

**Finance, Expenditure and Legal Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2008**

A meeting of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District's Finance, Expenditure and Legal Subcommittee was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 6, 2008. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Connealy at 7:50 p.m.

QUORUM CALL: Quorum call was taken. The following subcommittee members were in attendance.

Subcommittee Members Present	Subcommittee Members Absent	Other Directors	Others Present
<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> Richard Connealy Richard Patterson John Conley Dorothy Lanphier Tim Fowler	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/>	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> Jim Thompson Rich Kolowski David Klug Fred Conley John Schwoppe	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> P-MRNRD Staff: Jean Tait Trent Heiser Jack Lawless Emmett Egr Ralph Puls Jim Becic Marlin Petermann Ryan Trapp Bill Warren Pat Teer Dick Sklenar Terry Schumacher Marty Thieman Jerry Herbster Tom Pleiss Paul Peters, Legal Counsel

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on May 1, 2008. The Chairperson ordered the Proof of Publication recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: The Chairperson called for discussion on the tentative agenda.

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Lanphier that the agenda be adopted.**

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

Voting Yea: Connealy, Patterson, Conley (John), Lanphier, Fowler
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

ESTABLISHING A FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER QUALITY PROJECTS AND PRACTICES SPECIAL RESERVE FUND: John Winkler opened discussion by explaining the need for a special reserve fund to provide for the timely availability of funds for future expenditures required for the establishment, construction, operation and maintenance of flood control and water quality projects and practices, including but not limited to low-impact development best management measures, flood plain buyouts, dams, reservoir basins and levees.

The following individual addressed the Subcommittee:

- Shawn Melotz, 10404 N. 132nd St., Omaha, NE

Director Lanphier questioned legal counsel Paul Peters on the District's authority to set up such a fund, and expressed her concern that it was a vehicle to raise taxes. Director John Conley said this resolution would only set up the fund account on the books and that any funding into the account would come through the budgeting process.

- **It was moved by Director John Conley and seconded by Director Fowler, that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District ("the District") provide for the timely availability of sufficient funds for future expenditures required for the establishment, construction, operation and maintenance of flood control and water quality projects and practices, including but not limited to low-impact development best management measures, flood plain buyouts, dams, reservoir basins, and levees; and,

WHEREAS, it is foreseeable that the District's requirements for such funds in a future year will exceed the amounts available from the District's general funds, and that, in order to have sufficient funds for such purposes available when needed, it is necessary that the District establish a special reserve fund, as authorized by Section 13-503(9), R.R.S., 1997, enabling the District to set aside and accumulate District general funds for such purposes, that will not be available for expenditure for any other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District that, the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District Flood Control and Water Quality Projects and Practices Special Reserve Fund is hereby created for the purpose of enabling the District to set aside and accumulate District general funds to finance the future establishment, construction, operation and maintenance of flood control and water quality projects and practices, including but not limited to low-impact development best

management measures, flood plain buyouts, dams, reservoir basins and levees, and that such funds will not be available for expenditure for any other purposes.

Roll call vote was taken on the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 4-yea and 1 abstention.

Voting Yea: Connealy, Conley (John), Fowler, Patterson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: Lanphier

Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

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