

**Programs, Projects, and Operations
Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2015**

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 September 8, 2015. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Conley at 6:39 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
Fred Conley	Patrick Leahy *	Patrick Bonnett	John Winkler
Tim Fowler **		Curt Frost	Marlin Petermann
Rich Tesar		Scott Japp	Dave Newman
Jim Thompson, Vice-Chairperson		Dave Klug	Lori Laster
John Conley, Chairperson		Ron Woodle	Zach Nelson
			Jean Tait
			Other Staff Members
			Cody Winchester, OWH

- * Absence
- ** Alternate Voting Member

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **It was moved by Director Thompson and seconded by Director Tesar 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: Conley (Fred), Fowler, Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Excused Absence: Leahy
 Absent: Leahy

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on September 3, 2015. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

1. Update on IPA Assessment Increase for the Operation and Maintenance of Elk/Pigeon Creek – Zach Nelson:

Staff member Zach Nelson gave a presentation on the Elk/Pigeon Creek Improvement Project Area (IPA) which outlined historical information of the project, responsibilities, project inspections, cost share for major improvements and funding from special assessments. He stated

that the Elk/Pigeon Creek Advisory Board asked staff to send a survey to landowners living in the IPA regarding an increase to the current assessment. Only 18 of 140 surveys were returned to the District. Management is not recommending a special assessment rate increase at this time.

- This was an information update. No action was taken by the Subcommittee.

2. Review and Recommendation on Bid Opening for Thurston County Rural Water System Rosalie Water Main Extension Construction Contract – Zach Nelson:

Staff member Zach Nelson briefed that in 2014, the Village of Rosalie was awarded a grant from USDA for the improvement of the village’s water main infrastructure, as well as connect the water main system to Thurston County’s Rural Water System. On August 25, 2015, bids were opened for the construction of the nine mile water main extension for the Village of Rosalie. Four bids were received, with the lowest and best bid of \$379,670.55 received from PENRO Construction Company.

- **It was moved by Director Conley (Fred) and seconded by Director Fowler that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute a contract with PENRO Construction Company for the construction of the Thurston County Rural Water – Rosalie Water Main Extension Project in the bid amount of \$379,670.55, 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:	Conley (Fred), Fowler, Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Excused Absence:	Leahy
Absent:	Leahy

3. Review and Recommendation on Addendum to City of Omaha Interlocal Agreement for Papio Watershed Dam Site 15A – Lori Laster:

Staff member Lori Laster briefed the Subcommittee on the proposed addendum to the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Omaha for Papio watershed Dam Site 15A. The changes will allow the City to request additional improvements be designed and constructed by the District at the City’s cost and expense. A copy of the 2012, Interlocal Agreement with the City of Omaha for Papio Watershed Dam Site 15A was distributed to the Board and is attached to the file copy of the meeting minutes.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Conley (Fred) that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute for and on behalf of the District, the proposed First Addendum to the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Omaha for Papio Watershed Dam Site 15A, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approved 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: Conley (Fred), Fowler, Tesar, Thompson, Conley (John)
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Excused Absence: Leahy
Absent: Leahy

4. Review and Recommendation on Bid Opening for Test Hole Drilling and Monitoring Well Construction – Paul Woodward:

Staff member Paul Woodward updated the Subcommittee on the District’s groundwater monitoring well program. On August 31, 2015, bids were opened for test hole drilling and monitoring. Three bids were received with the lowest and best bid of \$195,918.20 received from Sargent Irrigation Company which was above the budgeted amount for this project. Staff recommends a change order, thus removing the monitoring of the well located near Hubbard, Nebraska, due to the close proximity of the Jackson well site. There were questions from committee members and staff addressed the concerns.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Conley (Fred) that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute a contract with Sargent Irrigation Company for test hole drilling and monitoring well construction in the bid amount of \$195,918.20, along with Change Order No. 1 to remove the Hubbard monitoring well site thus reducing the total contract cost to \$137,347.00, 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 on a vote of 5-yea and 0-nay.

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

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:08 p.m.

Minutes were prepared by Jean Tait.