

MINUTES OF REGULAR  
LOGAN EAST RURAL WATER SYSTEM  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
**7:30 p.m. August 11, 2025 Monday**  
LOGAN EAST RURAL WATER SYSTEM OFFICE – OAKLAND, NE

The regular meeting of the Logan East Rural Water System Advisory Committee was called to order by Ron Dierking-chairman on Monday August 11, 2025, The Publication of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act information was printed in the Burt County Independent on August 7, 2025, and is posted by the entrance door. Rollcall was taken with 8 of the 9 committee members present. Present: Dam, Dierking, Hagerbaumer, Fehrer, Johnson, Kruger, Peterson, Tobin. Absent: none, 1 vacancy remains on the committee. Rollcall of the Lower Elkhorn NRD appointed members Present: Gary Loftis and Brian Bruckner, LENRD general Mgr. Absent: Gustafson

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

Kathy Pearson read the Minutes of July 14, 2025, meeting and was approved. Aye: All Nay: none Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED**

Public comment: None

Finance Reports were reviewed & approved. 33 people still owe June 2025 water, 4 accounts of the 33 are 60 plus days or more. 4 disconnects will be made.

Brian Bruckner discussed the 2026 Fiscal Year budget with the board. He explained the dollar amounts regarding the possible project with the City of Oakland and Village of Craig. Discussion was also held on the dollar amounts listed for equipment in the upcoming fiscal year. Discussion was also held on a possible rate increase beginning January 2026. Motion was made by Tobin to approve the 2026 Fiscal Year budget. Second by Fehrer. Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None Motion carried.

Bruckner updated the board on the progress of the City of Oakland and Village of Craig project. JJ also informed the board on the City of Oakland's progress with the construction of the new water treatment plant being built by the City.

New service for Braydon Drummond at 1975 County Road F Craig, Nebraska Twp 21 Rg 9 Sec 35 was discussed. Motion was made by Fehrer to approve new service at this location. Second by Kruger. Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None Motion carried.

Shawn updated the board on the SCADA upgrades. Bruckner informed the board that he has applied for grant money to help with the cost of the upgrade. Peterson asked about the antennas on the tower and discussion was held.

Shawn informed the board he was approached by the current landowner of the farm ground around the Oakland tower that he would like to build a grain bin at this location. Bruckner is researching easements regarding this property and the water tower. Both will keep the board informed of any updates.

Three bids were presented to the board for purchasing new tires for the 2021 pickup operated by the LEWRS. Discussion held. Peterson made the motion to purchase 4 - 275/60R20 Cooper Discoverer Stronghold AT 10 ply tires from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Station in Oakland for a total cost of \$1,367.56. Second by Fehrer. Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None Motion carried.

Blahak gave the manager's report. See attached copy.

The next meeting will be on September 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the LERWS office in Oakland.  
Having no further business, Dierking adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

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

I, Kathy Pearson the undersigned acting 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 August 11, 2025

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Others present: Shawn Blahak, JJ Johansen, LERWS employees, Doug Hallum LENRD employee.

**Logan East Rural Water System**  
**Manager's Report**  
 Activities during July 2025  
 Reported at August 11, 2025 meeting.

Gallons pumped	12,224,000	Scribner booster pumped	889,600
Gallons sold	10,558,000	Fontanelle booster pumped	3,288,800

1,666,000 = 13% loss

Quarterly Nitrate sample **9.51**

**2025**

July 8	Shawn-sample and locates	JJ-service calls 805 CR 47 & 4861 Lake Shore
July 9	Shawn-samples to Lincoln & locates	JJ-fixed meters
July 10	Shawn-locates	JJ-checked sites
July 11	Shawn-put new 8" line back in service & locates	JJ- fixed meters
July 14	Shawn-sampled & to Lincoln	JJ-mowed
July 15	Shwan-BCPP install	JJ-mowed
July 16	Shawn-leak repair Font BPS & screen repair Font tower	JJ-fixed meters
July 17	Shawn-changed battery on generator	JJ-mowed
July 18	Shawn-locates	
July 21	Shawn-sampled & to Lincoln	JJ-read meters
July 22	Shawn-leak dig PRV station to Summit Lake	JJ-read meters
July 23	Shawn-locates & checked PRVs	JJ-drawdowns at wells
July 24	Shawn-flush line for Jackson	JJ-mowed & checked sites
July 25		JJ-locates & mowed
July 28	Shawn-took Brian to Wayne car broke down	JJ-read meters
July 29	Shawn-repair pit leak Kreite Farms	JJ-fixed meters
July 30	Shawn-locates	JJ-fixed meters
July 31	Shawn-checked sites	JJ-fixed meters
Aug 1	Shawn-locates	JJ-check wells
Aug 4	Shawn-exercise vales	JJ-fixed meters