

Annual Meeting Minutes (draft) March 21, 2023

The Annual Meeting was called to order by President, Joe Burns at 7:02pm.

Introductions of the Board of Directors included: Joe Burns, Larry Healy, Otto Hagedorn, Mike Perkinson, Chris Hofer, Roger Lamp, Dan Fink, and At Large director candidate Trent Lubbers. Mary Pat Mullen (KMWF), Brenda Ask, (Frieberg, Nelson & Ask), and Jeff Fossum (SDARWS) were also present. Mr. Burns introduced Robin Dykstra, Manager; Robin then introduced staff including Andrew Krege, Assistant manager, Claire Hotze, Office Operations; Dan Schwarz, Logan Brown, Matthew Schnabel, and Nick Larson Operators.

A quorum was present with 56 memberships represented.

Secretary/Treasurer, Otto Hagedorn, read the Proof of Mailing Notice. Copies of the Minutes of last year's Annual Meeting were included in the Annual Meeting Official Notice brochure. Rex Pommier made a motion to approve the Minutes and Darwin Albers seconded the motion. The 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Mary Pat Mullen, Auditor, presented an explanation of the Comparative Audit Report for 2022-2021. Handouts reflecting assets, liabilities, cash flows, revenues and expenses, and a comparison of 2022-2021 change in net assets were reviewed. A motion was made by John Monahan and seconded by Patty Peterson to approve the Audit Report. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

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Brenda Ask, Attorney, conducted the election process. A petition for District I was handed in by Mike Perkinson. A petition for District II was handed in by Dan Fink. A petition for the At Large director position was turned in by Trent Lubbers. A motion to cast a unanimous vote was made by John Monahan and seconded by Rex Pommier. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A Proposed Resolution for Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation, Article XIII as written in the 2023 Official Annual Meeting Notice was presented by attorney Brenda Ask. Brenda Ask called for a vote on the amendment to the Articles of Incorporation as written on the ballot. Ballots were tallied by a three-person counting team consisting of Dan Fink, Brenda Ask, and Rex Pommier. The vote was 50-Yes, 4-No. Motion passed.

Joe Burns called for Old Business. There was none. Joe Burns called for New Business. There was none.

Joe Burns reported on the recent service medal awards from SDARWS for Larry Healy achieving his 10 years of service as a director in 2023, and for Otto Hagedorn achieving his 40 years of service on the board of directors in 2023.

A motion was made by Traci Abraham and seconded by Garry Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 7:41pm. Motion passed.

Our mission is to sell and deliver high quality water to our members with great service at a fair price.

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2024 ANNUAL MEETING OFFICIAL NOTICE

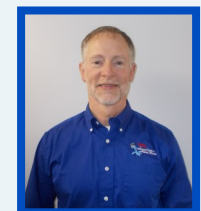
According to Article VII, Section 1, of the By-Laws, the Annual Meeting of the members of Lincoln County Rural Water System, Inc., will be held at **5:00 PM on Tuesday, March 19, 2024** at the office located at 27066 Henry Pl., Sioux Falls SD 57108. Registration will begin at 4:30 PM. This brochure announcement will serve as the official notice to all members.

The Annual Meeting is held so members can elect directors, review the financial status of the Corporation, vote on proposed Amendments to By-Laws or Articles of Incorporation, and vote on proposed resolutions. As outlined in Article V of the By-Laws of Lincoln County Rural Water System, Inc., two petitions for directors were successfully submitted.

**Joe Burns
for District 1**



**Chris Hofer
for District 3**



No nominations will be received from the floor at the Annual Meeting of the members. All members are urged to attend the annual meeting. A one-time \$25 credit per member, (regardless of the number of memberships) will be applied to your water bill when you attend this meeting. This does not apply to tenants or renters.

Manager Report by Robin Dykstra

Where do I start? I did not write a manager report last year because we have reduced the size of the flyer, we send out annually. The flyer is our notice to let our members know about the upcoming annual meeting. **This year it is at 5:00PM on March 19.**

We have a lot going on with your water system. We have several projects that are either ready for construction or in engineering or planning stages. I will identify them for you in the next several paragraphs.

Our first project is what we have labeled the Eastside Improvement Project. This project consists of 2 ½ miles of 16 inch mainline, 2 miles of 12 inch mainline, and about ½ mile of 8 inch mainline. The purpose of this project is two-fold. It is to get our large diameter mainline construction out of Sioux Falls growth area before Sioux Falls grows over it. The other is to strengthen the eastern side of the water system. We received American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for a portion of the project with the remaining amount to be paid with an SRF loan. This project is planned to start late spring and be completed by end of 2024.

Our next project is labeled the Westside Improvement Project. This project consists of 1 mile of 12 inch mainline, 3.75 miles of 8 inch mainline and tie into a planned Lewis and Clark second connection.

As many of our members know, the South Dakota DOT, the city of Sioux Falls and others are planning an interchange at 85th St. and I-29. This affects LCRWS as we have a 6 inch mainline that is currently along and through that area. We are working with the Sioux Falls to come up with a solution to the conflicts created by this project. We are in private easements along 85th St. that help us considerably. With this project we are looking at a second connection to the Lewis and Clark Regional Water System. This second connection would be constructed near the intersection of 270th St and 468th Ave.

Another project that is affecting LCRWS is the Veteran's Parkway project. Because of the conflicts created by the planned roadway we are having challenges with keeping our existing water lines and connections in-tact. We are planning other improvements along 271st St. from Louise Ave. to Tallgrass Ave. and then to Albers Ave.

And the last item I will mention in this report is the growth of the city of Harrisburg into our water system. The growth west of Harrisburg to the new Adventure Elementary School and north to 271st St. is our area to serve water. We are working with our engineers and developers to prepare for the growth.

This is the end of my written report, come to the annual meeting for more information.