

**Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittees
Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2007**

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, Nebraska, on March 6, 2007. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson John Conley at 7:02 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
John Conley		Dorothy Lanphier	John Winkler
Rich Tesar		Jim Thompson	Marlin Petermann
Fred Conley		Richard Patterson	Gerry Bowen
David Klug			Jim Becic
Rick Kolowski			Paul Woodward
			Dick Sklenar
			Martin Cleveland
			Trent Heiser
			Larry Foster, Omaha
			Gayle Malmquist, BttR
			John Engel, HDR
			Paul Peters
			Pam Dingman, EDC
			Laurie Carrette-Zook, HDR

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Kolowski that agenda be adopted.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: John Conley, Rich Tesar, Fred Conley , David Klug, Rick Kolowski

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on March 1, 2007.

CITY OF OMAHA AND BACK TO THE RIVER, INC. COST SHARE REQUEST FOR MISSOURI RIVER PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PARK PROJECT: Jim Becic introduced the topic and Larry Foster, City of Omaha Parks Department, Gayle Malmquist and Pete Castellano, Back to the River, Inc. (BttR). Foster showed slides of the Pedestrian Bridge construction

progress and discussed the cost share request from Omaha and BttR for the Missouri River Pedestrian Bridge Park Project. Gayle Malmquist explained the master plan for the overall approximately \$4 million project for Iowa and Nebraska sides of the river. Larry Foster reviewed the components of the \$2.3-2.5 million project on the Omaha side of the river for which the \$200,000 in NRD funds are being sought. Pete Castellano discussed how the pedestrian bridge connects area trails and completes the riverfront features. There were questions from the Subcommittee about contributions received to date by BttR, how BttR operates and how they expend received funds. Malmquist indicated that BttR has received \$40,000 to date and that all BttR Board members serve as volunteers and are not paid. Director John Conley asked about recognition for the NRD grants for the Bridge and this project (\$1,200,000) via a sign at the bridge project and Malmquist indicated that BttR will address that request via some yet to be determined signage.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Klug, that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the District assist Back to the River Inc.'s fundraising efforts by cost sharing with the City of Omaha in the amount of \$200,000 for construction of the Missouri River Pedestrian Bridge Park Project; and that the General Manager be authorized to provide such funds to the City upon the City's execution of the District's Recreation Area Development Program's Special Operation and Maintenance Agreement.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: John Conley, Rich Tesar, Fred Conley, David Klug, Rick Kolowski
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

PAPIO DAM SITES 1 AND 3C PRELIMINARY DESIGN/STUDY CONTRACT WITH HDR ENGINEERING, INC.:

- a. **Review and Recommendation on Contract Amendment No. 1 – Development of Regional Detention Facility Alternative:** Paul Woodward updated the Subcommittee on the status of the Papio Reservoir Sites 1 and 3C Preliminary Design/Study, work completed to date and explained the proposed contract amendment to further study the regional detention basin alternative to flood control in lieu of Dam Site 1 and 3C. He noted that the amendment task order is estimated to cost \$98,687, increasing the total maximum contract cost to \$720,594. Shawn Melotz addressed the Subcommittee on a number of items. In response to a question from Director Fred Conley, John Engel, HDR indicated that this work will add 1 month to the original project completion date.
 - **It was moved by Director Tesar, and seconded by Director Kolowski, that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the professional services contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the Papio Reservoir Sites 1 and 3C Preliminary Design/Study, increasing the maximum contract fee to \$720,594.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: John Conley, Rich Tesar, Fred Conley, David Klug, Rick Kolowski
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

- b. **Review of Contract Status and Additional Services:** Woodward discussed the status of contract expenditures to date (\$543,946.48) and the anticipated overage of \$94,649, beyond contract not to exceed amount of \$621,907. If expenditures occur as anticipated, work being done by HDR beyond the original contract scope may need to be covered in a contract amendment. He noted that HDR and NRD staff will seek to minimize the overage amount, where they can find opportunities to do so.

MISSOURI RIVER TRAIL PHASE 2 AGREEMENT WITH NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS: Jim Becic updated the Subcommittee on the status of the Missouri River Trail – Phase 2 Project and discussed the Nebraska Department of Roads requirement for an agreement to be executed between NDOR and the District in order to obtain cost share for the Trail Project. The maximum amount to be funded through this agreement is \$500,000, with the District paying a minimum of 20% of the construction cost. The District will be responsible for operation and maintenance of the trail.

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley, and seconded by Director Tesar, that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board that the General Manger be authorized to execute the Resolution and Project Agreement between the District and the Nebraska Department of Roads for the Missouri River Trail – Phase 2 Project.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: John Conley, Rich Tesar, Fred Conley, David Klug, Rick Kolowski
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

MOPAC EQUESTRIAN TRAIL BIDS: Gerry Bowen discussed the Equestrian Trail improvements planned, the bid received, Mopac Horse Council approval of bid and management recommendation to accept the Camden Excavating Bid of \$49,392.48 for this work. He noted that the Horse Council will be contributing about \$6,000 towards this project cost and he plans on having a letter from them to that effect by the Board meeting.

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Kolowski, that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to execute a construction contract in the amount of \$49,392.48 with Camden Excavating for the MoPac Equestrian Trail Project, subject to approval by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: John Conley, Rich Tesar, Fred Conley, David Klug, Rick Kolowski
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SID 177 (FOX RIDGE ESTATES) AND SID 197 (HEARTLAND HILLS) FOR PL566 SITE S-27: Martin Cleveland explained the history of the S-27 dam rehabilitation project and the need to remove and replace the existing SID trail, due to the rehabilitation. He noted that the SIDs will provide a no cost permanent easement over approximately one acre of SID property for the construction, operation and maintenance of the S-27 dam; that the SIDs will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the trail; and the SIDs will reimburse the District for up to \$50,000 of the trail replacement construction cost.

- **It was moved by Director Fred Conley and seconded by Director Klug, that the Subcommittee recommends to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to sign an Interlocal Cooperation Act Agreement for Trail Reconstruction with Fox Ridge Estates and Heartland Hills SIDs, subject to approval as to form by legal counsel.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: John Conley, Rich Tesar, Fred Conley, David Klug, Rick Kolowski

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

LOGO ON WASHINGTON COUNTY RURAL WATER #2 WATER TOWER: Dick Sklenar indicated that a few Board members inquired about having the NRD logo on the Blair water tower along Highway 133. A proposal from Maquire Iron Inc. for doing the work was presented.

It was moved by Director Fred Conley that the Subcommittee table this subject. The Table motion died due to lack of a second.

It was moved by Director Tesar that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the Maguire Iron, Inc. proposal for painting a 3 color District logo on the Blair Water Tower for the price of \$15,440 be accepted. Motion died due to lack of a second.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Klug, that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that staff investigate options for NRD signage within the site of Washington County Rural Water #2 service area.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

Voting Yea: John Conley, Rich Tesar, Fred Conley, David Klug, Rick Kolowski

Voting Nay: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 8:15 p.m.