

**Programs, Projects, and Operations
Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2021**

A meeting of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District’s Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittee was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, NE, on February 9, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Conley at 4:36 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 Present
Fred Conley, Chairperson	Tim Fowler, Vice-Chairperson*	Danny Begley	John Winkler
Patrick Bonnett	Rich Tesar*	Larry Bradley	Marlin Petermann
Ted Japp		Phil Davidson	Brent Meyer, Legal Counsel
Kevyn Sopinski		Jim Thompson	Nicole Gust
			Lori Laster (Virtual Attendee)
			Terry Schumacher
			Amanda Grint
			Martin Cleveland
			Becky Applefield, JEO (Virtual Attendee)
			Mike Sotak, FYRA
			Lindy Rogers, FYRA
			Other Staff Members

* Absent

** Alternate Voting Member

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **It was moved by Director Sopinski and seconded by Director Japp that the agenda be adopted.**

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

Voting Yea: Bonnett, Japp, Sopinski, Conley

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Fowler, Tesar

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on February 4, 2021. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

1. Review and Recommendation on Resolution to Adopt the District’s Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan – Lori Laster and Becky Applefield, JEO:

Project Manager Lori Laster reviewed the District’s Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan and reminded the Directors of the requirement that the plan be updated five years. The plan was last updated in 2016. Becky

Applefield, JEO gave a presentation. It was stated that once the District has adopted the plan, it will be submitted to both NEMA and FEMA for review and approval. Lori and Becky answered Directors questions.

It was moved by Director Bonnett and seconded by Director Japp that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the following resolution be adopted:

“WHEREAS the governing body of the Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the District; and

WHEREAS the Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District has prepared a multi-hazard, multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2021 Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS the Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District MultiJurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS adoption by the governing body of Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District demonstrates their commitment to the mitigation of hazards and achieving the goals outlined in the 2021 Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District, does herewith adopt the 2021 Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety”

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

Voting Yea: Bonnett, Japp, Sopinski, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Fowler, Tesar

2. Review and Recommendation on the Southern Sarpy Watershed Partnership Professional Services Contract Amendment 2 with FYRA Engineering – Lori Laster and Mike Sotak, FYRA:

Project Manager Lori Laster reminded the Directors that in October 2016 the Board approved an Interlocal Agreement for the creation of the SSWP, and that also in 2016 FYRA was selected to begin the development of the watershed management plan. Lori reviewed Phases I and II and explained that Phase III is expected to be completed in a year and a half with a not-to-exceed fee of \$411,810 bringing the total contract to \$1,213,558. The SSWP voted to approve the proposed scope and fee for the contract Amendment #2. Mike Sotak, FYRA, gave a presentation. Lori and Mike answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Sopinski and seconded by Director Japp that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed contract Amendment #2 with FYRA Engineering to provide professional services for Phase III of the Southern Sarpy Watershed Management Plan in the amount of \$411,810, making the total maximum not to exceed agreement amount \$1,213,558, 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: Bonnett, Japp, Sopinski, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Fowler, Tesar

3. Review and Recommendation on Modifications to District Policy 17.37 Small Flood Control and Water Quality Structure Program – Terry Schumacher:

Project Manager Terry Schumacher reviewed District Policy 17.37 which was adopted by the Board in February of 2000 and briefed the Directors on the history and purpose of Water Quality Grant Funds in providing reasonable benefit to producers and landowners. Terry stated that the proposed modifications of District Policy 17.37 are intended to help with the goal of improving water quality in the PCW as outlined in the 319 Watershed Plan. Terry answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Sopinski and seconded by Director Japp that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the proposed modifications to District Policy 17.37 Small Flood Control and Water Quality Structure Program be approved.**

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

Voting Yea: Bonnett, Japp, Sopinski, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Fowler, Tesar

4. Review and Recommendation on Agreement with OPPD for Transmission Line Reroute at WP1 – Amanda Grint:

Project Manager Amanda Grint briefed the Directors on the design of WP1 and the continuing coordination with OPPD regarding a transmission line that will need to be relocated for the construction of the WP1 dam and spillway. According to the agreement the District is responsible for the cost of the reroute and will also provide OPPD with a new easement in the reroute area. Amanda reviewed the timeline of the relocation and stated that the estimated cost of the work is \$788,701.21. Amanda answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Japp and seconded by Director Sopinski that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute an agreement with Omaha Public Power District to relocate a portion of a transmission line at the WP1 Regional Detention Basin Project for a maximum cost of \$788,701.21, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager.**

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

Voting Yea: Bonnett, Japp, Sopinski, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Fowler, Tesar

5. Review and Recommendation on Big Papio Levee Culverts Project Phase 2 – Amendment No. 2 to Professional Services Agreement with FYRA Engineering – Martin Cleveland and Lindy Rogers, FYRA:

Project Manager Martin Cleveland briefed the Directors on the professional services contract with FYRA for the BP Levee Culverts Project Phase 2 which was approved in September 2017, and the subsequent Amendment No. 1 that was signed in October 2020. Martin stated that the proposed Amendment No. 2 would allow for additional coordination with the City of Omaha, additional survey work and redesign of culverts due to changed site conditions at an estimated cost of \$19,554.75, revising the agreement not-to-exceed total amount to \$414,332.75. The project is expected to be done in Spring 2021. Martin and Lindy Rogers, FYRA, answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Bonnett and seconded by Director Sopinski that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Amendment No. 2 to Professional Services Agreement with FYRA Engineering, LLC in the amount of \$19,554.75 for the Big Papio Levee Culverts Project Phase 2, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$414,332.75, 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: Bonnett, Japp, Sopinski, Conley

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Fowler, Tesar

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 5:29 p.m.