

**Finance, Expenditure & Legal
Subcommittee Meeting
August 10, 2004
8:15 p.m.
Agenda**

Finance, Expenditure & Legal Subcommittee Members:

Melissa Gardner, Chairperson
Dick Connealy, Vice-Chairperson
John Conley
Barb Nichols
Jim Thompson

Alternate Members: Joe Neary

Staff Liaison: Jim Becic
Martin Cleveland
Jack Lawless *

Dick Sklenar
Trent Heiser

1. Meeting Called to Order – Chairperson Gardner
2. Quorum Call
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Proof of Publication of Meeting Notice
5. Review and Recommendations on Adoption of FY 2005 Budget – Steve Oltmans

NOTE: Dates to Remember for P-MRNRD FY 2005 Budget:

- Budget Hearing and Adoption of FY 2005 Budget at August 12, 2004 Board Meeting
 - Set Tax Levy for FY 2004 at September 9, 2004 Board Meeting
6. Review and Recommendation on Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Flood Reduction Project – Sarpy County Side Riverside Cabins Purchase Agreements [*Executive Session*] – Jack Borgmeyer, Midwest Right-Of- Services, and Martin Cleveland
 7. Other Items of Interest
 8. Adjourn

MEMORANDUM

TO: FEL Subcommittee

SUBJECT: FY 2005 Proposed Budget

DATE: August 2, 2004

FROM: Steven G. Oltmans, General Manager

The following changes have been made to the FY 2005 Draft-2 Budget that was presented at the July 6, 2004 FEL Subcommittee meeting and the July 8, 2004 Board meeting:

Adjustments - Revenue Accounts

	Acct #	Description	Adds (+)
Page 3	#3000	<i>Cash on Hand - General – final figure \$5,174,869.75 vs. 5,267,000 used in Draft 2</i>	- 92,130.25
Page 3	#3001	<i>Cash-County Treasurer's Balance – final figure 185,944.08 vs. 196,000 used in Draft 2</i>	- 10,005.92

Adjustments - Expenditure Accounts

	Acct #	Description	Adds (+)
Page 3	#4191	Election Fees - \$29,000 vs. \$6,000 in Draft 2. Billing from Douglas and Sarpy Counties for the primary election were not received until July so were not paid in FY 2004. Primary election billings were considerably higher (Douglas County - \$13,398.96 and Sarpy County - \$4,962.31) than anticipated.	+ 23,000
Page 6	#4902	Necessary Cash Reserve – \$490,700 vs. \$516,000 in Draft 2.	- 25,300
Page 11	#4430	Floodway Purchase Project (Land Rights) - \$800,000 vs. \$900,000 in Draft 2.	-100,000
Page 26	#3721 thru 4729	Improvement Project Areas – Final figures available for IPAs. Total is \$5,950,710.31 vs. \$5,973,670.70 in Draft 2. These are in/out accounts and do not effect the tax requirements or the tax levy. Remember IPAs receive no general fund dollars. IPAs are self-supporting through assessments, water fees, etc.	- 22,960.39

The results of these changes for FY 2005 are:

Total Operating Budget	\$31,781,456.31
Property Tax Levy	0.040637
Total Property Tax Requirement	\$14,975,911.03

Once again, I would like to point out that final valuation figures from the counties will not be available until mid-August. Depending on the final valuations, the tax levy could be slightly higher or lower than projected tax levy of 0.040637.

It is the GM's recommendation that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District that the attached budget document incorporated herein by reference, showing Total Requirements of \$31,831,456.31 (\$31,781,456.31 – general and \$50,000 – sinking fund) and Property Tax Requirement of \$14,975,911.03 be and is hereby adopted as the Fiscal Year 2005 budget of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District hold a Public Hearing to set the Final Property Tax Request and Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2005 at the September 9, 2004 Board of Directors meeting, after final valuations have been received from Douglas, Sarpy, Dodge, Washington, Burt, Thurston and Dakota Counties.

FACT SHEET

FY 2005 BUDGET – PROPOSED

	FY 2004	FY 2005
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$24.04 million	\$31.78 million
PROPERTY TAX LEVY	0.030637	0.040637*
PROPERTY TAX	\$10,701,231.41	\$14,975,911
STATE AID:	\$ 504,395.76	\$508,862
PROPERTY VALUED AT \$100,000	\$30.63	\$40.63

* Reflects an overall 5% increase in property tax revenues. This is an estimate. Preliminary valuation from Sarpy County = 7.65% increase. Final valuations will not be available from the County Assessors Offices until mid August.

The FY 2005 budget is in compliance with provisions of Nebraska state statutes. The District is limited to a 2.5% increase in restricted funds plus growth, if the growth exceeds 2.5%. The Board can also exceed the limit by 1% with a ¾ vote of the members. The P-MRNRD Board voted not to do so for FY 2005. The following items are lid exceptions that would apply to the District:

1. Capital Improvements (acquisition and improvements to real property)
2. Interlocal Agreements/Joint Public Agency Agreements
3. Repairs to infrastructure damaged by a natural disaster.

The 2.5% lid applies to General expenditures such as the Directors' per diem and expenditures, District's insurance coverage, equipment/vehicles, salaries, utilities, gas, oil and vehicle repairs, etc.

The budget worksheets are divided into 8 major budget categories: General Administration, Information and Education, Flood Prevention, Erosion Control, Water Quality, Recreation, Forestry, Fish and Wildlife and Improvement Project Areas. Each major project is shown on a separate sheet in the budget document detailing revenues and expenses for specific projects.

BUDGET SUMMARY (Major Programs and Projects):

FLOOD CONTROL:

◆ West Branch Papio Creek Flood Improvement (36 th to I-80)	\$1,944,000
◆ Flood Control – Nonstructural (Flood warning system and Ice Jam Contract)	\$170,000
◆ Big Papio Channel Improvement Project (West Center Road to Blondo Street)	\$523,375
◆ Floodway Purchase Program (Elbow Bend – south of Bellevue, Cole Creek in Omaha and acquisition of floodway properties in Douglas and Sarpy Counties)	\$1,207,000
◆ Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Project	\$3,445,000
◆ General Project Maintenance – includes on-going maintenance for District projects, i.e., Union Dike, Elkhorn River, Little Papio, R-613, PL 566 dam sites, etc.	\$613,000
◆ Papio Dam Sites – Private/Public Partnerships that provide joint flood control and rec benefits.	
❖ Professional Services	\$100,000
❖ Land Rights	\$500,000
◆ Papio Reservoir Sites – Sinking Fund - Flood control/multi purpose reservoir(s) are of the utmost importance to the Greater Omaha Area. The Papio Watershed truly has a very high potential for loss of life and property damage from flooding. As urban development continues at a rapid pace, the NRD needs to be more aggressive on achieving the construction of more flood control reservoirs. Opportunities for such are waning, thus, the recommendation for an additional one cent (\$3.5 million) earmarked for the sole purpose of building more reservoirs in a timely manner is being proposed at this time.	\$3,560,000

EROSION CONTROL:

◆ Small Dam Program	\$22,000
◆ Urban Drainageway Cost Share Program	\$300,502
❖ Elkhorn – \$75,632	
❖ LaVista - \$102,570	
❖ Omaha (Carry Over) - \$122,300	
◆ Conservation Assistance Program (Soil conservation/water quality cost-sharing with landowners. Includes special watershed projects, i.e., Silver Creek in Burt County, and Pigeon/Jones Creek in Dakota County.)	\$990,000

WATER QUALITY:

- ◆ Papio Creek Watershed Partnership (Partnership w/communities Within the watershed to address water quality and quantity concerns) \$663,000
- ◆ Sarpy Water/Wastewater Study \$50,000
- ◆ Clean Lakes – Construction of Zorinsky Lake Basin #3 (3rd of 3 payments) - \$250,000; Savannah Shores Basin - \$100,000 \$350,000

OUTDOOR RECREATION:

- ◆ Recreation Development and general O&M for Chalco Hills, Walnut Creek, Prairie View, Platte River and Elkhorn River Rec Sites, development of Elkhorn River Access Site at West Maple Road \$620,000
- ◆ Recreation Area Development Program: \$345,525
 - ❖ South Sioux City - \$50,000
 - ❖ Blair – \$50,000
 - ❖ Omaha (Kiwanis Park) - \$50,000
 - ❖ Bellevue - \$46,000
 - ❖ Gretna – \$57,500
 - ❖ Bennington - \$8,500
 - ❖ Bellevue – \$37,775
 - ❖ Arlington – \$45,750
- ◆ Omaha Neighborhood Parks Program (1st of 4 payments) \$250,000
- ◆ Professional Services – Elkhorn River Canoe Access Study - \$60,000; design shelter at Chalco Hills and trail and road repair - \$40,000 \$100,000
- ◆ Trails: \$440,000
 - ❖ Professional Services
 - MoPac – \$5,000
 - Platte River Trail (Platte Lied Bridge – Hwy 31 connecting trail to Hwy 50) – \$175,000
 - Western Douglas County – \$150,000
 - Pedestrian Bridge Inspection – \$5,000
 - West Papio (Bellevue to Papillion) – \$25,000
 - Hwy 50 Trail (Hwy 370–Springfield) – \$80,000
 - ❖ Construction \$869,787
 - MoPac (Springfield to Platte River) – 270,000
 - West Papio (144th & F) – 75,000
 - West Papio (Papillion to Bellevue) – \$50,000
 - Springfield No. - \$130,000
 - Dakota City - \$60,325
 - Waterloo - \$43,104
 - South Sioux City - \$8,358
 - Bennington - \$45,000
 - Big Papio – \$188,000
 - ❖ Land Rights: Hwy 50 to Hwy 370 – \$300,000 and other - \$50,000 \$350,000

FORESTRY, FISH AND WILDLIFE:

◆ Wetland Banking	\$92,000
◆ Missouri River Corridor Project	
❖ Professional Services –	\$120,000
○ Missouri River remaining Trail Design Phase I - \$44,000	
○ Missouri River Trail Design – Phase II (N.P. Dodge Park north to Washington County line) - \$66,000	
○ Appraisals, title commitments and surveys at Lower Decatur - \$7,500	
○ NRD/Omaha Tribal agreement at Blackbird Site - \$2,500	
❖ Construction	\$1,629,500
○ Lower Decatur Bend - \$616,000	
○ Nathan’s Lake Icon/Site Development - \$50,000	
○ Miller Land Park (2 nd of 5 payments) - \$200,000	
○ Washington County Asphalt Trail to Boyer Chute – \$172,000	
○ Pedestrian bridge (3rd of 3 payments) – \$334,000	
○ Bellevue Riverfront Development (1st of 4 payments) - \$250,000	
○ O&M for Back to the River sites – \$7,500	
❖ Land Rights – ROW for Lower Decatur Bend - \$500,000 and Other - \$25,000	\$525,000

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:

◆ Dakota County Service Center in Dakota City, NE	\$958,000
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If you have any questions regarding this material, please feel free to contact me.

Memo(s) for the following agenda item(s) are posted under FEL “Confidential” on the District’s website at www.papionrd.org.

Agenda Item #6: Review and Recommendation on Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Flood Reduction Project – Sarpy County Side Riverside Cabins Purchase Agreements [*Executive Session*]