



Meeting Minutes  
March 28, 2024

Attendees: See attached sign in sheet

The meeting began at 10:04 am.

1. Introductions
  - a. Lori Laster (Papio NRD) facilitated introductions.
2. VOTE – Interlocal Agreement and Stormwater Policies
  - a. Lori reviewed the proposed interlocal agreement updates and draft stormwater policies.
  - b. There were minimal changes to the interlocal agreement. Updates to the stormwater policies were also minimal to reflect changes in terminology and to reflect the Papio Water Quality Plan that was developed in 2018.
  - c. The structures included in the updated implementation plan include Dam Site 7, Dam Site 12, and Dam Site 19.
  - d. Alex Evans (Papillion) made a motion to recommend approval of the interlocal agreement, including stormwater policies, to partner boards and councils. Kristine Stokes (Gretna) seconded the motion.
    - i. Bellevue – John Krager - yes
    - ii. Boys Town - absent
    - iii. Gretna – Kristine Stokes -yes
    - iv. La Vista – Chris Solberg - yes
    - v. Omaha – Lisa Smith - yes
    - vi. Ralston – Greg Dittmer - yes
    - vii. Papillion – Alex Evans - yes
    - viii. Sarpy County – Kelly Jeck - yes
    - ix. Papio NRD – Amanda Grint - yes
3. Elected Official Outreach Recap & Follow Up
  - a. Lori Laster recapped the three Partnership Briefings that were held on March 25, 27, and 28. All communities had representatives attend at least one session. Questions were minimal. The slides used for the presentation are located on the Partnership website homepage and will be emailed to all Partnership members for their use.
4. Other Items of Interest
  - a. No other items of interest were noted.
5. Next Meeting Date



- a. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2024. However, the proposed agenda for that meeting is short. The meeting will be held on Zoom. Lori will send a link to the Partnership members. The meeting is also posted on the Partnership website and anyone is free to register to attend the meeting.
6. Adjourn
    - a. The meeting adjourned at 10:34 am.



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Meeting Minutes  
April 25, 2024  
Via Zoom

Attendees: Kent Holm, Andy Miller, Ian Ghanavati, Amanda Grint, Katie Swanson, Garrett Delgado, Matt Turco, Selma Kessler, Pat Dowse, Shanee Adekunle, Sara Mechtenberg, Jim Theiler, Rodney Verhoeff, Mark Stursma, Travis Gibbons, Nick Sutko, Alex Evans, Josh Nelson, Greg Perry, Kristine Stokes

The meeting began at 10:01 am.

1. Introductions
  - a. Lori Laster (Papio NRD) facilitated introductions.
2. Adoption of Interlocal Agreement Status
  - a. Each community present reported their progress to get the interlocal agreement approved.
    - i. Bellevue – Still under review, scheduled for May 21 or June 4 City Council meeting
    - ii. Boys Town - absent
    - iii. Gretna – Scheduled for May 7 City Council meeting
    - iv. La Vista – Will be on the May 7 or May 21 City Council agenda
    - v. Omaha – The first reading will be on May 7 or May 14. Then two additional readings are required before it is official approved.
    - vi. Ralston – absent
    - vii. Papillion – Passed at the Planning Commission on April 23. Scheduled for the May 21 City Council meeting.
    - viii. Sarpy County – Agreement is still under review in the Administrative level. Should be scheduled within the next month.
    - ix. Papio NRD – The NRD Board will vote on May 9.
3. Website Progress
  - a. Lori Laster showed the updates that have been completed on the Partnership website, [PapioPartnership.org](http://PapioPartnership.org). There will be more information available, and some updates are in progress.
4. Other Items of Interest
  - a. No other items of interest were noted.
5. Next Meeting Date
  - a. May 23, 2024 at 10 am.
  - b. AdjournThe meeting adjourned at 10:34 am.



Meeting Minutes  
August 22, 2024  
Via Zoom

Attendees: Ian Ghanavati, Amanda Grint, Lori Laster-Papio NRD; Jim Kee, Robert Laroco, Andy Szatko, Erick Dickes, Katie Swanson, Selma Kessler, Derek Miller-City of Omaha; Pat Dowse, Chris Solberg-City of La Vista; Shanee Adekunle, Dave Goedeken-City of Bellevue; Kelly Jeck-Sarpy County; Travis Gibbons-City of Papillion; Greg Dittmer-City of Ralston; Stacy Gillman-Douglas County; Sara Mechtenberg, Mike Sotak-Houston Engineering; Molly Hanson-RDG; Matt Hubel-Schemmer; Matt Turco-Offut Air Force Base; Aaron Hirsh-Embris.

The meeting began at 10:01 am.

1. Introductions
  - a. Lori Laster (Papio NRD) facilitated introductions.
2. Final Presentation of 2024 Watershed Management Plan Update
  - a. Lori Laster and Sara Mechtenberg reviewed the plan document prepared by Houston Engineering and RDG. See attached PowerPoint.
  - b. Jim Kee asked as to why the report didn't mention the stream degradation problem faced by the communities in the watershed. Omaha has expressed an interest in trying to find a funding mechanism to address stream repair or rehabilitation projects.
  - c. Lori explained that it wasn't included at this time because there was no desire to raise or add additional fees. The original structural projects were supposed to be partially funded by the watershed fees. Because there is a delay in how fees are collected versus the amount expended by the Papio NRD for the structural projects, we wouldn't be able to redirect watershed fees at this time.
  - d. Lori also mentioned that policy updates were also not supported however, there was a need to finalize the interlocal agreement for continuation of the Partnership to make sure that all of the shared elements of the Stormwater Management Plan for the MS4 permitted communities could continue. There is still work to be done regarding stream degradation issues and this will continue with the hope of a revised interlocal agreement in 2-3 years rather than waiting the full five years.



- e. An advisory group consisting of members of the Partnership, MOBA, and others will be formed later this year to begin to address some of these issues.
  - f. The Papio NRD and Houston/RDG will revise the report to include more discussion on this topic and some potential next steps.
3. Website Progress
  - a. Lori Laster gave a live demonstration of the new Partnership website. Site pages have been rearranged to more clearly categorize which pages are for educational purposes, which are for developers/designers/contractors, and which are general information.
  - b. Additionally, a project status page has been added to show the status of all of the structural watershed projects. Users can search by using an interactive map or can select a project name and they will be directed to a status page for that project. <https://papiopartnership.org/projects/>
4. Other Items of Interest
  - a. World O! Water will be held at Chalco Hills Recreation Area on September 7 from 12 pm to 4 pm.
5. Next Meeting Date
  - a. September 26, 2024 at 10 am.
6. Adjourn
  - a. The meeting adjourned at 10:33 am.



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**Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
November 18, 2024**

**Attendees: See attached sign in sheet**

The meeting began at 10:02 am.

1. Introductions
  - a. Lori Laster (Papio NRD) facilitated introductions.
2. PCWP Plan Update and Next Steps
  - a. Lori Laster reviewed the proposed updates to the plan report. Included in the revisions are more detail regarding the previous efforts to update the stream setback policy and a description of other data supporting the need to address stream stability.
  - b. Additionally, more information was added to the financial section to show revenues and expenditures of Partnership projects through the NRD's fiscal year 2024.
  - c. A next steps section was added to show that work will be ongoing to help address both existing stream stability issues and update and improve policies. This work is intended to help identify future Partnership projects that aren't solely focused on flood control.
  - d. Final report updates will be sent out and posted to the Partnership website in December.
3. Other Items of Interest
  - a. Jim Kee (Omaha) noted that he met with NDEE and there is currently no schedule for updated MS4 permits. Patrick Ducey will be invited to talk at the January Partnership meeting.
4. Next Meeting Date
  - a. The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2025
5. Adjourn
  - a. The meeting adjourned at 10:22 am.



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