

**Programs, Projects, and Operations  
Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
May 6, 2014**

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 154<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE, on May 6, 2014. 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.

<b>Subcommittee Members Present</b>	<b>Subcommittee Members Absent</b>	<b>Other Directors Present</b>	<b>Others in Attendance</b>
John Conley (Chairperson)		Patrick Bonnett	John Winkler
Jim Thompson (Vice-Chair)		Fred Conley	Marlin J. Petermann
Dave Klug		Curt Frost	Paul Peters
Patrick Leahy		Scott Japp	Jean Tait
Rich Tesar		Ron Woodle	Heather Borkowski
			Ross Hoppock
			Eric Williams
			Carey Fry
			Amanda Grint
			Brian Henkel
			Lori Ann Laster
			Zach Nelson
			Terry Schumacher
			Barb Sudrla
			Bob Gregalunas, FYRA
			Karen Griffin, OA
			Maria Rodriguez, Midwest ROW
			John Meng-Frecker, E&A
			Jesse Bradley, NDNR
			Steve Grasz, Husch Blackwell, LLP
			Jim Swenson, Nebraska Game & Parks
			And others “Sign in Sheet” attached

- \* Absence
- \*\* Alternate Voting Member

**Adoption of Agenda**

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

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea and 0-nay.

Voting Yea: Klug, Leahy, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley  
 Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None  
Absent: None  
Excused Absence: None

**Proof of Publication:** Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on May 1, 2014. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

**1. Review and Recommendation on Draft Voluntary Integrated Management Plan for the Lower Platte River – Brian Henkel:**

Prior to beginning the discussion on the Draft Voluntary Integrated Management Plan, Chairperson John Conley outlined a procedure that was proposed to be used to receive comment on this item. The procedure is attached to the minutes.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Klug that the Subcommittee utilize the proposed procedure for testimony and public comment for agenda item number 6, Review and Recommendation on Draft Voluntary Integrated Management Plan for the Lower Platte River.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea and 0-nay.

Voting Yea: Klug, Leahy, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley  
Voting Nay: None  
Abstaining: None  
Absent: None  
Excused Absence: None

Staff member Brian Henkel and Karen Griffin, Olsson Associates, updated the Subcommittee on Nebraska Department of Natural Resources recommended changes from the plan Directors received in April. Karen Griffin gave a brief presentation on the purpose of the plan and the goals and action items within the plan. Brian stated that adoption of the draft Voluntary Integrated Management Plan is the first step in the process of adoption and implementation and that a Public Hearing would be held on June 12, 2014. If adopted at Thursday's Board meeting, it would begin a 45 day public comment period. There was discussion and comment on the item. The following individuals addressed the Subcommittee:

- Shawn Melotz, 10404 N 144<sup>th</sup> St., Omaha, NE
- Edmond Talbot, Bell Creek Drainage District, 1650 Washington St., Blair, NE
- Scott Japp, 4752 County Rd. 15, Arlington, NE
- Jeff Quist, Washington Co. Board Chairman, 14818 County Rd.14, Blair, NE
- Steve Kruger, 14744 County Rd. 7, Arlington, NE
- Steve Hilgenkamp, 22378 County Rd. 32, Arlington, NE
- Cliff Morrow, Burt County Commissioner, 4691 County Rd. E, Tekamah, NE
- Terry Rasmussen, 25498 County Rd. 12, Arlington, NE

- **It was moved by Director Klug and seconded by Director Tesar that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the draft Integrated Management Plan for the portion of the District within the Lower Platte River Basin be adopted by the District.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea and 0-nay.

Voting Yea: Klug, Leahy, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley  
Voting Nay: None  
Abstaining: None  
Absent: None  
Excused Absence: None

2. **Interlocal Agreement with Nebraska Game & Parks for Operation & Maintenance of the Danish Alps State Recreation Area Project – Terry Schumacher and Jim Swenson, Nebraska Game & Parks:**

Staff member Terry Schumacher and Jim Swenson, Nebraska Game & Parks, discussed the proposed agreement for the management, operation and maintenance of the Danish Alps State Recreation Area Project and the Cost Share Agreement between the District and the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission. The Recreation Area is expected to open to the public in the summer of 2015. The proposed agreement is to commence in 2015 and continue for a five year period. The Directors discussed the layout and features of the recreation plan along with the operating and maintenance budget.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Klug that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Interlocal Agreement with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission for the management, operation and maintenance of the Danish Alps State Recreation Area Project, 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 5-yea and 0-nay.

Voting Yea:	Klug, Leahy, Tesar, Thompson, J. Conley
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Absent:	None
Excused Absence:	None

**Adjournment:** Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 8:44 p.m.