

MINUTES OF REGULAR
LOGAN EAST RURAL WATER SYSTEM
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
7:00 p.m. Monday, April 13, 2026
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, April 13, 2026. The Publication of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act information was printed in the Burt County Independent on April 9, 2026, and is posted by the entrance door. Rollcall was taken with 9 committee members present. Present: Dam, Dierking, Fehrer, Frederick, Hagerbaumer, Johnson, Kruger, Peterson and Tobin. Absent: none. Rollcall of the Lower Elkhorn NRD appointed members Present: Gary Loftis. Absent: Roger Gustafson and Brian Bruckner, LENRD General Mgr.

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

Public comment: None.

Kathy Pearson read the minutes of the regular meeting on March 16, 2026, and was approved. Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None. Motion carried.

Finance Reports were reviewed & approved. Discussion held. Fifty-five accounts still owe for their February 2026 water bill, 16 accounts of the 55 are 60 plus days or more past due. All 16 customers were sent disconnect letters. As of meeting time, 21 customers are still owing their February 2026 water bill, and two of the disconnect customers have not paid or responded to the disconnect letter, while one customer called and discussed a payment plan.

Manager Shawn Blahak informed the Advisory Committee of a request for new service at Burning Sage Acres LLC, Twp 21, R 10, Sec 28, Burt County, 2768 County Road G, Tekamah. Discussion was held. Motion was made by Tobin to approve service at this location. There being not a second, the motion died.

JJ Johansen presented bids for the purchase of a new mower. Discussion was held. Motion was made by Kruger to purchase the Scag Patriot from Mel's Small Engine Service in Bancroft for \$7,600.00. Second by Dam. Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None. Motion carried.

Pearson informed the Advisory Committee of the ongoing problem with Laura Poole and her account #1119, and the unpaid balance of this account. Discussion was held. Motion was made by Fehrer for Pearson to seek counsel from LENRD General Manager Brian Bruckner regarding the unpaid balance of Poole's account and possible legal action. Second by Tobin. Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None. Motion carried.

Blahak informed the Advisory Committee there has been no progress since last month's meeting on the installation of the new SCADA system and equipment by MicroComm. Discussion was held.

LENRD General Manager Brian Bruckner could not attend the monthly meeting but emailed a brief recap for each Advisory Committee member of the meeting he had with the City of Oakland regarding the project between the LERWS, the City of Oakland and Village of Craig. Discussion was held.

Blahak gave the Manager's Report. See attached copy.

The next meeting will be May 11, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. at the LERWS office in Oakland. Having no further business, Dierking adjourned the meeting at 8:58 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 April 13, 2026

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Others present: Shawn Blahak and JJ Johansen, LERWS employees.