

**Programs, Projects, and Operations
Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2023**

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 May 9, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Conley at 4:00 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 Present
Fred Conley, Chairman		Patrick Bonnett	John Winkler
Tim Fowler, Vice-Chairman		Larry Bradley	Amanda Grint
Ted Japp		Phil Davidson	Brent Meyer, Legal Counsel
Rich Tesar		Josh Henningsen	Tracy Thompson
Jim Thompson		Tim McCormick	Nicole Gust
			Other Staff Members

- * Absent
- ** Alternate Voting Member

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Thompson that the agenda be adopted.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

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

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on May 4, 2023. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

1. FY 2024 Equipment Requirements – Nicole Gust:

Purchasing Agent Nicole Gust explained the process used to determine the equipment replacement budget for FY 2024 and described each of the items proposed for purchase. Director Fowler noted that the drone requested by staff was made in China and suggested that staff research other drone sources. Directors agreed that other options should be presented to the Board for budget consideration. Nicole, John Winkler, General Manager, Bill Warren, O&M Supt., and Bill Brush, IT Manager answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Thompson that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors to approve the proposed FY 2024 Equipment Requirements, subject to funding in the FY 2024 Budget.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

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

2. Chalco Hills Recreation Area Soccer Complex Lease – John Winkler:

General Manager John Winkler reported that the District opened bids for the lease on the Chalco Hills Recreation Area soccer fields on March 31, 2023. Two bids were received for the same amount of \$7,000 per year for 5 years. John stated that legal counsel advised the District to rebid the lease. Bids were opened on May 1, 2023. Two bids were received ranging from \$9,100 per year for five years from the Southwest YMCA to \$12,000 per year for five years from OFC Properties. John recommended that the bid of \$12,000 from OFC Properties be accepted and answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Fowler that the Subcommittee recommend to the full Board of Directors that the District enter into a new Management/Lease Agreement with OFC Properties for \$12,000 per year beginning July 1, 2023 and expiring June 30, 2028 per the terms and conditions outlined in the agreement as presented.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

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

3. Delegation of Authority for CRP contract at WP2 – Amanda Grint:

Assistant General Manager Amanda Grint briefed the Directors on the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contract that was in place when the District purchased a parcel of land from the Armbrust Family Giles Farm, LLC, in May 2021 for WP2 located at 180th and Giles. She reported that part of the land was sold to a developer who started grading before the CRP contract expired in September 2022 and now owes a refund of the CRP contract to Farm Services Agency (FSA). Amanda said that in order to determine the developer's CRP contract payment, the FSA needs to process the whole parcel including the piece the District purchased and a signature from the District is required to process the paperwork. Amanda reviewed the proposed resolution which would allow the General Manager to sign documents related to the expired CRP contract on the Armbrust Family Giles Farm LLC parcel for WP2.

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Tesar that the General Manager be authorized to execute the attached resolution for Farm Services Agency and be authorized to represent and act for the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District in all dealings with the Farm Services Agency for all matters pertaining to the Armbrust Family Giles Farm LLC parcel's expired Conservation Reserve Program contract.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

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

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 4:20 p.m.