

AGENDA
LOWER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
Lower Elkhorn NRD Office
1508 Square Turn Blvd, Norfolk, Nebraska
7:30 p.m. – Thursday, August 27, 2026

7:00 p.m. – Finance Subcommittee

1. Statement of Public Notice of Meeting and Posted Nebraska Open Meetings Act Information
- Chairman Matt Steffen
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Directors and Excused Absences
4. Adoption of Agenda
5. Public Comment
6. Reading and/or Action on Minutes of the July 23, 2026 Board of Directors Meeting &
Certification of Acres Hearing - Secretary Kris Loberg
7. Finance Subcommittee – Treasurer Anthony Wisnieski
 - a. Income and Expenses
 - b. Conservation Cost Share Update
8. Monthly Reports
 - a. Nebraska Association of Resources Districts – Gary Loftis
 - b. Nebraska Natural Resources Commission – Chris Dierks
 - c. Natural Resources Conservation Services – Robin Sutherland
 - d. RC&D Reports – Gary Loftis & Melissa Temple
 - e. Bazile Groundwater Management Area Project – Marcus Blunck
 - f. Administrative Report – Brian Bruckner
9. Approval of Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee Recommendations
– Gary Loftis
 - a. Approval of Logan East RWS Fiscal Year 2027 Budget
 - b. Approval of Minutes of Logan East RWS August 10, 2026 Advisory Committee Meeting

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10. Approval of Wau-Col Regional Water System Advisory Committee Recommendations
 - Jay Reikofski
 - a. Approval of Wau-Col RWS Fiscal Year 2027 Budget
 - b. Approval of Minutes of Wau-Col RWS August 3, 2026 Advisory Committee Meeting
11. Information, Planning, Programs, Projects, Equipment & Legislation Committee of the Whole Report – Vice-Chairman Jay Reikofski
 - a. LENRD Conservation Cost Share Program - Discussion and/or Action Regarding the budgeting of local conservation cost share dollars to provide assistance for Agroforestry and other conservation practices
 - b. LENRD Dam Maintenance Responsibility - Discussion and/or Action Regarding the solicitation of bids to complete necessary maintenance and repairs at the Scribner Airport West Dam
 - c. Maskenthine Recreation Area – Mountain Bike Trail - Discussion and/or Action Regarding the development of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the completion of a mural to be affixed to the Maskenthine Mountain Bike Trail storage container
 - d. LENRD Standard Variances for New Groundwater Irrigated Acres - Discussion and/or Action Regarding the Protocol and Requirements for the possibility of processing Standard Variance Requests for New Irrigation Wells and New Irrigated Acres in the LENRD.
 - e. LENRD Quantity Management Subareas - Discussion and/or Action Regarding the authorization of an additional 2 acre inches of groundwater to be used after September 15th for the germination and establishment of a cover crop
12. Budget Subcommittee Report
 - a. Discussion and Action Regarding the Authorization of an Additional 1% Increase in Restricted Funds Authority for Fiscal Year 2027
 - b. Discussion and Action Regarding the Scheduling and Advertisement of the Public Hearing for Fiscal Year 2027 Budget

Dates to Remember

September 3 – Wau-Col RWS Meeting, Belden – 7:00 p.m.
September 7 – Office Closed – Labor Day
September 10 – LENRD Budget Hearing - 7:00 p.m.
September 10 - Lower Elkhorn NRD Committee of the Whole Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
September 14 – Logan East RWS Meeting, Oakland – 7:00 p.m.
September 24 – Lower Elkhorn NRD Board of Director's Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
September 27-29 – 2026 Annual NRD Conference - Kearney

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