

**Programs, Planning, and Operations Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2013**

A meeting of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District's Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittee was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 S. 154th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 7, 2013. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Conley at 6:30 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 in Attendance
John Conley	Patrick Leahy	Fred Conley	Amanda Flynn, USGS
Jim Thompson	Tim Fowler	Curt Frost	Jim Swenson, NGPC
David Klug		Scott Japp	Ken Pollard, Lamp Rynearson
Rich Tesar		Ron Woodle	Tom Bragg, Univ. of Neb-Omaha
Patrick Bonnett			Amanda Grint
			Marlin Petermann
			Lori Laster
			Jim Becic
			Brian Henkel
			Jerry Herbster
			Zachary Nelson
			Heather Borkowski
			Jean Tait
			Bill Brush
			Paul Peters
			Justin Novak
			Marty Thieman
			Terry Schumacher
			Barb Sudrla
			Gerry Bowen
			Shawn Melotz
			Carey Fry
			Dave DeBoer, MUD

Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Klug, seconded by Thompson that the agenda be adopted.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yes: Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting No: None

Abstaining: None
Excused Absent: Leahy, Fowler
Absent: Leahy, Fowler

Proof of Publication of Meeting Notice

Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and in the Omaha World-Herald on May 2 , 2013. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

Update on the District Groundwater Quality Sampling Program – Brian Henkel and Amanda Flynn, U.S. Geological Survey:

Brian Henkel gave a brief overview of the District’s Groundwater Quality Sampling Program that is provided through a partnership with USGS. Amanda Flynn, USGS, gave an update of the 2012 sampling results. Samples have been collected since 1992 to test for agricultural related chemicals in wells. The USGS website (maps.waterdata.usgs.gov/mapper/index.html) is currently being updated with the 2012 results for further detail.

Review and Recommendation on the Extension of Eastern Nebraska Water Resources Assessment (ENWRA) Groundwater Sampling Agreement:

Brian Henkel updated the Directors on the ENWRA Groundwater Sampling Agreement. He noted the one year extension is to do one round of sampling. At the end of this agreement it would be combined into the USGS contract to have one contract, rather than two separate agreements. In the proposed agreement there will be 6 nested wells sampled. Henkel noted the selected wells were well representative of the area and were originally constructed under ENWRA.

It was moved by Klug, seconded by Thompson that the subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Joint Funding agreement with USGS to sample the ENWRA wells for a maximum fee of \$9,500.00, 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 unanimously.

Voting Yes: Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting No: None
Abstaining: None
Excused Absent: Leahy, Fowler
Absent: Leahy, Fowler

Review and Recommendation on the Financial Contribution to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission for the Operation and Maintenance Needs of Summit Lake State Recreation Area:

Jim Becic addressed the main components of the proposed four year contribution of the District to Summit Lake Recreation Area to be \$40,000 annually. This is the 4th year of a 25 year agreement with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission (NGPC) and wouldn’t be renegotiated until 2018. Jim

Swenson and Jason Grof, NGPC, emphasized their appreciation of the partnership and support the NRD has provided for Summit Lake. The contributions have helped to upkeep the operation and maintenance of the area for 45,000 visitors each year. Director Japp asked if there would be consideration of paving the road leading to the entrance of Summit Lake. Swenson noted it has been identified on the NGPC priority list and more investigation is needed in the process. He also noted the annual Operation & Maintenance budget at Summit Lake is approximately \$74,000 and this contribution is greatly appreciated along with those from local groups. The grand opening of the new electrical pads is set for May 18th.

It was moved by Klug, seconded by Bonnett that the subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Amendment ‘A’ to the ”Lease Between Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District and Nebraska Game and Parks Commission of Summit Lake Recreation Area” and to provide an annual, \$40,000.00 District contribution to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission for the next four years beginning on or about July 1, 2013 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 unanimously.

Voting Yes:	Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting No:	None
Abstaining:	None
Excused Absent:	Leahy, Fowler
Absent:	Leahy, Fowler

Review and Recommendation on North Shore Easement for Storm Water Facilities on WP-5 Property:

Amanda Grint briefed the Board on the proposed easements for the North Shore development that sits to the east of the District’s WP-5 property. North Shore is requesting the following three easements:

1. A permanent easement for two stormwater quality basins that will be maintained by the SID and the City of Papillion.
2. A permanent sanitary sewer easement to provide a tie-in to the sanitary sewer main.
3. A temporary grading easement to tie 126th Street into the existing Lincoln Road cul-de-sac. This includes grade changes and stabilization of the 3-1 slope.

Grint noted that all easements are subject to any changes deemed necessary by Paul Peters. There was discussion. Ken Pollard, Lamp Rynearson & Associates, noted that the stormwater quality basins being located off-site of the development allows the bulk of the runoff from the area to be treated and helps to develop more watershed fees.

It was moved by Tesar, seconded by Klug that the subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the Permanent Storm Sewer, Drainage and Stormwater Quality Basin Easement, the Permanent Sanitary Sewer Easement, and the Temporary Grading Easement with SID 292 on the WP-5 project property, 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 to 1-nay.

Voting Yes:	Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, J. Conley
Voting No:	Thompson
Abstaining:	None

Excused Absent: Leahy, Fowler
Absent: Leahy, Fowler

Review and Recommendation on Amendment to Glacier Creek Purchase Agreement:

Amanda Grint gave an update on the Glacier Creek Project. The area currently proposed is 76.16 acres to the north of Allwine Prairie as a view shed and watershed area draining to Glacier Creek. This area was previously platted as residential lots. The District has received NRCS Farm and Ranch Protection Program funds; the land appraisal had to be modified which resulted in \$555,000 in FRPP funding. This has caused a \$75,000 deficiency in funding needed to purchase the area. There is currently \$370,000 in the budget allocated toward the purchase of this property. The additional \$75,000 is proposed to be split with the University of Nebraska, Omaha equally updating the District's contribution to \$407,500.

It was moved by Klug, seconded by Tesar that the subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed amended Glacier Creek Project Purchase Agreement with Heritage, LLC and the University of Nebraska, Omaha in the amount of \$1,822,509, for the 76.16 acres north of Allwine Prairie, with an increased District contribution of \$37,500 bringing the total District contribution to \$407,500 in general fund dollars and \$555,000 in Farm and Ranchland Protection Program grant funds from the Natural Resources Conservation Service, subject to approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yes: Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting No: None
Abstaining: None
Excused Absent: Leahy, Fowler
Absent: Leahy, Fowler

Review and Recommendation on Aerial Photography Contract with MAPA:

Brian Henkel noted the District has participated in the NIROC program for several years. The proposed project for the coming year is for aerial photography to include areas outside of the District's boundaries. The project includes areas of Washington, Douglas, and Sarpy counties being flown at the approximate cost of \$500,000. The proposed contribution of the District is \$50,000.

It was moved by Klug, seconded by Tesar that the subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed funding contract with MAPA to provide aerial services through NIROC for a maximum fee of \$50,000, 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 unanimously.

Voting Yes: Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting No: None
Abstaining: None
Excused Absent: Leahy, Fowler
Absent: Leahy, Fowler

Review and Recommendation on Water Purchase Agreement with Metropolitan Utilities District for Washington County Rural Water #1:

Zach Nelson briefed the Subcommittee on the proposed agreement with M.U.D. The original contract, created in 1978, with addendums added along the way to include emergency water supply to Blair and to provide water to part of Douglas County is set to expire. The main updates to the proposed contract include a 25 year term with automatic renewal along with updates to the required termination notice and flow delivery capacity. Nelson noted the contract does not contain specific water rates to customers.

It was moved by Klug, seconded by Thompson that the subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Agreement for the Sale of Water between Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha and the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District, 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 unanimously.

Voting Yes:	Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting No:	None
Abstaining:	None
Excused Absent:	Leahy, Fowler
Absent:	Leahy, Fowler

Review and Recommendation on Platte River Landing Site Improvements Phase 2 Project Bids:

Jerry Herbster briefed the Subcommittee on the May 3rd bid opening for phase two of the Platte River Landing site improvements. The items included in phase two are a rock trail along the river, three picnic areas along the trail, additional rip-rap along the river bank, additional parking areas, and extension of the boat ramp. There were three bids received with Dostals Construction coming in low with a bid of \$106,500. All bids were under the engineer's estimate of \$125,000. There was discussion. Herbster noted phase three of the project will be coming in FY 2014 to include the development of gaming fields and additional restrooms.

It was moved by Tesar, seconded by Klug that the subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the lowest and best bid for this project, Dostals Construction, for the amount of \$106,500.00, be accepted.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yes:	Bonnett, Klug, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting No:	None
Abstaining:	None
Excused Absent:	Leahy, Fowler
Absent:	Leahy, Fowler

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:35 p.m.