

DRAFT MINUTES

LaMoure County Water Resource District Quarterly Meeting March 25, 2026 9:00 am

Present in person; Jason Gross, Chairman, Glenn Haugen, Nathan Nitschke, Kerry Ketterling, Billi Jo Warcken- Secretary-Treasurer, Karin Boom, Co-Secretary, Attorney Kimberly Radermacher. Others attending- Mike Vogel, Wesley Knudsen, Mike Johnson- NDGF, Bob Flath, Isaac VanEnk, Tayler Albrecht and KC Baertsch. Attending online- Kimberly Robbins, Tyler Syversen and Michael Strom- Engineer.

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

Additions to the agenda are Barnes-LaMoure Joint District Secretary/Treasurer salary and posting minutes. Motion by Nitschke to approve agenda with additions, seconded by Ketterling and passed.

Motion by Nitschke to approve February 25, 2026 meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Haugen and passed.

There were no public comments raised during the comment period.

Attorney Radermacher advised the board that a settlement agreement has been reached between Kelly Steffes and the City of Edgeley on the complaint before the board and that the board may now dismiss the complaint. Motion by Ketterling to dismiss the complaint based on the settlement agreement, seconded by Nitschke and passed on a unanimous vote. Radermacher will forward a copy of the agreement to the secretary.

The board discussed the site visit on the Syversen v. Syversen complaint located at SW1/4- S18-T135-R63W. Visit was set on April 2, 2026 at 9:00 am and the board, Boom, Radermacher, Kale VanBruggen, Joel Toso- engineer, and Daymond Syversen will be notified.

Mike Strom gave an update on the status of the Boom Lake project. The resubmitted permit application is ready for public hearing. Boom read the requirements for notice from the administrative code. The public comment will be set at the next regular meeting of the Water Resource Board on April 22, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. Motion by Nitschke to schedule the meeting on that date and give notice to all parties and publish as required by the code. Motion seconded by Ketterling and passed unanimously. Public comment will be taken at the April Meeting. The County Road Superintendent has agreed to replace the culvert under CR60 according to the plan. The replacement will be done when other paving in the area is being done to ensure the integrity of the road when the culvert is replaced.

Mike Johnson, NDGF gave an update on the Limesand-Seefeldt Dam update. The final permit was submitted and the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application is due on May 1, 2026. The grant application is complete and ready to be submitted. Motion by Ketterling to pursue the OHF grant funding, seconded by Haugen and passed unanimously.

Warcken presented the financial report as of March 20, 2026. Motion by Nitschke to approve the financial report as presented, seconded by Ketterling and passed. Warcken presented the bills and Ketterling moved to pay bills as presented; seconded by Haugen and passed.

Salary for Barnes-LaMoure Joint board Secretary-Treasurer was discussed. The joint board will set the salary at the next meeting. The board felt the base should be at least \$4,000 as this will be very involved at the outset. Boom will discuss with the Barnes County WRD Secretary as well.

Haugen reported to the board that he had been approached about the delay on posting board meeting draft minutes of the last meeting. The transition of staff on the board and a misunderstanding of deadlines resulted in one month not being posted. This has been addressed and has been remedied.

Correspondence- Warcken presented a proposed purchase of a dedicated laptop computer for board use. Currently board meetings are conducted using the Emergency Manager's laptop and there are times when there are conflicts with EM meetings and WRD meetings. IT also recommended the WRD purchase a dedicated GO-To Meeting ID at the annual fee of \$192. The laptop computer is \$829.99, Bluetooth speaker \$250 and a wireless mouse at about \$20.00. Motion by Ketterling to purchase them and pay the meeting subscription, seconded by Nitschke and passed unanimously.

Motion by Haugen to adjourn, seconded by Nitschke and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am.