

**Finance, Expenditure and Legal
Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2019**

A meeting of the Pappio-Missouri River Natural Resources District’s Finance, Expenditure and Legal Subcommittee was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, NE, on September 10, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Bradley at 7:00 p.m.

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

Subcommittee Members Present	Subcommittee Members Absent	Other Directors Present	Others in Attendance
Larry Bradley – Vice-Chairperson	Rich Tesar – Chairperson*	Tim Fowler	John Winkler
Danny Begley	John Wiese*	Mark Gruenewald	Brent Meyer, Legal Counsel
Tim McCormick		Ted Japp	Nicole Gust
Fred Conley**		Kevyn Sopinski	Carey Fry
		Jim Thompson	Amanda Grint
			Other Staff Members

* Absent

** Alternate Voting Member

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **It was moved by Director Conley and seconded by Director Begley that the agenda be adopted.**

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

Voting Yea: Begley, Conley, McCormick, Bradley
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: Tesar, Wiese

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on September 5, 2019. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

1. Review and Recommendation of the Adoption of the FY 2020 Budget and Set Property Tax Levy at 0.037384 for the FY 2020 Budget – John Winkler:

General Manager Winkler briefed the Subcommittee on the final version of the District’s budget for FY 2020. He also noted that the Public Hearing to Adopt the FY 2020 Budget and Public Hearing to Set the Property Tax Levy for FY 2020 will be held at the September 12, 2019, Board Meeting in Dakota City, Nebraska. The following individual addressed the Subcommittee:

➤ Shawn Melotz, 10404 N. 132nd Street, Omaha, NE

- **It was moved by Director Conley and seconded by Director Begley that the following resolutions be adopted:**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District that the attached budget document incorporated herein by reference, showing Total Requirements of \$119,985,574.60 as follows,

Operating Budget	\$108,061,837.60
Project and Operations Cash Reserves	\$11,873,737.00
Uninsured Liability Sinking Fund	\$50,000.00

and Property Tax Requirement of \$26,379,012.50 (\$21,885,157.50 general and \$4,493,855.00 bond) be and is hereby adopted as the Fiscal Year 2020 budget of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District.

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of the Papio-Missouri River NRD passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and,

WHEREAS, a special public hearing held on September 12, 2019, as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Papio-Missouri River NRD that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District by a majority vote, resolved that:

1. The FY 2020 property tax request be set at \$26,379,012.50 (\$21,885,157.50 general and \$4,493,855.00 bond).
2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 6.86%.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be \$0.035180 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. The Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$0.037384 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District will exceed last year's by 49.60%.
6. And that a copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerks within the District prior to September 20, 2019.

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

Voting Yea: Begley, Conley, McCormick, Bradley
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: Tesar, Wiese

2. Review and Recommendation on Zorinsky Basin 2 Surplus Land Sale Agreement – Amanda Grint:

Project Manager Amanda Grint reminded the Board that they approved a design contract amendment with HDR in August 2018, to redesign the ZB2 mitigation at Flanagan Lake. Due to this amendment, 6.307 acres of land on the ZB2 site purchased from Lanoha Pacific, Inc. is no longer needed and can be declared surplus. As such, it is recommended that the land be sold back to Lanoha Pacific, Inc at the price it was purchased, \$55,000 per acre, for a total of \$346,885.

- **It was moved by Director Conley and seconded by Director Begley that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to execute the purchase agreement with Lanoha Pacific, Inc. for the sale of 6.307 acres of Zorinsky Water Quality Basin 2 Project Surplus Land in the amount of \$346,885, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.**

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

Voting Yea: Begley, Conley, McCormick, Bradley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Tesar, Wiese

3. Review and Recommendation on West Papillion Regional Basin 6 Surplus Land Sale Agreement – Amanda Grint:

Project Manager Amanda Grint explained that in November 2018, the District closed on a parcel of land with the Haug Family Trust for the WP6 Project. Amanda stated that the intent of the parties was to close on 38.92 acres but due to a mix up 41.614 acres was deeded to the District during the closing process. BHI, Inc. is the owner of the adjacent land and they are requesting that the 2.693 acres of land be declared surplus and sold back them, as was originally intended. It is recommended that the surplus land be sold to BHI, Inc. at the price it was purchased, \$44,000 per acre for a total of \$118,492.

- **It was moved by Director Conley and seconded by Director McCormick that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to execute the purchase agreement with BHI, Inc. for the sale of 2.693 acres of West Papillion Regional Basin 6 Project Surplus Land in the amount of \$118,492, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.**

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

Voting Yea: Begley, Conley, McCormick, Bradley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Tesar, Wiese

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:23 p.m.