



The Lake Poinsett Sanitary District Board met at 8:00 A.M. in regular session at Lakes Plaza, on Lake Poinsett, September 13, 2025. Board members Dennis Micko, David Chicoine, Paul Calkins and Joel Mohlenhoff were in attendance. Other attendees included employees Lydia Fuhr and Geff Goodfellow. There was no public in attendance.

President Micko called the meeting to order promptly at 8:00 A.M.

The meeting began with a motion by Calkins to approve the agenda as presented. Chicoine seconded the motion, which was then approved with all attending members voting in favor.

Since there was no attending public, the Board moved on to the next agenda item where a motion was made by Chicoine, that was seconded by Calkins, to approve the August Meeting Minutes. The motion carried with all attending members voting in favor.

A motion was made by Mohlenhoff to approve the August Expense and Transaction Report and the August Statement of Accounts. The motion was seconded by Calkins and all attending members voted in favor.

The Board discussed submitting a State Water Plan Application for the West and Northwest Lake Drive Sanitary Sewer Expansion Project. A motion was made by Calkins to authorize the LPSD President and Clerk to sign said application when it is ready. The motion was seconded by Mohlenhoff and all attending members voted in favor.

The Board also discussed the information provided by the Hamlin County FSA office regarding the CRP contract that is tied to the land that was purchased for a future lagoon. It was determined to table the item until more information is received.

A Letter of Agreement was submitted by First District Association of Local Governments regarding services to be provided by First District to create an accurate map of all the land within the LPSD boundary and to identify all property partially within the LPSD boundaries. The services would also include this same information in an online map form. The LPSD Board reviewed the letter and it was approved that the LPSD President be authorized to sign said agreement letter with a motion by Mohlenhoff that was seconded by Chicoine. The motion carried with all attending members voting in favor.

Goodfellow presented the monthly facilities report verbally. He reported that Dakota Pump repaired a pump in Lift Station #8 that was plugged and a pump in Lift Station #9 that had a seal failure. Electric Pump repaired a pump in Lift Station #15 that was plugged, as well. S&W installed a gravity sewer service line that he reviewed. Goodfellow also reported the completion of septic tank pumpings, mowing and corrected a couple house pumps that were in alarm mode. Kevin with Banner also provided him with an update that Southwest Lake Drive will be getting more gravel and Lift Station #10 will get a berm or something installed around it so it does not flood when there are high volume rains. Lastly, a customer on East Lake Drive is concerned about the height of a LPSD manhole that may be affected



when his backlot culvert is installed. It was mentioned the homeowner could maybe get more insight on the best course of action from the Lake Poinsett Water Project Board.

Fuhr presented the monthly business report verbally. She reported that Winter Contracting plans to dig test holes for the North Lake Drive Project within the week and then install dewatering wells the week after that. Fuhr asked for clarification on where to advertise for bids regarding garbage service. It was agreed to advertise in the LPSD's legal newspapers of the Brookings Register and the Hamlin County Herald. The owner of the Smokin's Pub & Grub building would like to know how sewer service can be canceled since they no longer use the building. The Board determined that as long as there is a structure there, sewer service will remain. Additionally, Fuhr noted the time to apply unpaid sewer or garbage services to resident taxes was coming up. With that said, a motion was made by Calkins, seconded by Chicoine that the Clerk be authorized to certify to each County Auditor all delinquent accounts due and owing to the District pursuant to SDCL 34A-5-40 and to charge all delinquent accounts a \$35 administrative fee with that certification. All attending members voted in favor and the motion carried.

In other business Chicoine mentioned that the LPSD is investigating the completion of an updated and more modernized website. The LPSD attorney will be contacted for a definition of commercial property in regards to residents that rent their property and the Board and their consultant are to investigate the sewer use fees for the State Park.

With there being no further business, Mohlenhoff made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Calkins and all attending members voted in favor.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be October 11, 2025 at 8:00 A.M.

These unapproved minutes were taken and signed by Lydia Fuhr, District Clerk.

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING: The Lake Poinsett Sanitary District meets the second Saturday of each month at 8:00 A.M. at 19553 US Hwy 81 on Lake Poinsett, unless rescheduled. The LPSD can be contacted by email at lakepoinsettsanitarydistrict@gmail.com or by phone at (605) 880-4503 and additional information can be found online at <https://sites.google.com/site/lakepoinsettsanitarydistrict/>.

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