



**Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Suggested Resolutions/Recommendations  
January 14, 2021**

**\*Agenda Item 4 - Agenda**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the agenda be adopted.

**\*Agenda Item 5 – Consent Agenda**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following resolutions on the consent agenda are hereby adopted.

Agenda Item 3.A.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the absences of the following Director(s) from the January 14, 2021 Board of Director Meeting are excused:

None to date.

Agenda Item 7.A.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the December 10, 2020 Papio-Missouri River NRD Board Meeting minutes are approved as printed.

**\*Agenda Item 8.B.1. – Nebraska Association of Resources Districts**

1. NARD Risk Pool Dividend Transfer: Recommendation that the following Resolution be adopted:

**Resolution of the Board of Directors of the  
Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District**

**WHEREAS**, the current NARD and NARD Risk Pool office was destroyed by a fire on May 30, 2020.

**WHEREAS**, the NARD Board does not want to ask districts to contribute tax proceeds toward purchasing a building but use reserve funds from three sources instead.

**WHEREAS**, at the September 29, 2020 NARD and NARD Risk Pool Board meetings, the boards approved the following combination of funds: NARD General Operations (\$200,000), NRD Foundation (\$100,000) and NARD Risk Pool (\$900,000). The funds would be combined in the NARD Foundation to purchase the building. A \$900,000 loan will be obtained for the balance of the building.

**WHEREAS**, there is a current tenant in part of the building with a lease through 2028, which will be transferred to the NARD Foundation upon closing. That lease income will assist in making the payments on the building.

**WHEREAS**, the NARD staff has been working with the Nebraska Department of Insurance (department) to make sure we are accounting for the proceeds under the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Act. Further, the NARD Board wants to properly account for the combination of funds to eventually pay back all three entities for the contribution made toward the purchase. Communication began with the department in July 2020 and was asked if the transfer should be treated as a dividend, loan or donation.

**WHEREAS**, on December 1, 2020 the department determined the best action to account for the funds would be to treat the transfer of funds from the Risk Pool as a dividend with each district assigning the dividend on the same day to the NARD Foundation for the purposes of buying a building.

**WHEREAS**, on December 11, 2020 the Board of Directors of the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Intergovernmental Risk Management Pool Association (“NARD Risk Pool”) declared a dividend to be issued December 28, 2020, totaling \$900,000 to be evenly distributed to the 23 Natural Resources Districts (“Districts”) with the intention that the Districts will ratify and assign their full portion of the dividend to the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Foundation (“NARD Foundation”) for the purpose of purchasing an office building.

**WHEREAS**, the NARD Risk Pool Representative of the district, as a Participating Employer in the NARD Risk Pool, has attested and consented to the assignment of its pro rata share of the dividend to the NARD Foundation.

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that the District Office, as a Participating Employer in the NARD Risk Pool, hereby ratifies and consents to the assignment of its pro rata share of the dividend to the NARD Foundation for the purposes of purchasing an office building.

**\*Agenda Item 12.A. – Personnel, Legislative and Public Affairs Subcommittee**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting of the Personnel, Legislative and Public Affairs Subcommittee are accepted, incorporated in these minutes, and the following recommendation(s) of the Subcommittee are hereby adopted and approved.

1. District Affirmative Action Policy for 2021: Recommendation that the Papio-Missouri River NRD's Affirmative Action Policy for 2021, be adopted and incorporated to the District Policy Manual.

**\*Agenda Item 12.B. – Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting of the Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee are accepted, incorporated in these minutes, and the following recommendation(s) of the Subcommittee are hereby adopted and approved.

1. Updates to District Policy Manual, Appendix H, Rules and Regulations Rural Water Supply Systems: Recommendation that the proposed updates to the District's Policy Manual, Appendix H – Rules and Regulations Rural Water Systems be approved, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.
2. Purchase of Additional Land Located Adjacent to the Blair Field Office: Recommendation that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed purchase agreement with the City of Blair for the purchase of 1.8 acres in the amount of \$100,000, contingent upon no reported issues from the environmental investigation, and changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.
3. Platte River Bridge Trail Project, Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Schemmer: Recommendation that the following Resolution be adopted:

**RESOLUTION  
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT –  
BK1928 SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1**

**WHEREAS:** Papio-Missouri River NRD and Schemmer Associates have previously executed a preliminary engineering services agreement for a transportation project for which the Local Public Agency (LPA) would like to obtain Federal funds;

**WHEREAS:** Papio-Missouri River NRD understands that it must continue to strictly follow all Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines applicable to the funding of this Federal-aid project; and

**WHEREAS:** Papio-Missouri River NRD and Schemmer Associates wish to enter into a supplemental preliminary engineering services agreement setting out modifications and/or additional duties and/or funding responsibilities for the Federal-aid project.

**BE IT RESOLVED:** by the Board of Papio-Missouri River NRD, Nebraska that:

John Winkler, General Manager of the Papio-Missouri River NRD, is hereby authorized to sign the attached preliminary engineering services Supplemental Agreement No.1 between Papio-Missouri River NRD and Schemmer Associates.

Papio-Missouri River NRD is committed to providing local funds for the project as required by the Project Program Agreement and any Supplemental Project Agreements.

4. Western Douglas County Trail, Construction of New Pedestrian Bridge Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company: Recommendation that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Construction of New Pedestrian Bridge Agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad Company and the Nebraska Department of Transportation, and to execute the required 0.18 acre Permanent and 1.88 acre Temporary Easements, at a price of \$8,060, all for the Western Douglas County Trail Project, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.

**\*Agenda Item 12.C. – Finance, Expenditure and Legal Subcommittee**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting of the Finance, Expenditure and Legal Subcommittee are accepted, incorporated in these minutes, and the following recommendation(s) of the Subcommittee are hereby adopted and approved.

1. Permanent Easement for 180<sup>th</sup> and Giles Road Improvements at WP2 with Sarpy County: Recommendation that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Permanent Easement for 180<sup>th</sup> and Giles Road improvements at WP2 to Sarpy County, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.

**\*Agenda Item 12.D. – Ad Hoc Consultant Selection Subcommittee RFP of Professional Services for the Beltline Trail**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting of the Ad Hoc Consultant Selection Subcommittee RFP of Professional Services for the Beltline Trail are accepted, incorporated in these minutes, and the following recommendation(s) of the Subcommittee are hereby adopted and approved.

1. Initial Screening of Proposals for Consultant Selection Interviews: Recommendation that the Subcommittee request interviews with Big Muddy Workshop, Ehrhart Griffin & Associates, and Schemmer, in the order presented on February 4, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

**\*Agenda Item 13. A.-J. – Treasurer’s Report**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to expend general funds to pay: (l) claims listed in the December 2020 financial report; and, (2) any claims made prior to the next Board meeting for (a) earned salaries of District employees, (b) withholding taxes, (c) social security payments, (d) retirement program contributions, (e) utilities, (f) registration fees and expenses for upcoming meetings and conferences, (g) certified completed CAP and Special Project Area applications, (h) invoices which offer a credit or discount for payment made prior to the next Board meeting, (i) postage, and, (j) building and grounds contract expenses.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to pay, from the respective operating accounts of the Washington County, Dakota County, and Thurston County Water Supply System, the Elkhorn Breakout Project, the Elkhorn River Stabilization Project, the Elk/Pigeon Creek Drainage Project, the Western Sarpy Drainage Project, the Papillion Creek Watershed

Partnership, and the Southern Sarpy Watershed Partnership project bills listed on the December 2020 financial report, and future claims for project utilities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the financial reports be affixed to and made a part of the minutes.

**\*Agenda Item 15.A. Chairperson's Report – Appointment of P-MRNRD Standing Subcommittees**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Standing Subcommittee appointments, as presented by the Chairperson, be approved.