

MEMORANDUM

TO THE BOARD:

SUBJECT: General Manager's Report

DATE: March 10, 2022

FROM: John Winkler, General Manager



A. INFORMATION/EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS:

The Papio NRD hosted the Metro Regional Envirothon competition on March 1. Concordia Senior High School earned the top spot and will head to the state competition in April. It was a great turnout, and we love seeing students passionate about learning about our natural resources. The Papio NRD offers grants to each school that competes in the metro competition to be used for resources materials or natural resources projects in the classroom.

B. PERSONNEL/MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

1. A sincere thank you to Senator Mike McDonnell for introducing LR 297 to honor Marlin Peterman for his dedication to the practice of engineering, passion for natural resources management, and role in public safety. The full resolution is attached and was also sent to Marlin's family.
2. At this year's NACD annual conference in Orlando, Florida, Nebraska received the 100% district participation award and was recognized for implementing a statewide district official training program.
3. Kaden Dawe was hired to replace Bill Benda as Land Steward. Also, Jason Willis has submitted his resignation as the Blair Water Supply Operator. His last day with the District was February 28th. Kyle Madsen has submitted his resignation as the Papillion Creek Watershed Coordinator (319 Grant funded position). His last day with the District is March 11th. The District is currently advertising for both positions.
4. Connecting with our constituents is a top priority. We're not always able to do so face-to-face, but when we can, it's a greater opportunity to offer our support and expertise. Kudos to Kalani Fortina in the Blair office for receiving a thank you note from Patricia Pinto for helping her take part in the animal habitat program and soil testing. Patricia thanked Kalani for listening and assisting her with her questions and concerns. Job well done, Kalani!

A. 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 February is attached for your review.

B. 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 February 15 is attached for your review.

C. PAPILLION CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP REPORT: The PCWP Subcommittee meeting scheduled for February 24 was canceled. The next meeting is scheduled for March 24.

METRO REGIONAL ENVIROTHON

I&E REPORT



MARCH 2022



- 11 teams competed
- We offer grants to each school for natural resources projects in the classroom



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February 17, 2022

TO: NARD Board, NRD Managers and Conservation Partners
FROM: Dean E. Edson, NARD Executive Director
RE: February 17 NARD Update

Resolution honoring Marlin Petermann – Senator Mike McDonnell introduced LR 297 to honor Marlin Petermann who passed on December 22, 2021. Marlin was the Assistant Manager for the PMRNRD. The full resolution reads as follows:

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 297, Introduced by McDonnell, 5.

WHEREAS, Mr. Marlin John Petermann will be remembered as a loving husband, a devoted father, and a steadfast public servant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petermann attended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where he received Bachelor of Science degrees in civil and agricultural engineering; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petermann served as Assistant General Manager for the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District for almost 48 years and was regarded as an institution in flood fighting efforts to protect the public; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petermann, his team, and various emergency management partners made critical decisions before, during, and after the 2019 flood that not only minimized the immediate destruction, but put in motion strategies that further reduced damage to vital infrastructure and communities, such as Offutt Air Force Base and the city of Bellevue; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petermann was a father of four children and grandfather to nine grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petermann passed away on December 22, 2021, at the age of 72; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petermann will be greatly missed by his family and by the many friends and colleagues to whom he made great contributions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature honors Mr. Marlin John Petermann for his dedication to the practice of engineering, passion for natural resource management, and role in public safety.
2. That the Legislature offers its condolences to the family of Mr. Petermann.
3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Mr. Petermann.

2/8/22

Kalani

Thank you for your assistance!

I got a visit for the Animal Habitat program yesterday and I also received the soil testing step-by-step guide.

I won't be ordering trees this year.

Thanks again for listening and assisting me with my questions and concerns.

Have a blessed day.
Kalani



Updated: February 15, 2022

Current and On-Going Projects Legal Counsel

A = Active Project
B = Next Board Meeting
N = New Assignment

Little Papio: (Cleveland)

Big Papio: (Cleveland)

West Branch: (Cleveland/Grint)

Western Sarpy Dike, Union Dike and No Name Dike: (Cleveland)

- No Name Dike – Sokol Camp High Ground Easement (A)

Floodway Purchase Program: (Laster/Grint)

- Purchase Agreements for Washington/Douglas/Sarpy Acquisition Projects (B)

Trail Projects: (Williams)

Missouri River Corridor Project: (Becic)

USDA PL 566 Projects, Silver Creek and Pigeon/Jones Watershed: (Schumacher/Cleveland/Grint)

Papio Watershed Dam Sites: (Grint/Laster/Williams)

- WP-4 Interlocal Agreements w/Gretna & Sarpy Co. (B)
- Purchase Agreements for WP1 land acquisition (N)
- Big Elk Lake Transfer Deed (A)
- Flowage and Storage Easement at Prairie Queen (A)
- DS12 Land Acquisition (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 Ditch O&M Agreement (A)
- Offutt AFB Storm Sewer Outlets O&M Agreement (A)
- BNSF and UP Agreements and Easements (A)

Rural Water Projects: (Novak)

Other:

- Ownership Transfer for West Maple Elkhorn River Access (Grint) (A)
- Arlington Dog Park – Deed Restriction (Grint) (A)
- Review Director’s Policy Manual (Tait) (A)
- E-500 Professional Service Agreement (2000 edition) (Project Managers) (A)
- Lower Platte Consortium Interlocal Extension (N)