

DRAFT MINUTES

LaMoure County Water Resource District Quarterly Meeting April 22, 2026 9:00 am

Present in person; Jason Gross, Chairman, Glenn Haugen, Nathan Nitschke, Kerry Ketterling, Derick Klug, Billi Jo Warcken- Secretary-Treasurer, Karin Boom, Co-Secretary, Attorney Kimberly Radermacher. Others attending- Dan Alber, Wayne Wald, Gene Rode, Jesse Mastenbroek, Erick and Kent Rogers, Karl Ketterling, Mike Vogel, Isaac VanEnk, Tayler Albrecht, Christine Schmidt and KC Baertsch. Attending online-Kimberly Robbins, Aaron Larsen- NDGF, Brandon Hoechst- DES, Jennifer Martin- Water Resources Engineer, Justin Messner - NDDDES Recovery Chief, Kathryn Goos – NDDWR, Kimberly Robbins-LaMoure County EMS, Melissa Vranicar- ND EMS, Tyler Syversen, Darin Hanson, and Shawna Pickle.

Meeting called to order and roll call at 9:00 am by Chairman Gross. Roll Call of Board- Quorum present.

Gross called for additions to agenda and motion to approve. Motion by Ketterling to approve the agenda, seconded by Klug and passed.

Gross inquired about review or changes to the meeting minutes of March 25, 2026 meeting. Motion by Nitschke to approve minutes as presented, seconded by Haugen and passed.

No public comment was offered at the time allotted.

Public comment was then opened on the Boom Lake- City of Marion Flood Mitigation permit. Michael Strom, KLJ Engineer, presented the permit process and parameters of the project and explained the map. He described the route, the two-stage lift system and how that would function and the management plan. He also stated that the lake elevation level is established by NDGF and they are a partner entity. Radermacher inquired as to the extent of downstream landowner impact. The management plan will ensure that water will be directed to the waterway when there is not an excess of water flowing naturally. This would mean pumping the lake in late summer and fall to make more storage for times when the lake has to hold the water. The pumps will be automatic, but will be capable of being switched off as needed. All pipe will be placed below the frostline in road right-of-way and ditches and pipe will be bored under wetland. At the outlet a structure will be constructed to ensure a non-eroding water flow. Wald inquired as to the other utilities in the right-of-way. Strom said the pipe will be deep enough to not interfere and other lines can also be laid alongside and can cross it also. Strom will inquire about ownership of ditch right-of-way and will begin contacting landowners regarding easements where required. He also said ditches would be graded and seeded. Ketterling inquired about downstream waterway maintenance and who is responsible for it. Strom indicated that the operations manual includes downstream maintenance and includes an annual meeting to address all issues. Ketterling also stated that the culvert change LaMoure County agreed to install to the south on CR 60 has to be reduced to writing to ensure that there won't be administrative changes that would cause a verbal commitment to be lost. It is a critical point on the downstream flow. Strom also indicated that the project has met all FEMA guidelines and the funds have been set aside. The pump location in Marion near the City Park will have pipes to hold water and many of the small culverts on the east side of town will be directed to this area to take care of surface water and open drains. The holding area is estimated to be 50 to 75 feet from property line of residences there. The projected start

time depends on getting the DWR permit and completing the bidding process. If that goes fast, it could be as soon as 2027, otherwise it will be 2028.

Gross asked if there were further questions and none were offered.

Motion by Ketterling to approve the Emergency Permit contingent on obtaining drainage easements, downstream landowner contacts and including flood control devices as needed; seconded by Klug. Roll call vote was taken, all voting yes.

Radermacher presented an application for ditch cleaning on behalf of the City of Edgeley as part of the settlement agreement with Kelly Steffes. As it only entails a 33-acre watershed on Sections 3 & 10 of T33N-R64W board Chairman Gross signed the notice of receipt of the application.

Two Applications to Install Subsurface Water Management System filed by Dennis Feiken and Brandon Peterson for NE1/4 and NW1/4 of Section 10- T133N-R62W were determined to be complete by Radermacher. Motion by Ketterling to approve the permits with the usual contingencies set forth by statute I NDCC 61-32-03.1(4) subsections e and h, seconded by Nitschke and passed on a roll call vote with all voting yes.

Radermacher presented Boom Lake Levee Emergency Construction permit 2808 for review. It was approved for 12 months and will be removed at expiration, or upon completion of the Boom Lake Flood Mitigation Project. Board acknowledged review and consented. Radermacher also presented Bridge Application SL2591 for SW ¼ of NW ¼ Sec 30-T136N-R62W for removal and replacement of an existing bridge structure. The board has 30 days to comment if there is an issue. The board waived comment.

The site visit reschedule for the Syversen v. Syversen complaint will be at 9 am on Wednesday, April 29, 2026.

Boom gave an update on the Limesand-Seefeldt Dam grant application. The application was submitted online and had a number of letters of support attached. Applications close on May 1st and then it will go to review. Construction will commence if the grant is approved and the funds become available.

Warcken presented the financial report and bill for the laptop and accessories. Motion by Ketterling to pay bills presented, seconded by Klug and passed.

The Petition and Bond for the Barnes-LaMoure Joint District Feasibility Study was presented to the board for signature as a bond remitter. Motion to sign as bond remitter by Ketterling, seconded by Haugen and passed on a roll call vote with all voting yes.

Warcken also advised the board that we will be getting a water board email account and there are two options for setting up remote meetings. One option is Go-To Meeting and the other option is Zoom Pro Meetings. After a short discussion a motion was made by Klug and seconded to select the Zoom Pro option and set up the email account. Motion passed on a roll call vote with all voting yes.

Motion to adjourn by Ketterling and seconded by Nitschke and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 am.