

**Programs, Projects, and Operations  
Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
August 9, 2016**

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 August 9, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Conley at 6:47 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 Leahy*	Patrick Bonnett	John Winkler
Jim Thompson, Vice-Chairperson		Curt Frost	Marlin Petermann
Fred Conley		David Klug	Steve Grasz
Rich Tesar		Ron Woodle	Jean Tait
			Martin Cleveland
			Paul Woodward
			Zach Nelson
			Eric Williams
			Lori Laster
			Other Staff Members
			Dave Lampe, Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig

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

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Conley (Fred) that the agenda be adopted.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 4 yea and 0 nay.

Voting Yea: Conley (Fred), Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)  
 Voting Nay: None  
 Abstaining: None  
 Absent: Leahy

**PROOF OF PUBLICATION:** Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on August 4, 2016. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

**1. Review and Recommendation on West Branch Channel Bank Stabilization Project – Martin Cleveland**

Martin Cleveland explained the need to repair bank erosion on the West Branch Channel in Sarpy County. Five locations will receive riprap to stabilize the channel bank. The District received four bids for the project on July 28, 2016. The apparent low bid is from Niewohner Construction, Inc. for \$486,570. The engineer’s estimate for the project is \$460,520.

- **It was moved by Director Conley (Fred) and seconded by Director Tesar that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute a**

**contract with Niewohner Construction Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$486,570.00 for the construction of the West Branch Channel Bank Stabilization Project.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 4 yea and 0 nay.

Voting Yea: Conley (Fred), Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)  
Voting Nay: None  
Abstaining: None  
Absent: Leahy

**2. Review and Recommendations on the Lower Platte River Consortium Interlocal Agreement – Paul Woodward**

Paul Woodward stated that during the development of the Basin-Wide Water Management Plan for the Lower Platte Basin there was consensus to develop a plan to address serious drought issues in the Lower Platte Basin such as was seen in 2012. The Lower Platte South NRD has organized the Lower Platte River Consortium, consisting of the Lower Platte South NRD, Lower Platte North NRD, Papio-Missouri River NRD, City of Lincoln, Metropolitan Utilities District, and the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources. The Consortium's first proposed action is to develop a Drought Contingency Plan. The total cost for the plan is estimated to be \$550,000. Lower Platte South NRD has received \$200,000 from the US Bureau of Reclamation and has applied for \$195,000 through the Water Sustainability Fund. The District and other partners would contribute no more than \$40,000 over two years.

- **It was moved by Director Thompson and seconded by Director Conley (Fred) that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute an Interlocal Agreement for the Platte River Consortium with the Lower Platte South NRD, Lower Platte North NRD, City of Lincoln, Metropolitan Utilities District, and Nebraska Department of Natural Resources for a maximum cost-share of up to \$40,000, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel; and further that the District's Assistant General Manager and Groundwater Management Engineer be respectfully designated as the District's representative and alternate to the Consortium.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 4 yea and 0 nay.

Voting Yea: Conley (Fred), Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)  
Voting Nay: None  
Abstaining: None  
Absent: Leahy

**3. Review and Recommendation on Washington County Rural Water System and Lakeland Estates Water Company – Zach Nelson**

**a. WCRW System – Lakeland Estates Water Company Water Supply Agreement**

Zach Nelson stated that the Lakeland Estates Water Company is having issues with high iron concentrations in their supply wells. The Lakeland Estates Water Company would like to connect to the Washington County Rural Water System and purchase water at a wholesale rate. This would result in the WCRW System generating an additional \$115,500 per year in revenue.

The following people addressed the subcommittee:

- Shawn Melotz, 10404 N. 132<sup>nd</sup> St., Omaha, NE
- Tanna Wirtz, 1050 W. Bell St., Arlington, NE

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Conley (Fred) that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Washington County Rural Water System and Lakeland Estates Water Company Water Supply Agreement, as presented to the Subcommittee, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel and subject to project financing approval at the District’s September Board Meeting.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 4 yea and 0 nay.

Voting Yea: Conley (Fred), Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)  
 Voting Nay: None  
 Abstaining: None  
 Absent: Leahy

**b. Bids Received for the WCRW System Main Extension – Lakeland Connection Project Construction Contract**

Zach Nelson stated that three bids were received to complete the connection of the Lakeland Estates Water Company to the Washington County Rural Water System. The apparent low bid is from Eriksen Construction for \$226,362.75. The engineer’s estimate for this project is \$254,785.

- **It was moved by Director Conley (Fred) and seconded by Director Thompson that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute a contract with Eriksen Construction for the construction of the Washington County Rural Water – Lakeland Connection Project in the bid amount of \$226,362.75, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel and subject to project financing approval at the District’s September Board Meeting.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 4 yea and 0 nay.

Voting Yea: Conley (Fred), Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)  
 Voting Nay: None  
 Abstaining: None  
 Absent: Leahy

**4. Review and Recommendation on Hell Creek Grade Stabilization Project Change Order #1 – Eric Williams and Dave Lampe, Felsburg Holt & Ullevig**

Eric Williams explained that the Hell Creek Grade Control Stabilization project bid quantities for sheet pile were inconsistent with the design drawings. Staff along with the FHU, the design engineer, and Valley Corp, the contractor, determined that the depth of the sheet pile needs to be increased to meet design specification. The construction timeline also need to be adjusted to allow for materials to be manufactured and delivered to the site. The change order for the additional materials and increased construction time is \$129,339.86, which is more than 110% of the original \$754,653.37 contract.

- **It was moved by Director Conley (Fred) and seconded by Director Thompson that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Change Order to the Valley Corporation construction contract for the Hell Creek Grade Control Stabilization Project in the amount of \$ 129,339.86, bringing the total contract amount to \$ 883,993.23, 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 and 0 nay.

Voting Yea: Conley (Fred), Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Leahy

**ADJOURNMENT**: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:39 p.m.

Minutes were prepared by Lori Laster.