

LAKE KAMPESKA WATER PROJECT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DISTRICT
WATERTOWN, SOUTH DAKOTA
APRIL 23, 2026
7:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The directors of the Lake Kampeska Water Project District hosted the annual meeting of the District. Members of the board of directors present at the meeting were: Jeff Ranum, Bradley D. Johnson, Mark S. Roby, Dan Gabriel and Bret Holien. Also present were Secretary-Treasurer Katie M. DeBoer, as well as members of the District, and the public.

Bret Holien acted as chairman of the meeting, and Katie M. DeBoer acted as secretary.

The first order of business was approval of the minutes of the last annual meeting on April 30, 2025. Upon motion made, seconded, and carried without opposition, a waiver of the reading of the minutes was approved and the minutes were approved.

The next order of business was the election of directors upon expiration of terms of Johnson and Ranum. Holien explained that, because no timely and complete petitions were submitted for the seats, their successors will be appointed by the directors at their meeting immediately following the meeting of the District.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the financial reports for 2025.

Dan Loveland, of South Dakota Lakes and Streams Association, was present at the meeting to give a brief overview on discussing the impact of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species on Lake Kampeska and what can be done to mitigate their efforts. Loveland gave a timeline of the zebra mussel population growth on Pickerel Lake and the impacts of zebra mussels on Pickerel Lake. Loveland stated that at the beginning of the spread of invasive species, an economic impact study was never completed in South Dakota, so the South Dakota Lakes and Streams Association partnered with other lake organizations, such as Lake Kampeska Water Project District, to hire the University of South Dakota and University of Montana to complete the study. The report is currently in process of being completed. Discussion took place regarding nuisance vegetation and the regulations surrounding it, best practices and pro/cons.

Additional topics were discussed during the meeting such as: weed growth at Lake Kampeska and how to potentially deal with the weed growth, the drain tile system and pipeline that is currently being installed at City Park and what the District can invest their money into to get the money back into the lake district since financials have been built up over the years to assist with the Mahoney Creek Dam project which is now off the table.

There will be a celebration of life for Gregory Blow on June 12, 2026, at Crawford-Osthus Funeral Home.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned.

Katie M. DeBoer
Secretary

Terms of directors:

2024-2027	Hinderaker and Messerli
2025-2028	Gabriel, Roby and Holien
2026-2029	_____ and _____ (to be appointed)