

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
EMMONS COUNTY
March 10, 2025**

Chairman Geffre called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M., with members Weber, Kalberer and, DeBoer being present, Keller being absent.

The minutes of the December 16, 2024 regular meeting were read, motion by DeBoer to approve, second by Weber. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Weber to approve the agenda with an added item of the Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

A Treasurer's report was given in the amount of \$82,296.85; Treasurer's report for the Horsehead Project was given in the amount of \$789.83. Discussion on the Edward Jones Investments in the amount of \$405,754.61 as of February 28, 2025. Motion by Weber to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Keller was re-appointed to the board starting January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. Election of Officers for 2025 was appointed as follows:

Chairman: Glenn Geffre, Kalberer nominated Geffre, Weber ceased the nominations and cast unanimous ballot. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Vice Chairman: Richard Keller, Weber nominated Keller, DeBoer ceased nominations and cast unanimous ballot. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer: John C DeBoer, Kalberer nominated DeBoer, Weber ceased nominations and cast unanimous ballot. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Update on the south outreach area of the Snagging and Clearing project that was bid by Russell Lawler Construction. Lawler estimated to finish the project Spring of 2025.

Discussed the Missouri River Joint Water Board and House Bill 1218 listed as Comprehensive water development plan.

Discussed the County Commissioners meeting with Logan County Irrigation future project and the Horsehead Irrigation District.

Discussed the permits required to do Subsurface Water Management Systems for less than 80 Acres. A "Notification to Install a Subsurface Water Management System" must be submitted to the Water Board prior to installation. Four notifications in Township 133, Range 78 were signed by Chairman Geffre at the meeting. Deis was to contact local paper to do an ad/article for the general information on drain permitting.

Deis contact the Regulatory Division of the ND Department of Water Resources to do an inspection on Nieuwsma Dam. Geffre noticed some issues with the Dam.

Mary Senger, DEM, per phone call updated the board on the Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan is to be updated every 5 years concerning any Hazard areas in the County for example, Schwahn Lake and Rice Lake. Senger will work with Deis on the update.

Motion by Deboer to increase clerical salary by four percent as per Emmons County 2025 raise, second by Kalberer. All voted “Aye”, motion carried.

Motion by Weber, second by Kalberer to approve the following bills:

2065	ND Water Users Assoc	Dues	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
2066	ND Water Res Dist Assoc	Dues	\$ 675.00	\$ 675.00
2067	Missouri River Joint Water	Dues	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
2068	Workforce Safety	Workmens Comp	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
2069	Emmons County	Liability Insurance	\$ 1,587.27	\$ 1,587.27
EFT	EFTPS	SS Report	\$ 251.36	\$ 251.36
2070	Voice for Lake Oahe	Dues	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
2071	Ardella Deis	Clerical	\$ 986.86	\$ 911.36
2072	John C DeBoer	Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 114.00	\$ 105.27
2073	Glenn Geffre	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 314.00	\$ 359.97
2074	Joe Kalberer	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 114.00	\$ 150.07
2075	Tim Weber	Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 114.00	\$ 105.27

Motion by Kalberer to adjourn, second by Weber. All voted “Aye”, motion carried.

APPROVED: This _____ day of June, 2025.

Ardella Deis, Clerical

Glenn Geffre, Chairman

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
EMMONS COUNTY
April 14, 2025

The special meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M, with board members Geffre, Weber, DeBoer and Kalberer present. Keller being absent.

Chairman Geffre called for the special meeting to discuss the funding for the feasibility study for the Logan, Emmons Proposed Irrigation Project. Discussed the printout from Moore Engineering, Inc on the scope of work and the background of the potential irrigable lands in Emmons and Logan Counties. Motion by Kalberer to contribute five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the proposed Emmons, Logan County Irrigation project, second by Weber. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Weber to adjourn, second by DeBoer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

APPROVED: This day of June, 2025.

Ardella Deis, Clerical

Glenn Geffre, Chairman

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
EMMONS COUNTY
June 9, 2025**

Chairman Geffre called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., with members Weber, Kalberer and, DeBoer being present, Keller being absent.

The minutes of the March 3, 2025 regular meeting and the April 14 special meeting were read, motion by Kalberer to approve, second by DeBoer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Weber to approve the agenda as printed, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

A Treasurer's report was given in the amount of \$61,447.54; Treasurer's report for the Horsehead Project was given in the amount of \$789.85. The Edward Jones Investments are in the amount of \$458,872.36 as of May 30, 2025. The CD from Unison Bank was auto renewed April 2025. The Check to LIDC for \$5000.00 for the Logan/Emmons Irrigation Project was voided. Motion by Weber to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Advertisement for bids for the Spring Creek Snagging and Clearing was in the Emmons County Record the week of May 15 and May 29. Bids were due June 6, 2025. The board received two bids, and after discussion the board will accept the lower bid by Fischer Revitalization LLC. DeBoer will contact Fischer to discuss the project of the snag & clear on the west side of Highway 83. Motion by Weber to accept the bid, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried. Deis will apply for cost share on the finished project done in 2024 for \$39,600.00.

Carl Jackson, Moore Engineering Inc, appeared before the board to discuss the complaint that was filed against Moore Engineering, explaining to the board that Moore Engineering has closed the case.

Discussed the Missouri River Joint Water Board and the email from Greg Lange, Secretary/Treasurer, thanking everyone who signed and returned the Joint Powers Agreement as amended.

Discussed the Logan County Irrigation future project and the Horsehead Irrigation District, funding was approved but Logan County denied sponsoring the future project. The Donation the board gave in the amount of \$5,000, was voided.

Discussed the permits required to do Subsurface Water Management Systems for less than 80 Acres. A "Notification to Install a Subsurface Water Management System" must be submitted to the Water Board prior to installation. Board agreed to re-run the ad in the fall of 2025.

The 2026 estimated budget was discussed. Motion by Weber to approve the budget as presented, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Weber, second by DeBoer to approve the following bills:

2076	Emmons County Record	Drain Tile Ad	\$ 207.00	\$ 207.00
	Edward Jones Investment	Transfer	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
2077	LIDC/VOIDED	Donation	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 00.00
EFT	EFTPS	SS Report	\$ 336.43	\$ 336.43
2078	Russell Lawler Constr	Snag & Clear Project	\$ 39,600.00	\$ 39,600.00
2079	ND Water Resource Dist	Registration	\$ 405.00	\$ 405.00
2080	Emmons County Record	Ad for Bids	\$ 184.00	\$ 184.00
2081	US Postal Service	Box Rent,Stamps	\$ 157.00	\$ 157.00
2082	Ardella Deis	Clerical	\$ 986.86	\$ 911.36
2083	John C DeBoer	Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 328.00	\$ 302.90
2084	Glenn Geffre	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 538.00	\$ 512.90
2085	Joe Kalberer	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 317.60	\$ 300.15
2086	Tim Weber	Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 328.00	\$ 302.90

Motion by Weber to adjourn, second by DeBoer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

APPROVED: This _____ day of August, 2025.

Ardella Deis, Clerical

Glenn Geffre, Chairman

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
EMMONS COUNTY**

June 13, 2025

The special meeting per phone call was called to order at 10:00 A.M, with board members Geffre, Weber, DeBoer and Kalberer on the call. Keller being absent.

Board member DeBoer called for the special meeting to discuss the bids for the Snagging & Clearing Project. Fischer Revitalizations LLC withdrew the bid on June 13, 2025, therefore the bid from Russell Lawler Construction was accepted.

Motion by Weber to adjourn, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

APPROVED: This day of August, 2025.

Ardella Deis, Clerical

Glenn Geffre, Chairman

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
EMMONS COUNTY
August 25, 2025**

Chairman Geffre called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., with members Weber, Kalberer, DeBoer, and Keller being present.

The minutes of the June 9, 2025 regular meeting and the June 13, 2025 special meeting were read, motion by DeBoer to approve, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Weber to approve the agenda as printed, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

A Treasurer's report was given in the amount of \$31,713.33; Treasurer's report for the Horsehead Project was given in the amount of \$789.87. The Edward Jones Investments are in the amount of \$460,265.31 as of July 30, 2025. Motion by Kalberer to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Weber. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Discussion on the fall maintenance work to be done on Spring Creek Snagging and Clearing. Discussed the debris involved with the project. Motion by Kalberer to apply for a new application requesting cost share for the Beaver Creek Snagging and Clearing Project, second by DeBoer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Dale Nagel, KEM Electric employee, was there to inquire about the Horsehead/Logan Co Irrigation Project. Board had no update, Jackson from Moore Engineering told the board nothing will be updated until January 1, 2026.

Carl Jackson, Moore Engineering Inc, appeared before the board to discuss the claim that was filed against Moore Engineering, no ongoing investigation, the case is closed

Discussed the Missouri River Joint Water Board and the meeting on June 26, 2025 to update the amendments to the Joint Powers Agreement.

.Discussed the permits required to do Subsurface Water Management Systems for less than 80 Acres. A "Notification to Install a Subsurface Water Management System" was submitted by Mike Appert for S1/2 & NE1/4 in Section 22, Township 135, Range 76, and signed by Geffre, Chairman. Request by board for Deis to contact Regulatory Division of the ND DWR for clarification rules and regulations on tiling in the County.

The 2026 final budget was discussed. Motion by Weber to approve the budget as presented, second by Keller. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Keller, second by DeBoer to approve the following bills:

2087	Spirit Lake Casino & Resort	Lodging	\$ 577.80	\$ 577.80
EFT	EFTPS	SS Report	\$ 454.55	\$ 454.55
Cash	Emmons County	Bldg & Contents	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00
2088	Ardella Deis	Clerical	\$ 986.86	\$ 911.36

2089	John C DeBoer	Mileage, Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 414.00	\$ 715.32
2090	Glenn Geffre	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 628.00	\$ 982.15
2091	Joe Kalberer	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 214.00	\$ 197.62
2092	Richard Keller	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 474.67	\$ 886.67
2093	Tim Weber	Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 214.00	\$ 197.62

Motion by Weber to adjourn, second by DeBoer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

APPROVED: This _____ day of December, 2025.

Ardella Deis, Clerical

Glenn Geffre, Chairman

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
EMMONS COUNTY
December 11, 2025**

Chairman Geffre called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M., with members Weber, Kalberer, DeBoer, and Keller being present.

The minutes of the August 25, 2025 regular meeting was read, motion by DeBoer to approve, second by Keller. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Weber to approve the agenda as printed, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

A Treasurer's report was given in the amount of \$48,091.05; Treasurer's report for the Horsehead Project was given in the amount of \$789.90. The Edward Jones Investments are in the amount of \$465,478.28 as of November 30, 2025. Motion by Keller to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Board Members Terms of Weber, Kalberer and DeBoer expire December 31, 2025.

Discussion on the fall maintenance work to be done on Spring Creek Snagging and Clearing. Deboer updated the work and areas being done by Lawler Construction. Discussed the web grant application and the email from the state requesting an adjustment of the cost and to edit the application. The application needs to be resubmitted by February 2, 2026. Deboer was going to work with Lawler on the bid total for the project.

Weber and Geffre attended the Horsehead Irrigation District Study Project Meeting in November, the discussed the study scope outline of the project with the board. Deis visited with Sharon Schiermeister and no decision will be made on initiating the project until 2026. Motion by Keller to donate \$5,000 to the project, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Discussed the Missouri River Joint Water and what was discussed at the State Convention in Bismarck.

Deis reported to the board that she visited with Aaron Carranza, PE, Division Director, State Regulatory Division of the State Water Resource about the permits required to do Subsurface Water Management Systems for less than 80 Acres. Carranza said the state is not involved with the permits that are 80 Acres or less and he advised the board to visit with the State's Attorney about the permits and the boards obligations.

Motion by Weber to approve the 2026 Dues for ND Water Users for \$325; ND Water Resource District for \$700; Missouri River Joint Water for \$1,000, second by DeBoer. All voted "Aye", motion carried. Motion by DeBoer to pay Voices for Lake Oahe 2026 dues of \$25 and include a \$75 donation, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Keller to approve the 2026 meeting dates which are March 2, June 1, August 31 and December 14, second by Kalberer. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

Motion by Weber, second by DeBoer to approve the following bills:

2094	Agtegra Coop.	Snag & Clear/Chemical	\$ 2,627.50	\$2,627.50
2095	VOIDED		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2096	ND Water Users Assoc.	Registration	\$ 930.00	\$ 930.00
EFT	EFTPS	SS Report	\$ 362.74	\$ 362.74
2097	Bismarck Hotel & Conf.	Lodging	\$ 714.00	\$ 714.00
2098	Ardella Deis	Clerical	\$ 986.86	\$ 911.36
2099	John C DeBoer	Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 114.00	\$ 105.27
2100	Glenn Geffre	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 713.00	\$ 672.60
2101	Joe Kalberer	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 248.40	\$ 239.67
2102	Richard Keller	Mileage, Sub & Perdiem	\$ 572.00	\$ 540.32
2103	Tim Weber	Sub. & Perdiem	\$ 214.00	\$ 197.62
2104	Voided		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2015	Ardella Deis	Reimb for Supplies	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00

Motion by DeBoer to adjourn, second by Keller. All voted "Aye", motion carried.

APPROVED: This _____ day of March, 2026.

Ardella Deis, Clerical

Glenn Geffre, Chairman