

June 15, 2024 LPWPD Minutes & Financial  
9am location: Lake Region Golf Course

Chairman John Pantzke called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Attendance: John Pantzke, Dave Meyer, Scott Ross, Joel Mohlenhoff & Drake Mohr

Absent: Bob Westall and Doug Bierschbach

Guests: none

Minutes & financials were review from May's meeting and approved following a motion by Scott and second by Dave.

**Old Business:**

Status of gates \ HD Electric: repairs have been completed and bill was received.

The gates at the outlet have again been tampered with. The metal box locking the mechanism for opening / closing the gate has been pried at. John will talk with the sheriff's office and increase awareness of this issue. Dave will look into camera options.

John reviewed the locations of the NOAA gauges with the board.

FC-5 One gauge is a reading water elevation at the gates on 459<sup>th</sup> Avenue, the second gauge (downstream) is a gauge near highway 28 west of Estelling where the Big Sioux River runs. Per FC-5, the gates are opened only when the water on the lake side of the gates is higher than the river on the other side of the gates to allow lake water to run downstream and prevent water from the Big Sioux from coming in.

\*\*\*the reading on the NOAA gauge site is NOT the elevation directly on the other side of the gates and should not be read as such\*\*.

Donation for meetings at the golf course – Joel status: The LPWPD is using the golf course for the monthly meetings. The golf course does not wish to be compensated for hosting the meetings. In lieu of a fee, the board has approved purchase of a smart tv which can also be used by the board for their meetings. The golf course has agreed arrangement.

Review open incentives –

John Hurley Hw 81 – no updates

Josh & Sara Fiedler 308 W Lake Dr, Lake Norden, SD

John Larson shoreline at 442 W Lake Drive – John will schedule a site revisit.

Mike Fedt: seeking guidance for 474 W Lake Drive site.

Randy & Sue Meendering 164 NW Lake Drive – John will schedule a site visit.

**New Business:**

The CD which matured 06/01/2024 was renewed and opened a new one as discussed at May's meeting. Both have a 5.01% rate and are held at our safe deposit box at Reliabank Estelline.

Bills (2)

HD Electric                      \$739.35 for repairs at the gates

Banner Associates              \$1,891.87

Board approved payment following a motion by Joel & second by Scott.

The board discussed having additional names on the account at Reliabank in Estelline. We will discuss again at July's meeting.

The board discussed researching another phase of the Water Project District to expand our efforts on improving water quality due to runoff. Dave Meyer discussed several ideas to assist with improving the practices to filter water coming into the lake and find some agencies to assist with this. Some ideas brought up were buffer strips/saturated buffers on fringe areas to improve lake ecology, mitigation banks, rotational grazing of pasture land and working with NRCS (National Resources Conservation Services) to promote these efforts.

**Reports:**

**Sanitary District report:** Scott: paperwork is currently being done for the lagoon site.

**Lake Poinsett task force / lake study update:** Scott – public meeting open house was last weekend. Approx 150-180 people were in attendance. There is a video on the Lake Poinsett Management Plan website overviewing the project. July 8 is the cutoff for the survey to be completed and approximately 250 surveys have been taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made at 9:53 by Dave and second by Drake.  
The next meeting will be held at 9:00 am at the Lake Area Golf Course on July 20<sup>th</sup>.

## Budget for 2024 of the Lake Poinsett Water Project District

Income	2023 (budget)	2023 (to date)	2024 (budget)	2024 (to date)
Hamlin County tax credit	\$ 74,000.00	\$ 67,242.11	\$ 78,000.00	\$ 38,597.32
Brookings County tax credit		\$ 7,155.26		\$ 3,597.78
Accrued Interest-chkg acct		\$ 268.44		\$ 162.39
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 74,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 74,665.81</b>	<b>\$ 78,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 42,357.49</b>

2024 Expense	2023 forecast	2023 (to date)	2024 (budget)	2024 (to date)
Wages	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,277.25	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
Mileage	\$ -	\$ 35.37	\$ 50.00	\$ -
	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,423.64	-	\$ -
		\$ 346.76		\$ -
Office Supplies	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 100.91
	\$ 150.00	\$ 102.16	-	\$ -
Jetpack/Trimble	\$ 600.00	\$ 413.20	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 1,650.00
Insurance (commercial/wc)	\$ 3,155.00	\$ 2,482.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,117.35
Surety Bond	\$ 225.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Utilities, HD Electric (gates)	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Sanitary Dist. (donation)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Big Sioux Water Festival (dona	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Shoreline Incentive	\$ 46,048.00	\$ 7,864.36	\$ 24,000.00	\$ -
Lake Management Plan		\$ 5,076.40	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 8,894.24
Legal fees/publishing/notary	\$ 100.00	\$ 145.54	\$ 200.00	\$ 48.47
Safe Deposit rent (Reliabank)	\$ 12.00	\$ 24.50	\$ 15.00	\$ -
Facility Donation	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 100.00
	\$ -	\$ 600.00	-	\$ -
Audit (Horning & Horning)	\$ 250.00	\$ 149.94	\$ 250.00	\$ -
Inspections for incentives	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 2,645.87	-	
Water testing (nitrates)	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Repairing right-of-way	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Outlet Maintenance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,640.40	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 74,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 28,877.39</b>	<b>\$ 59,815.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,910.97</b>

CD#238212 balance	Opened 09/01/2023	18 mo	\$ 38,039.71
CD#239622	Opened 06/06/2024	5.01% annually	\$ 19,183.06
CD#239621	Opened 06/06/2024	5.01% annually	\$ 100,000.00
HD Electric acct#5031 balance	05/31/24	credit	\$ 271.36
Reliabank Statement Ending	06/03/24		\$ 186,627.30