

LaMoure County Water Resource District Quarterly Board Meeting- Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 9:00 am

Present in person: Acting Chairman Glenn Haugen, Bobby Frauenberg, Jason Gross, Nathan Nitschke, Attorney Kimberly Radermacher, Secretary/Treasurer Janice Hamlin, Co-Secretary Karin Boom. Present by Electronic means: Kimberly Robbins, Emergency Manager, Kale VanBruggen, Tyler Syversen.

Chairman Haugen called the meeting to order and asked for any additions to the agenda. He indicated that the board would add the Syversen complaint. Motion by Gross to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Nitschke and passed.

Haugen asked for any additions or corrections to the January 8, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion by Nitschke to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Frauenberg and passed.

Haugen asked Attorney Radermacher for a review of the Magill Subsurface Water Management Application. The location of the application is NE1/4 and NW1/4 Sec24-T133N-R59W. 275 acres will be tiled. Radermacher stated that the drain will be onto owner land and then to a creek on that property. Downstream property ownership determination has been shown and it is all in order. Motion by Frauenberg to approve the permit application with the usual conditions of statutory provisions under NDCC61-32-03.1(4). Motion seconded by Gross and passed.

Haugen called on Attorney Radermacher for a review of the Berntson Subsurface Water Management Application. The location of the application is for SE1/4, SW1/4 Sec 6-T134N-R66W and NE1/4 Sec 7-T134N-R66W. 226 acres will be tiled. Radermacher said adjacent property tax statements and property owner information has been provided and the application is complete. Motion by Frauenberg to approve the permit application with the usual conditions of statutory provisions under NDCC61-32-03.1(4). Motion seconded by Nitschke and passed.

Haugen called for an update on the Wiemann complaint. Kale VanBruggen was online on behalf of Travis Wiemann. The Board is waiting for a State of ND determination of the watercourse and a site review by Attorney Radermacher. Radermacher discussed timeline and site review scheduling. VanBruggen agreed to deferring to a meeting, perhaps the next quarterly meeting, to allow all the parties to complete their reviews.

9:24-9:28 Online meeting was interrupted and re-connected again.

VanBruggen discussed the Blue line/ LIDAR indicates direction of flow. Parties aren't in agreement on the flow. He referred the board to his Exhibit B- showing the establishment of the LCWRB; Exhibit C showing pre-1963 drain and expansion after 1991; Exhibit J showing no permit for the drain expansion; Exhibit L showing drain area of over 80 acres. Radermacher said that schedules would be coordinated to review the site and the complaint and a meeting would be set.

Haugen addressed the Syversen v. Syversen Complaint. Radermacher said relevant statutes had been sent out, and a site visit should be made before setting a meeting on the complaint.

Hamlin reviewed the financial report through March 25, 2025 with an ending balance of \$88,070.15. Motion to accept the report by Gross, seconded by Nitschke and passed.

Bills were presented. Motion by Frauenberg to approve bills as presented, seconded by Nitschke and passed.

Haugen acknowledged receipt of the Notice of Application for Appropriation of Groundwater by Wendel et al provided to LCWRB by the ND Department of Water Resources. No action required by the board.

Next quarterly meeting of the board set on June 6, 2025 at 8:00 am.

Motion by Nitschke to adjourn, seconded by Frauenberg.
Meeting adjourned at 9:54am.

Glenn Haugen, Vice Chairman

Karin Boom, Co-Secretary
