Victory Apartments is a residential facility that partners with the VA and HUD to put homeless veterans in a residence. Most of these veterans have been homeless for years and have nothing. Chapter 279 conducts a year-round drive to support these veterans. Some needed donations include:

- **Food**
- **Household Items**
- **Dishes, Silverware and Glassware**
- **Brooms**
- **Mops**
- **Bath and Dish Soap**
- **Bedding**



**Report on Purchases
Construction Services, Professional Services, Personal Property**

November 2018

Date	Project Name	Item / Task	Company	Cost
11/5/2018	Western Sarpy Drainage Ditch Cleaning	Erosion Control design, permitting and monitoring services	Lamp Rynearson & Associates	\$7,000
11/9/2018	Wehrspann Lake Sediment Dam near Hwy 370	Supply six Aluminum stop logs for inlet structure	Whipps Inc.	\$5650.00
11/13/2018	Whitted Creek Levee Project	Professional services to evaluate 25 th Street improvements impact	Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.	\$9,996.51
11/29/2018	No Name Dike Project	Professional services for rehabilitation of Twin 48" culverts	FYRA Engineering	\$27,982
11/1-30/2018	Project Maintenance	Rip Rap	Martine Marietta	\$10,335.99



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Current and On-Going Projects P-MRNRD Legal Counsel

☛ = Top Priority
F = Future Work – No Assignment
N = New Assignment
O = Others Handling
W = Work in Progress
P = Counsel Portion Completed
B = Next Board Meeting

- **Little Papio:** (Cleveland)
 - ☛ License (1) for additional USACE NFM Project ROW (P)
- **Big Papio:** (Cleveland)
 - Licenses for Phase 2 Culvert Rehab Project (W)
- **West Branch:** (Cleveland/Grint)
 - Land Exchange with Sarpy Co. (96th St.) (P)
 - ☛ Levee Accreditation Interlocal Agreement Amendment w/Papillion (W)
- **Western Sarpy Dike:** (Cleveland/Petermann)
 - ☛ NRDs/NE-ARNG Interlocal Addendum for Camp Ashland Property (W)
- **Floodway Purchase Program:** (Laster/Grint)
 - ☛ Arlington Purchase Agreements, Deeds, etc. (P)
- **Trail Projects:** (Williams)
 - MoPac Trail, Chalco to Hwy 50 – Amendment to LRA Professional Services Contract (F)
- **Missouri River Corridor Project:** (Becic)
- **USDA PL 566 Projects, Silver Creek and Pigeon/Jones Watershed:** (Schumacher/Cleveland/Grint)
 - Papio PL 566 Site S-21 Decommissioning by NRCS (W)

- ❖ PJ-12A Easements (W)
- ❖ FYRA Professional Services Contract for Papio PL 566 Work Plan Update (B)
- **Papio Watershed Dam Sites:** (Grint/Laster/Williams)
 - ❖ HDR Professional Services Contract Amendment for ZB-2 (B)
 - ❖ City of Omaha Interlocal Agreement for ZB-2 (W)
 - ❖ ZB2 Surplus Land Sale Agreement (B)
 - ❖ WP1 Purchase Agreement w/Celebrity Homes (P)
- **Papio Creek Watershed Partnership (Stormwater):** (Grint)
- **Southern Sarpy Watershed Partnership (Stormwater):** (Laster)
- **Missouri River R-613 and R-616 Levees:** (Cleveland/Woodward)
 - ❖ Offutt AFB Storm Sewer Outlets License and O&M Agreement (W)
 - ❖ ROW Acquisition Documents (B)
 - ❖ City of Omaha Interlocal Agreement (W)
- **Rural Water Projects:** (Nelson)
 - ❖ DCRW NW Area Water Main Extension Hook up Contracts (P)
 - ❖ WCRW Surfside Construction Contract and Bids (B)
 - ❖ WCRW Surfside Developer Contract (B)
 - ❖ WCRW Surfside Easements (N)
- **Other:**
 - Interlocal Agreement with Sarpy County for Chalco Hills 168th/Bridge #147 Project (Cleveland) (P)
 - ❖ City of Omaha Thomas Creek Urban Drainageway Project Interlocal Agreement (Williams) (B)
 - ❖ Review Director Policy Manual Updates (Petermann) (B)



Meeting Minutes
November 29, 2018 – 10:00 AM – Lower Level Conference Room
Natural Resource Center, 8901 S 154th Street, Omaha, NE

Attendants:

See attached sign-in sheet.

Purpose

A meeting of the Partnership was held on the above date in order to discuss topics stated in the attached agenda. The meeting began at 10:02 am.

1. Introductions

- An agenda and handouts were distributed. Marlin Petermann facilitated introductions.

2. Fines for Non-Compliance

- Dan Giitinger (Gretna) stated that they have had issues with intentional circumvention of sediment and erosion control best management practices on construction sites. Dan asked how other jurisdictions handled escalated enforcement and fining.
- Jim Theiler (Omaha) stated he would forward Omaha's written policy.
- John Kottmann (La Vista) stated he followed the same protocol as Omaha. They first request the contractor/owner comply with the requirements. If that is not done they send a Notice of Violation and begin the process of assessing fines which requires legal counsel involvement.
- Dean Dunn (Bellevue) stated that Bellevue now requires a Duty to Comply agreement. The agreement states that failure to comply with grading permit terms, the City can revoke building permits.

3. Watershed Management Plan Update

- Laurie Carrette Zook (HDR) provided an update on the work HDR is doing for the Watershed Management Plan Update.
- HDR is working with MAPA in order to determine populations projections and future development within the Papillion Creek Watershed. Laurie reviewed the projections and confirmed with the communities present that this data is consistent with other ongoing planning efforts.
- Laurie reviewed the remaining regional flood control sites to inform the Partnership of the costs associated with each of the 9 structures and to report what data is available for each site. Communities provided input on potential developments that would impact these sites.
- Amanda Grint (P-MRNRD) stated that approximately \$3.2 million dollars is available from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for the design and construction of WP-1.



Most of the land for this project has been acquired and the P-MRNRD has applied for state Water Sustainability Funds to cover approximately \$6 towards construction.

- Marlin Petermann (P-MRNRD) stated that there is a need for WP-4 to address flooding and erosion concerns in Gretna.
- Amanda stated that DS-7 is a lower priority as there is not much development in the area.
- Marlin stated that DS-8A, DS-9A, and DS-10 could also be considered lower priority sites. Jim Theiler stated that DS-10 is upstream of a stream stability project on Thomas Creek and could potentially be a higher priority to help address that issue.
- A final prioritization of the sites will need to be completed in order to update the Implementation Plan for 2020-2025.

4. USACE Section 22 Stream Stability Study Update

- Eric Williams (P-MRNRD) updated the group on the progress of the study. The Project Management Plan will be finalized soon. Omaha will be providing some in-kind work surveying stream segments. If other communities could provide some similar work, it could be used in the study.
- Marlin Petermann stated that USACE will now be analyzing stable channel grades and will provide some design guidance as part of their scope.

5. PCWP Interlocal Agreement

- Marlin discussed how the changes to the scope of the Stream Stability study could help to shape the stream setback policy in the future. However, there are other items in the interlocal agreement that require the adoption of a new agreement in July 2019. The options would be to adopt a 2 or 3 year agreement and then update again once a new stream setback policy has been formulated or to adopt a full five year agreement and then adopt an amendment once the new policy is formulated.
- Jim Theiler stated that more engagement is needed with local officials and stakeholders before any new policies are presented for adoption.
- Bruce Fountain (Sarpy County) stated that the stream setback policy language should at least be updated to allow greater restrictions when site conditions warrant. Currently the policy is not written to allow this and there are areas with known problems where the current policy is not sufficient to protect infrastructure.
- The agreement was to adopt a five year agreement with minimal policy changes and a reference to the fact that the policy is under review.

6. Other Items of Interest

- There will be two public open houses for the USACE Papio Watershed General Investigation.
 - December 3, 2018 at Concordia at 5:30 pm
 - December 5, 2018 at P-MRNRD at 5:30 pm
- A subcommittee meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2018 at 2 pm to discuss the Stormwater Management Plan.

7. Next Meeting Date

- The next Partnership Meeting will be held January 24, 2019.

9. Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at 11:43 am. An agenda and the handouts passed out at the meeting are available upon request.

Please contact Lori Laster at 444-6222 regarding any questions or comments concerning these meeting minutes.