

**Personnel, Legislative and Public Affairs Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2019**

A meeting of the Papio-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 June 11, 2019. 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
Fred Conley, Chairperson	Tim McCormick *	Larry Bradley	John Winkler
Tim Fowler, Vice-Chairperson		Danny Begley	Marlin Petermann
Mark Gruenewald		Rich Tesar	Jean Tait
Ted Japp		Jim Thompson	Other Staff Members
Kevyn Sopinski **		John Wiese	Hal Daub

* Excused Absence

** Alternate Voting Member

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Notice of the meeting was posted in all District offices and published in the Omaha World Herald on June 6, 2019. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Gruenewald that the agenda be adopted.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Gruenewald, Japp, Sopinski, Conley

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: McCormick

1. Review and Recommendation of Renewal of Government Relations Contract with Husch Blackwell LLP – John Winkler:

General Manger John Winkler briefed the Subcommittee on the proposed extension of the Government Relations contract for intergovernmental and professional lobbying services for the District. The current two-year contract with Husch Blackwell, LLP expires on June 30, 2019. The new contract would be for a period of two years, beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021, at a new contract pay rate of \$7,000 per month for the first 12 months and \$7,500 for the second twelve months. There was discussion by the Directors to consider other firms and entertain the possibility of putting out a request for proposal for this service.

- **It was moved by Director Japp and seconded by Director Fowler that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute a Request for Proposal for the provision of Government Relations services for FY 2021.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Gruenewald, Japp, Sopinski, Conley

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: McCormick

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 6:40 p.m.