

MINUTES OF THE
LOGAN EAST RURAL WATER SYSTEM
ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING
10:30 A.M. May 29, 2025 Thursday
LOGAN EAST RURAL WATER SYSTEM OFFICE – OAKLAND, NE

The special meeting of the Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee was called to order by Ron Dierking-chairman on Thursday, May 29, 2025. The Publication of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act information was printed in the Oakland Independent on May 22, 2025, and is posted by the entrance door. Rollcall was taken with 8 of the 9 committee members present. Present: Dam, Dierking, Fehrer, Hagerbaumer, Johnson, Kruger, Peterson, and Tobin. A replacement has not been named for Larry Wulf. Rollcall of the Lower Elkhorn NRD appointed members Present: Roger Gustafson and Brian Bruckner, LENRD general Mg, John Ruckmann, Bartlett & West Engineers. Absent: Gary Loftis.

Dam made the motion and was seconded by Peterson to adopt the agenda. Aye: All Nay: none Absent: none

Public comment: No visitors present

The purpose of the special meeting:

The discussion topic will center around the proposed connection to the City of Oakland for expansion capacity, and the proposed connection to Craig to resolve their need for a new source of water. The City of Oakland has sent a proposed plan for Logan East to consider the purchase of water. LERWS engineer John Ruckman of Bartlett & West has reviewed and gone over some of the estimated costs to hook up Oakland.

The City of Oakland has proposed to allow LERWS to purchase 1/3 of the city's new water project. This will allow LERWS to purchase and use up to 200,000 gallons per day. A line would need to be constructed north of the new Oakland well site to county road L and hook onto the existing LERWS 10" line. A blending station would be built near the LERWS line to introduce Oakland's water with LERWS water coming from the LERWS well site. The LERWS 10" line goes to the primary LERWS water tower located on county road 13, where water is distributed through the system. From the water tower water goes east towards the Village of Craig for a possibility of Craig hooking onto the LERWS water line. Costs of getting the piping into Craig were also estimated by engineer Ruckman.

A cost estimate will be presented to the Village of Craig during the next week.

The LERWS is looking at adding a water tower in the northern part of the system, increasing pressure in areas north of the current tower. Ruckman had cost estimates for that part of the project also.

No action was taken after the information given out today.

JJ gave a report on the Scribner tower - no answers were found when the digging was done. The tower will be filled and put back into service once testing comes back from the state lab.

The next meeting will be on June 9, 2025, at 8:00 p.m. at the LERWS office in Oakland
Having no further business, Dierking adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

We, the Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee, recommend that the Lower Elkhorn NRD accept these minutes.

I, Mark Peterson the undersigned secretary of the Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings by the Advisory Committee on May 29, 2025.

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Others present: Shawn Blahak, JJ Johansen Laurie Schold
John Ruckman, Bartlett & West engineers