



**PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER
NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 12, 2004**

MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District Board of Directors was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 S. 154th Street, Omaha, NE on August 12, 2004. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Rich Jansen, at 8:00 p.m.

QUORUM CALL: The following Directors were present for the Quorum Call:

Fred Conley	Barb Nichols
John Conley	Rich Tesar
Dick Connealy	Jim Thompson
Tim Fowler	Rich Jansen
Joe Neary	

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **MOTION NO. 1:** It was moved by Director John Conley and seconded by Director Fred Conley that the following resolution be adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda be adopted.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea	-	Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay	-	None
Abstaining	-	None
Absent	-	Gardner
Absence Excused	-	Gardner

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA:

- **MOTION NO. 2:** It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Neary that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following resolutions on the consent agenda are hereby adopted.

Agenda Item 3.A.:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following Director(s) have an excused absence from the August 12, 2004 Board of Directors Meeting:

Melissa Gardner

Agenda Item 6 A. & B.:

BE IT RESOLVED that the July 8, 2004, Papio-Missouri River NRD Board meeting minutes be approved as printed.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

PROOFS OF PUBLICATION OF MEETING NOTICE: Notice of the meeting was published in the Omaha World Herald on August 4, 2004. The District's June, 2004, expenditures were published in the Papillion Times on July 29, 2004. The Chairperson ordered the Proofs of Publication recorded in the minutes of this meeting. (They are contained as part of the file copy of these minutes.)

AGENCY AND ASSOCIATION REPORTS:

A. Sarpy County Sheriff's Department: Lt. Russell Zeeb, Sarpy County Sheriff's Department, thanked the District for its assistance in recovering the body of Jesse Greise, who drowned in the Papillion Creek on July 22nd. He specifically thanked staff members Bill Warren, Ron Lehman, Jerry Herbster and Randy Lee. GM Oltmans pointed out that the District depends on the Sarpy County Sheriff's Department for law enforcement at Chalco Hills and Walnut Creek Recreation Areas.

B. Natural Resources Conservation Service: Don Doty, District Conservationist at the NRCS office, reported on NRCS activities for the past month. His report is posted to the District's website.

C. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts: Director Tesar reported that the NARD Annual Conference would be held September 26-28, 2004, at the Holiday Day Inn Convention Center in Kearney, NE. He distributed information regarding the conference and encouraged Directors to attend.

D. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance Report: Rodney Verhoeff, Alliance Coordinator, noted that the LPRCA monthly report had been posted to the District's website. He thanked the District for helping and participating in the Platte River Air Boat Tour that was held on July 23rd. He also reminded the Board about the Water Quality Open that will be held on September 1, 2004, at Arbor Links Golf Course in Nebraska City. Rodney then introduced Craig Wacker who will be working as an intern for the Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance.

PUBLIC HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AREA FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY RURAL WATER SYSTEM #2: Chairperson Jansen appointed GM Oltmans as ring Officer. Hearing Officer Oltmans introduced the following exhibits:

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| Exhibit A | Agenda |
| Exhibit B | Proof of Publication of Hearing Notice (Published in the Omaha World Herald on July 21, July, 28 and August 4, 2004) |
| Exhibit C | Map |
| Exhibit D | Expansion of Rural Water and Petition |
| Exhibit E | WCRW Study, prepared by HGM Associates, Inc. |
| Exhibit F | Agenda and Sign-In Sheets from March 26, 2004 Public Meeting |
| Exhibit G | Supplemental Report, prepared by HGM Associates, Inc. |
| Exhibit H | Newspaper Articles: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ December 11, 2003, Omaha World Herald article – New Washington County water system to solve several problems.▪ November 23, 2003, Blair Enterprise editorial – Rural water plan good for everyone involved. |
| Exhibit I | Application for Water Service – Consumer's Agreement and Benefit Unit Certificate |
| Exhibit J | Rural Water Supply System Rules and Regulations |

Dick Sklenar, Project Manager, reported that a study was conducted by HGM Associates to evaluate the feasibility of constructing a rural water system in Washington County. The study area was bounded by the City of Blair on the north, Fort Calhoun on the east, the Big Papio Creek on the West and the County line to the south. Surveys were distributed to residents of the area to determine their interest. Based on the response, it was determined that only a portion of the original area was feasible. He pointed out the area on the project map. He reported that the District has a 25-year water service contract with the City of Blair. He also indicated that 265 people have signed up and that the hookup fee is \$3,500. He reported that the timetable for the project was as follows:

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| August 12, 2004 | Board awards contract for construction of water tower |
| November 18, 2004 | Board awards contract for construction of distribution system |
| November, 2005 | Washington County Rural Water System #2 on line |

Mr. Oltmans then opened the floor to the public. There were no comments. Hearing Officer Oltmans then closed the Public Hearing and returned the floor to Chairperson Jansen.

- **MOTION NO. 3** It was moved by Director John Conley and seconded by Director Tesar that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Pappio-Missouri River Natural Resources District (“NRD”) has been petitioned by residents to establish a revenue-producing special improvement project area to distribute water to portions of Washington County, Nebraska; and,

WHEREAS, the NRD has determined that a public hearing should be held on August 12, 2004, on such petition and on its own motion, on the questions of the desirability and necessity, in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare, of the establish of such an improvement project area and the undertaking of such a project, upon the question of the appropriate boundaries describing affected land, upon the propriety of such petition, and upon all relevant questions regarding such inquiries; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, having held such public hearing, and after consultation with appropriate agencies of state and local government, the Board of Directors of the NRD hereby finds and determines that such proposed project conforms with the goals, criteria, and policies of sections 2-3201 to 2-3257 and 2-32,109 to 2-32,114 and that a revenue-producing special improvement project, to be referred to as “Washington County Rural Water System No. 2”, should be and is hereby established to distribute water in the area and portions of Washington County, Nebraska, depicted in and described on the map introduced as Exhibit “C” at such public hearing.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee: Director John Conley reported that the PPO Subcommittee had met on August 10, 2004 and gave a brief recap of the meeting.

- **MOTION NO. 4** It was moved by Director John Conley and seconded by Director Fred Conley that the following resolution be adopted:

Amendment No. 2 to Papillion Creek Watershed-Stage II Study Agreement with HDR Engineering to Add Financing Options Assessment of Multi-Reservoir Analysis

WHEREAS, the intent of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District is to develop plans for Papio Watershed Dam Sites 1 and 3C that are consistent with the following goals and objectives:

1. Minimize acres taken from the tax rolls,
2. Maximize dollars received by original landowners for land rights,
3. Minimize tax dollars that are spent by the District to develop such projects, and
4. Maximize the tax valuation of Washington County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District that the District shall first complete its preliminary plans for Dam Sites 1 and 3C and thereafter hold a series of public meetings to study and determine the development methods that are most feasible for the District and most acceptable to the landowners, citizens and supervisors of Washington County.

Director John Conley opened the floor to the public regarding the resolution on the floor. The following members of the public addressed the Board in opposition to the resolution:

- ➔ Jennifer Andersen, 7272 County Road 25, Kennard, NE
- ➔ Patrick Rinn, 1101 S. 63 St., Omaha, NE
- ➔ Todd Andersen, 7272 County Road 25, Kennard, NE
- ➔ Mel Hoier, Herman, NE
- ➔ Kay Haslam, 205 W. 6th Street, Kennard, NE
- ➔ Brenda Galvan, 15449 Reagan, Washington, NE
- ➔ Cynthia Timmermier, 17688 County Road 40, Kennard, NE

There was extended discussion.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion failed on a vote of 2-yeas and 7-nays.

Voting Yea	-	Conley (Fred), Tesar
Voting Nay	-	Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Thompson, Jansen
Abstaining	-	None
Absent	-	Gardner
Absence Excused	-	Gardner

- **MOTION NO. 5** It was moved by Director John Conley and seconded by Director Fowler that the following resolutions be adopted:

PPO Recommendation #1. Amendment No. 2 to Papillion Creek Watershed-Stage II Study Agreement with HDR Engineering to Add Financing Options Assessment of Multi-Reservoir Analysis: Recommendation that the General Manager be authorized to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Papillion Creek Watershed Study – Stage II Contract with HDR Engineering, inc., and increase the maximum fee from \$370,000 to \$434,000.

Marlin Petermann explained that the proposed increase in fees for HDR would provide financial strategies for construction of the dam sites and completion and enhancement (with hyperlinks) of the draft report. There was discussion.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion failed on a vote of 4-yes and 5-nays.

Voting Yea - Conley (John), Fowler, Tesar, Jansen
Voting Nay - Conley (Fred), Connealy, Neary, Nichols, Thompson
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

- **MOTION NO. 6** It was moved by Director Conley (John) and seconded by Director Connealy that the following recommendation be adopted:

PPO Recommendation #2 Approval of Schematics and Preliminary Plans for the Amphitheater at Walnut Creek Recreation Area – Recommendation that the District give written approval to the preliminary plans for the Amphitheater, that the Papillion Area Concert Band (PACB) be required to provide final plans and cost estimates as required by the existing agreement, and that the lease between the District and the PACB clearly delineate that PACB will be responsible for operation and maintenance of the parking lot.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

- **MOTION NO. 7** It was moved by Director Conley (John) and seconded by Director Neary that the following recommendation be adopted:

PPO Recommendation #3 Draft Cooperative Agreement with Game and Parks for Youth Mentored Hunting on Vencil's Island – Recommendation that the General Manager be authorized to negotiate an agreement with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission for youth-mentored hunting and fishing on the Glasshoff tract at Vencil's Island in Sarpy County with the provision that the youth waterfowl hunting on the Glasshoff tract be limited to the current two-day youth season; and, that the agreement be brought back to the Board for approval.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

- **MOTION NO. 8** It was moved by Director Conley (John) and seconded by Director Connealy that the following recommendation be adopted:

PPO Recommendation #4 Bids for Silver Creek Watershed Sites 32 and 33 – Recommendation that the bid of Glup Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$153,996.82 for construction of Silver Creek Sites 32 and 33, be approved and accepted, and that the General Manager be authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

- **MOTION NO. 9** It was moved by Director John Conley and seconded by Director Fred Conley that the following resolutions be adopted:

PPO Recommendation #5. Contract Award for Washington County Rural Water #2 Water Tower – Recommendation that the bid from Landmark Structures in the amount of \$1,377,000 for construction of the Washington County Rural Water System #2 water tower be approved and accepted, and that the General Manager be authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

B. Finance, Expenditure and Legal Subcommittee: Director Connealy reported that the FEL Subcommittee had met on August 10, 2004 and gave a brief recap of the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING -- Papio-Missouri River NRD FY 2005 Budget:

Director Connealy appointed General Manager Oltmans as Hearing Officer. Hearing Officer Oltmans submitted the following exhibits for the record.

- Exhibit 1 - Agenda
- Exhibit 2 - Proof of Publication of Hearing Notice and Budget Summary -- Omaha World-Herald – August 6, 2004
- Exhibit 3 - Fact Sheet - FY 2005 Budget
- Exhibit 4 - P-MRNRD FY 2005 Expenditures/Revenues Pie Chart
- Exhibit 5 - FY 2005 Budget Worksheets
- Exhibit 6 - 2004 Tax Levy Comparisons

Mr. Oltmans then reviewed the proposed budget. The proposed budget calls for total requirements of \$31,831,456.31 (\$31,781,456.31 – general and \$50,000 – sinking funds). The total property tax requirement is \$14,975,911.03. The projected tax levy is 0.040637. It was noted that the District has not received final valuations from the County Assessors’ Offices. These would be available by August 20th; therefore, the final valuation will more than likely be lower than the projected tax levy. The Board will hold a public hearing at the September 9, 2004 Board meeting to formally set the tax levy for FY 2005. Mr. Oltmans then reviewed specific District programs and projects.

Mr. Oltmans then opened the floor to the public. The following individual(s) addressed the Board:

- ➔ Doug Kagan, 12320 Williams, Omaha, NE, representing the Nebraska Taxpayers for Freedom (A copy of Mr. Kagan’s statement is attached to the file copy of these minutes.)
- ➔ Clyde Anderson, 7020 Burt St., Omaha, NE, representing the Missouri Valley Group – Sierra Club (A copy of Mr. Anderson’s statement is attached to the file copy of these minutes.)

- ➔ Jennifer Andersen, 7272 County Road 25, Kennard, NE
- ➔ Paul Meyer, 14823 Drexel Street, Omaha, NE

There were no further comments.

Hearing Officer Oltmans then closed the Public Hearing and returned the floor to Director Connealy and the FEL Subcommittee report.

- **MOTION NO. 10** It was moved by Director Connealy and seconded by Director Tesar that the following recommendation be adopted:

FEL Recommendation #1: FY 2005 Budget:

*** ADOPTION OF FY 2005 BUDGET**

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.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 8-yeas and 1-nay.

Voting Yea	-	Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay	-	Neary
Abstaining	-	None
Absent	-	Gardner
Absence Excused	-	Gardner

- **MOTION NO. 11** It was moved by Director Connealy and seconded by Director Nichols that the following recommendation be adopted:

Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Flood Reduction Project – Sarpy County Side Riverside Cabins Purchase Agreements - Recommendations: (1) that the General Manager be authorized to execute a purchase agreement for the Site 8L (Closner) permanent levee easement calling for a purchase price of \$1,000; and (2) that, in accordance with the following resolution, eminent domain proceedings be filed by the DISTRICT to acquire the Site 2L (Hansen), 5L (Grothe), and 6L Vosler easements.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District (hereinafter "the **DISTRICT**") has contractually agreed with the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA that the DISTRICT will co-sponsor the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK FLOOD REDUCTION PROJECT (hereinafter referred to as "the **PROJECT**"); and,

WHEREAS, the PROJECT is a plan, facility, work and program relating to prevention of damages from floodwater and sediment, and relating to flood prevention and control, all within the contemplation of Section 3-3229, R.R.S., 1997; and, therefore, the DISTRICT is authorized to participate in the PROJECT; and,

WHEREAS, the PROJECT will provide a predominantly general benefit to the DISTRICT with only incidental special benefit, within the contemplation of Section 2-3252, R.R.S., 1997; and the DISTRICT'S participation in the PROJECT should be financed with any available funds of the DISTRICT; and,

WHEREAS, as part of contractually agreeing to sponsor the PROJECT, the DISTRICT has agreed to acquire lands, easements and rights-of-way that are necessary for construction, operation and maintenance of the PROJECT; and,

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT has identified certain levee easements, flowage easements, and cabin-raise easements (hereinafter referred to collectively as "the **EASEMENTS**") in the respective forms as reflected in the DISTRICT'S files, which are necessary to be acquired by the DISTRICT for construction, operation and maintenance of certain portions or aspects of the PROJECT; and,

WHEREAS, the parcels of land over which the EASEMENTS must be acquired (hereinafter referred to collectively as "the **EASEMENT AREAS**") are particularly described in the legal descriptions referred to in the DISTRICT'S files as Site 2L (Hansen), Site 5L (Grothe) and Site 6L (Vosler); and,

WHEREAS, economic and physical feasibility, including the respective locations of the Platte River, existing levees, existing buildings, and other existing improvements, necessitate that the PROJECT occupy the EASEMENT AREAS; and,

WHEREAS, a professional real estate appraiser retained by the DISTRICT fully appraised the damages that will be sustained by the owners (including lessees) of the EASEMENT AREAS (hereinafter referred to collectively as "the OWNERS") as a result of the DISTRICT'S acquisition of the EASEMENTS; and,

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT retained negotiators who contacted the OWNERS on behalf of the DISTRICT and who offered to pay to the OWNERS amounts of the money equal to the full fair market value of the damages that will be sustained by the OWNERS as a result of the DISTRICT'S acquisition of the EASEMENTS, as such damages were appraised by the professional real estate appraiser retained by the DISTRICT; and,

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT'S negotiators have contacted the OWNERS, and have made repeated, reasonable efforts in person, by telephone and by other means to negotiate with the OWNERS, and to induce the OWNERS to voluntarily accept the DISTRICT'S offers of damages and voluntarily grant the EASEMENTS to the DISTRICT, but that such negotiations and inducements have failed and the DISTRICT has not been able to acquire the EASEMENTS on a voluntary basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT does hereby find, determine and resolve as follows, to-wit:

- A. The statements made in the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby adopted as the findings and determinations of this Board of Directors; and,
- B. For purposes of the PROJECT it is necessary that the DISTRICT acquire the EASEMENTS; and,
- C. In order for the DISTRICT to acquire the EASEMENTS, and in the absence of voluntary grants of the EASEMENTS to the DISTRICT, it is necessary that the DISTRICT exercise the right of eminent domain, granted to it by Section 2-3234, R.R.S., 1997; and,
- D. Approvals by other agencies are not required to authorize such action; and,
- E. The DISTRICT'S legal counsel should be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to initiate the filing of one or more petitions in the County Court of Sarpy County, Nebraska, on behalf of the DISTRICT, for the appointment of appraisers to ascertain and determine the

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to pay, from the respective operating accounts of the Dakota County, Thurston County and Washington County #1 and Washington County #2 rural water supply projects, the Elkhorn River Bank Stabilization Project, the Elkhorn Breakout Project, the Elk/Pigeon Creek Drainage Project, and the Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Project, the project bills listed on the July, 2004, financial report, and future claims for project utilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the financial reports be affixed to and made a part of the minutes.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT:

A. District Policy regarding Development of State Legislation: Chairperson Jansen noted that the PLPA Subcommittee had recommended an amendment to District Policy 12.7 General Manager – Monthly Report to include the following: “Paragraph E. A report on state legislative proposals contemplated or recommended by Management.” Pursuant to Policy 1.5 this item was tabled at the July Board meeting.

- **MOTION NO. 13:** It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Neary that amendments to District Policy 12.7 be taken from the table.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
Voting Nay - None
Abstaining - None
Absent - Gardner
Absence Excused - Gardner

- **MOTION NO. 14:** It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director John Conley that the amendments to the policy entitled “District Policy 12.7 General Manager – Monthly Report” be approved and incorporated into the District Policy Manual.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
 Voting Nay - None
 Abstaining - None
 Absent - Gardner
 Absence Excused - Gardner

B. Subcommittee Appointments: Chairperson Jansen distributed a memo to Directors asking them to indicate their preference for Subcommittee assignments. He asked that the form be returned by August 23rd so appointments could be made at the September Board meeting.

C. September 9, 2004 Board Meeting Activities: Chairperson Jansen reminded Directors that the September Board meeting will be held in the Dakota City, City Council Chambers. The following is the schedule for the day:

12:30 p.m. Directors' Tour
 5:45 p.m. Dinner at Vince Kramper's Farm
 7:45 p.m. Groundbreaking for Dakota County Service Center
 8:00 p.m. Board Meeting at Dakota City, City Council Chambers (Public Hearing to Set Tax Levy)

D. Resignation of Director Melissa Gardner and Filling Vacancy in Subdistrict #7: Chairperson Jansen distributed a letter from Director Gardner indicating that she was moving to Colorado and was resigning from the Board. The Chairperson then declared a vacancy in Subdistrict #7.

•• **MOTION NO. 15**: It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Connealy that District Policy 2.1 be waived and that the seat be left vacant until after the general election and the duly elected Director from Subdistrict #7 is sworn in at the January, 2005 Board meeting.

Roll call vote was held on the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Voting Yea - Conley (Fred), Conley (John), Connealy, Fowler, Neary, Nichols, Tesar, Thompson, Jansen
 Voting Nay - None
 Abstaining - None
 Absent - Gardner
 Absence Excused - Gardner

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: GM Oltmans noted that his report had been posted to the website and asked Directors to contact him if there were any questions.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A. Future Meetings: The Chairperson reviewed the following upcoming meetings with the Directors:

August 17, 2004	Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance Quarterly Meeting, 9:30 a.m., NRC
August 31, 2004	Nebraska Legislature Natural Resources Committee Hearing, NRC – Board Room at 1:30 p.m.
September 1, 2004	Water Quality Open, Nebraska City, NE
September 7, 2004	P-MRNRD Subcommittee Meetings
September 9, 2004	P-MRNRD Board Meeting Activities
	12:30 p.m. Directors’ Tour
	5:45 p.m. Dinner at Vince Kramper’s Farm
	7:45 p.m. Groundbreaking for Dakota County Service Center
	8:00 p.m. Board Meeting at Dakota City, City Council Chambers (Public Hearing to Set Tax Levy)
Sept, 26-28, 2004	NARD Annual Conference, Kearney, NE
October 12, 2004	P-MRNRD Subcommittee Meetings
October 14, 2004	P-MRNRD Board Meeting
October 14-15, 2004	Law of the Missouri River – Water Rights, Management and Policy, Sheraton Hotel, Omaha, NE

B. Other Information Items: Don Doty announced that this was his last Board meeting as District Conservationist. He thanked the District for their support. Neil Stockfleth, Resources Conservationist at the South Sioux City NRCS office, will be the Acting District Conservationist until a replacement is hired.

C. Next Meeting: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the P-MRNRD Board of Directors will be held on September 9, 2004, at the Dakota City, NE, City Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m. by acclamation.

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Pappio-Missouri River Natural Resources District, hereby certify that the foregoing are true and correct minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District held on August 12, 2004, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the District; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; and, that all news media requesting notification of the meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting.

Richard Tesar
District Secretary