

LAKE KAMPESKA WATER PROJECT DISTRICT

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS WATERTOWN, SOUTH DAKOTA

August 4, 2026

11:15 O'CLOCK A.M.

Present at the meeting were the directors, namely: Jeff Ranum, Mark S. Roby, Mark Messerli, Dan Gabriel and Bret Holien. Also, present were Katie M. DeBoer, Ried Holien, Alan Stager, Justin Petersen, Brent Keyes, Cory Zirbel and Jay Gilbertson.

Bret Holien presided as chairman and Katie M. DeBoer acted as secretary.

The chairman called for approval of the minutes of the last meeting on June 4, 2026. Upon motion made by Roby, seconded by Gabriel and carried unanimously, the minutes were approved.

There were no invoices/bills/reimbursements to discuss and approve.

The Board brought in Cory Zirbel, Director of Prairie Coteau Watershed and Jay Gilbertson, Director of East Dakota District Water Project to discuss their current positions and what they work on in their roles. Extensive discussion took place regarding water testing, specifically routine water testing and testing during flood and high-water events for Lake Kampeska and the Big Sioux River. Discussion took place regarding finding a new source/vendor to assist during water testing events. No further action was taken.

Discussion took place on working with Limnopro to conduct a Plankton Monitoring Study at Lake Kampeska. Limnopro has been working at Pickerel Lake in relation to curly leaf pond weed at the lake and conducting a Plankton Monitoring Study. No further action was taken to move forward with requesting a quote to work with Limnopro to conduct a Plankton Monitoring Study.

Additional discussions took place regarding concerns at Lake Kampeska regarding the weed growth at Lake Kampeska. No further action was taken.

Discussion took place with Zirbel and Gilbertson on how Lake Kampeska Water Project District could assist with projects that are being conducted to benefit the water quality that flows into the Big Sioux River and Lake Kampeska. Zirbel will put together a proposal for the Board to review to potentially assist with Riparian Buffer Strip (RBS) projects. Gilbertson is going to work on setting up a meeting with other water project districts to discuss how we could work together on water quality issues. No further action was taken.

The current pending shoreline stabilization projects were discussed. Reimbursement limits were also discussed since we have almost utilized the approved reimbursement amount of \$50,000. The Board will inform the City that we are almost at the capacity for the current approved reimbursement, but will also let the City know that if they get additional shoreline stabilization applications, we will discuss increasing the reimbursement allocation. Upon motion by Roby, seconded by Ranum, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the reimbursement payment of the following amounts to be paid upon completion of the projects.

- 120 North Lake Drive for \$6,375.00
- 848 Hidden Valley Drive for \$7,500.00

No discussion took place regarding the Collignon 2025 Shoreline Stabilization request since the homeowner decided that no changes were being made to the initial plan/request.

DeBoer informed the Board that the \$500 donation check that was sent to the Big Sioux Water Festival in January 2026 has not been cashed. The water festival took place in May 2026. DeBoer emailed the Big Sioux Water Festival in July after it was discovered the check had not been cashed and did not receive a response back from the Big Sioux Water Festival. Gilbertson stated that he would follow up with the Big Sioux Water Festival since he shares an office with them.

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

Katie M. DeBoer
Secretary