

**Papio-Missouri River NRD
Ad Hoc Consultant Selection Subcommittee
For District Legal Services
Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2014**

A meeting of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District Ad Hoc Consultant Selection Subcommittee for District Legal Services was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, Nebraska on April 1, 2014. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Thompson at 5:00 p.m.

QUORUM CALL

Subcommittee Members Present	Subcommittee Members Absent	Other Directors Present	Others in Attendance
Fred Conley		John Conley	John Winkler
Patrick Leahy			Marlin Petermann
Dave Klug, Vice-Chairperson			Paul Peters
Ron Woodle			Jean Tait
Jim Thompson, Chairperson			

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Chairperson called for approval of the agenda.

- **It was moved by Director Klug, seconded by Director Fred Conley, that the agenda be adopted.**

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

Voting Yea: F. Conley, Leahy, Klug, Woodle, Thompson
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Excused Absence: None
 Absent: None

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public Notice of the meeting was published in the Omaha World Herald on March 27, 2014. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

PRESENTATION BY LAW FIRMS:

General Manager John Winkler provided the Subcommittee with an evaluation rating sheet for use during the interviews of law firms (the evaluation rating sheet is attached as part of these minutes).

Interviews of the four (4) law firms were conducted by the Ad Hoc Subcommittee as follows:

5:00 to 5:30 p.m.	Baird Holm, LLP
5:30 to 6:00 p.m.	Croker, Huck, Kasher, DeWitt, Anderson & Gonderinger, LLC
6:00 to 6:30 p.m.	Husch Blackwell, LLP
6:30 to 7:00 p.m.	Kutak Rock, LLP

After the presentations, there was lengthy discussion regarding the findings from law firms interviewed. The Ad Hoc Subcommittee recommended that the firms of Baird Holm, LLP and Husch Blackwell, LLP, be ranked in the following order:

Husch Blackwell, LLP – Ranked as 1st Choice
Baird Holm LLP – Ranked as 2nd Choice

- **It was moved by Director Klug, seconded by Director Leahy, that the Ad Hoc Subcommittee recommend to the Board, that the District should negotiate an agreement with Husch Blackwell for District Legal Services; and, if the Subcommittee is unable to reach an agreement with Husch Blackwell, the District should commence negotiations with Baird Holm.**

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

Voting Yea:	F. Conley, Leahy, Klug, Woodle, Thompson
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Excused Absence:	None
Absent:	None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:40 p.m.