

MEMORANDUM

TO THE BOARD:

SUBJECT: General Manager’s Report

DATE: April 9, 2020

FROM: John Winkler, General Manager



**A. INFORMATION/EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS:**

- 1. In honor of Arbor Day, each year the I&E Department orders tree seedlings for schools and the public to take and plant. Despite current circumstances, we believe most of the thousands of Bur Oak seedlings will still be finding good homes. Some positive news to share as we need nature more than ever now...and more are using this time to give back to it.

**B. PERSONNEL/MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

- 1. Wyatt Cieluch has been hired as the District’s IT Support Technician. Wyatt’s first day with the District was March 25th. Steven Ketcham and Allen Post have been hired as the District’s Summer Groundskeepers – part-time. Their first day with the District was April 1st. Kalani Fortina has been hired as the District’s Conservation Program Support Specialist. Kalani’s first day with the District is April 13th.

**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 March 2020 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 March 13 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 met March 26, 2020. The minutes are attached.

# GOOD NEWS!

## I&E REPORT



APRIL 2020



**SEEDLINGS  
TO STILL BE  
PLANTED  
#COVID19**





Updated: March 13, 2020

## **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 for Blondo Street Drainage Repair (P)
  - ⚡ 64<sup>th</sup> Street Easement from MUD, City of Omaha (W)
  - ⚡ Easement for City of Omaha for Traffic Controls (W)
  - ⚡ Culvert Rehab Professional Services Contract w/FYRA (W)
  
- **Big Papio:** (Cleveland)
  
- **West Branch:** (Cleveland/Grint)
  - Land Exchange with Sarpy Co. and City of Papillion (96<sup>th</sup> St.) (F)
  
- **Western Sarpy Dike:** (Cleveland/Petermann)
  - ⚡ NRDs/NE-ARNG Interlocal Addendum for Camp Ashland Property (W)
  - ⚡ National Guard Easement for WS Levee (W)
  
- **Floodway Purchase Program:** (Laster/Grint)
  
- **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 (F)
  - ⚡ Papio PL-566 D-20, Decommissioning by NRCS and Douglas County Agreement (P)

- **Papio Watershed Dam Sites:** (Grint/Laster/Williams)
  - ✦ City of Omaha Interlocal Agreement for ZB-2 (W)
  - ✦ DS 19 Property Purchase Agreement (B)
  - ✦ Easement Agreement for Access Drive at Prairie Queen (W)
  - ✦ Purchase Agreement w/FRK Development for land acquisition at WP-1 (B)
  
- **Papio Creek Watershed Partnership (Stormwater):** (Grint/Laster)
  
- **Southern Sarpy Watershed Partnership (Stormwater):** (Laster)
  
- **Missouri River R-613 and R-616 Levees:** (Cleveland/Woodward)
  - ✦ Offutt AFB Storm Sewer Outlets O&M Agreement (F)
  - ✦ BNSF and UP Agreements and Easements (W)
  
- **Rural Water Projects:** (Nelson)
  - ✦ DCRW – Finalize Olsson Agreement for Kramper Lake Extension (W)
  
- **Other:**
  - Buffalo Creek Stabilization – Urban Cost Share Interlocal with Sarpy Co. (Williams) (F)
  - Cole Creek Interlocal Agreement (Grint) (F)
  - ✦ Union Dike – Repair Licenses (W)



**Meeting Minutes  
March 26, 2020 – 10:00 AM  
Via Zoom Meeting**

Attendants:

Matt Knight (Bellevue), Derek Miller (Omaha), Jim Kee (Omaha), Andy Szatko (Omaha), Bruce Fountain (La Vista), Pat Dowse (La Vista), Mark Stursma (Papillion), Alex Evans (Papillion), Marlin Petermann (P-MRNRD), Amanda Grint (P-MRNRD), Eric Williams (P-MRNRD), Lori Laster (P-MRNRD), Art Beccard (Sarpy County), Jason Kubicek (Sarpy County), Zach Hergenrader (Sarpy County), Donna Lynam (Sarpy County), Dan Gittinger (Gretna), Ryan Ossell (MAPA), Julie Godberson (Offut AFB), Liane Daugherty (Jacobs), Stacy Gilman (Douglas County), Aaron Hirsh (FHU), Dan Fricke (JEO), Mike Miller (SCS Engineers)

The meeting began at 10:05 am.

1. Introductions

- An agenda and handouts were distributed via email on March 26, 2020. Marlin Petermann (P-MRNRD) facilitated introductions.

2. Vote – FHU Scope of Work – Future Stream Degradation Analysis

- At the October 2019 Partnership Meeting, Sarpy County stated their intent to update their stream setback policy. Several developments have had issues with stream stability and the current setback policy has not been sufficient for addressing those issues.
- A draft scope of work from Felsburg Holt & Ullevig (FHU) to conduct GIS analysis to determine what future degradation could look like in undeveloped areas of the Papillion Creek Watershed was presented at the February 27, 2020 Partnership.
- Lori Laster noted that FHU had coordinated with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to determine where their scope of work overlapped with the Stream Degradation Study being completed by USACE. As a result of the coordination, FHU further refined their scope to focus on three subwatersheds to be able to analyze the smallest streams in each watershed.
- Mark Stursma asked if any in-kind work would be required from the Partners. At this time, no specific work is requested. However, it may be necessary to provide data once the study begins if it is not publicly available.
- Mark Stursma made a motion to approve the scope and fee from FHU. Art Beccard seconded the motion. The motion was approved 7 yea, 0 nay, 2 absent.

4. Next Meeting Date

- Due to the meeting restriction advisory, the Partnership will not meet in April. The next meeting date is to be determined.

5. Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at 10:28 am. An agenda and the handouts passed out at the meeting are available upon request.

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