

Final: September 10, 2003

**Papio-Missouri River
Natural Resources District
Board of Directors Meeting
September 11, 2003
8:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
1511 Broadway
Dakota City, NE**

AGENDA

* = Board action required

** = Items to be approved with adoption of Consent Agenda

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. **Meeting Called to Order** -- Chairperson Fred Conley
2. **Quorum Call**
 - ** A. Excused Absences
- *3. **Adoption of Agenda**
- *4. **Adoption of Consent Agenda** (All agenda items indicated by a double asterisk will comprise the consent agenda and will be acted on in a single motion. Items may be deleted from the consent agenda by request of any Board member.)
5. **Proofs of Publication of Meeting Notice**
- **6. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - A. Approval of August 14, 2003, Board Meeting Minutes

7. Agency and Association Reports:

- A. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts – Director Rubin
 - 1. NARD 2003 Annual Conference, September 21-23, 2003, in Kearney, NE
- B. Natural Resources Conservation Service Report – Don Doty, District Conservationist
- C. Loess Hills RC&D Report – Director Nichols
- D. Report on Rural Water Service to Trail Court – Randy Hummel, Dakota County Rural Water
- E. Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance Report – Rodney Verhoeff, Alliance Coordinator
- F. Report on South Sioux City Activities – Lance Hedquist, City Administrator
- G. Report on Dakota City Activities – Chuck Carson, Mayor
- H. Report from Vince Kramper:
 - 1. Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund
 - 2. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission

8. Subcommittee Reports:

- *A. Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee Meeting (September 9, 2003) – Director John Conley
 - 1. Proposed Agreement with Savanna Shores Development (near Walnut Creek) for Wetland, Trail and Sediment Basin Installation – Recommendation that management be directed to negotiate an interlocal agreement with Boyer Young Development and Hearthstone Homes providing for trail, wetland, and sediment basin improvements in the Savanna Shores Development and Walnut Creek Recreation Area, for consideration by the Board in October, 2003.
 - 2. Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Flood Reduction Project – Structure Demolition Bids (Beacon View and Vencil’s Island Area) – (Tabled by the Subcommittee for 30 days).

*B. Finance, Expenditures and Legal Subcommittee Meeting (September 9, 2003) – Director Gardner

1. West Branch Channel Project (former Union Pacific Railroad) ROW Sale to Sarpy County – Recommendation that the General Manager be authorized to execute a purchase agreement with Sarpy County Highway Department providing for the sale to the County of a parcel of former UPRR ROW required for the Cornhusker Road Improvements Project for the price of \$67,160, in favor of the District and such additional documents that the General Manager determines necessary to effectuate the transaction and that District Legal Counsel approves as to form.
2. Amendments to District Policies: (pursuant to “Paperless Project”) – Recommendation that the amendments to the following District policies be tabled for one month with final consideration at the October 9, 2003 Board meeting, pursuant to District policy 1.5:
 - 4.1 Board Meetings – Special Meetings
 - 4.4 Board Meetings – Notice of Meetings and Expenditures
 - 4.9 Board Meetings – Meeting Materials Distribution
 - 4.10 Board Meetings – Agenda Distribution
 - 5.3 Subcommittee – Notice of Meetings
 - 5.9 Subcommittees – Meeting Materials Distribution
 - 22.1 Miscellaneous – Papio-Missouri River NRD “Paperless Project”

3. FY 2004 Budget

⇒ **PUBLIC HEARING - Set Property Tax Request for Fiscal Year 2004** -- Steve Oltmans, Hearing Officer

⇒ **SET PROPERTY TAX REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004**

Suggested FEL Recommendation:

WHEREAS the Papio-Missouri River NRD Board of Directors at the August 14, 2003, meeting adopted the FY 2004 budget with a property tax request of \$10,701,211.59 and the total requirements at \$24,091,018.34;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the tax levy of 0.030637/\$100 for FY 2004 be adopted and that certified copies of this resolution and the adopted budget document be forwarded to the County Clerks of counties having taxable property within the District.

*C Personnel, Legislative and Public Affairs Subcommittee Meeting (September 9, 2003) – Director Nichols

1. District Policy 17.40 – District Programs – Natural Resources Grants Program – Recommendation that the grants program proposed to the Subcommittee not be adopted.
2. Resolutions to be Considered at the NARD Annual Conference – Recommendation that the following positions be taken by the District on resolutions to be considered at the 2003 NARD Annual Conference:

Reso #	Description	Rec. Position
2003-1	Development Below Existing Dams, submitted by Lower Platte South NRD	SUPPORT
2003-2	Ground Water Management and Protection Act – 2.5% Lid Exemption, submitted by Upper Elkhorn	SUPPORT
2003-3	Nebraska Department of Natural Resources District, submitted by Central Platte	SUPPORT
2003-4	Encourage the Development and Rehabilitation of Surface Water Storage in Nebraska, submitted by Lower Loup NRD	SUPPORT
2003 -	Penalty Section – Ground Water Management and Protection Act, submitted by Middle Republican NRD	SUPPORT
2003-	Amend Statutes on Surface Water Storage Permits, submitted by Lower Elkhorn NRD	SUPPORT
2003-	Registered Well Information, submitted by Little Blue NRD	SUPPORT
2003	Eliminate the Need to Permit Small Dams Used to Water Livestock, submitted by Nemaha NRD	SUPPORT

*9. **Treasurer's Report** -- Director John Conley

- A. District
- B. Dakota County Rural Water Supply
- C. Washington County Rural Water Supply
- D. Thurston County Rural Water Supply
- E. Elkhorn River Bank Stabilization Project
- F. Elkhorn Breakout Project
- G. Elk/Pigeon Creek Drainage Project
- H. Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Project

10. Chairperson's Report:

- A. Appointment of West Papio Watershed Flood Plain Mapping Project Ad Hoc Consultant Selection Subcommittee:

Joe Neary, Chairperson
John Conley
Rich Jansen
Barb Nichols
Rich Tesar

- B. Appointment of Platte River Trail (Hwy 50 to the Lied Bridge) Ad Hoc Consultant Selection Subcommittee

Rich Jansen, Chairperson
John Conley
Tim Fowler
Melissa Gardner
Jim Thompson

- *C. P-MRNRD Board of Directors Meeting Schedule for 2004:

January 8, 2004	July 8, 2004
February 12, 2004	August 12, 2004
March 11, 2004	September 9, 2004
April 8, 2004 ***	October 14, 2004
May 13, 2004	November 11, 2004 *****
June 10, 2004	December 9, 2004

*** Holy Thursday – suggested alternative date April 15, 2004
***** Meeting falls on November 11th (Veterans' Day) – suggested alternative November 18th.

11. General Manager's Report:

- A. I&E Report
- B. Personnel/Miscellaneous Items
- C. Report On Purchases – Construction Services, Professional Services, Personal Property
- D. Current and On-Going Programs – P-MRNRD Legal Counsel
- E. Omaha Chamber of Commerce Heritage Award Luncheon, September 24, 2003 at 11:45 a.m. at the Omaha Convention Center and Arena Ballroom
- F. News Clips

12. Informational Items:

A. Future Meetings:

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| Sept. 21-23, 2003 | NE Association of Resources Districts Annual Meeting, Kearney, NE |
| Sept. 24, 2003 | Heritage Award Luncheon, Omaha Convention Center and Arena Ballroom at 11:45 a.m. |
| October 7, 2003 | P-MRNRD Subcommittee Meetings |
| October 9, 2003 | P-MRNRD Board Meeting |
| November 6, 2003 | P-MRNRD Subcommittee Meetings (Regular meeting date is November 11 th which is a District holiday – Subcommittees moved to November 6 th .) |
| November 11, 2003 | Veterans Day – P-MRNRD Offices Closed |
| November 13, 2003 | P-MRNRD Board Meeting |
| Nov. 27-28, 2003 | Thanksgiving Holiday – P-MRNRD Offices Closed |

B. Other Informational Items

C. Next Meeting -- October 9, 2003, NRC

13. Adjournment

**PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
BOARD MEETINGS
RIGHT TO SPEAK**

The following rules and regulations shall govern the conduct and privilege to speak of persons attending open meetings of the District:

- A. Prior to the convening of the meeting, the General Manager shall post an agenda at the door of the meeting room.
- B. A Request to Address the Board sheet shall be posted with the agenda and citizens wishing to speak at the meeting shall so indicate on this sheet and specify the agenda item or items on which they desire to be heard.
- C. During the consideration of each agenda item the Chairperson shall call upon citizens who have indicated a desire to be heard on such item, in the order in which the Chairperson shall determine. The Chairperson, in his or her discretion, may also allow other citizens to be heard after all those who have given prior indication of a desire to speak have been heard on such item.
- D. Every citizen speaking at the meeting shall begin his or her remarks by stating his or her name and postal address.
- E. All citizens' remarks shall be directed to the Chairperson who shall determine by whom any appropriate response shall be made.
- F. The Chairperson may limit or allot the time allowed for the remarks of citizens called upon to be heard, and may rule any such citizen out of order for exceeding such limitation, or for remarks which are repetitious or irrelevant.

Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District Directors' Policy Handbook
Operations Policy 4.8 Board Meetings - Right to Speak
[December 5, 1986]