

**Work Session:** Prior to today's board meeting , the directors participated in a work session to discuss and receive updates on the Platte Valley Water Partnership

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
LOWER SOUTH PLATTE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

**August 8, 2025**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Allen Coyne	Jack McClary
Ken Fritzler	Joe Patterson
Bruce Gerk	Kent Pflager
Dan Kendrick	Cody Poitz
Gene Manuello	Carson Smart
Bob Mari	Brad Stromberger

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

Bryan Kembel  
Bryan Ruf

**DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:**

Joe Frank, General Manager  
Rick Fleharty, Technician  
Craig Brownell, Technician  
Deanna Eskew, Secretary

**VISITORS PRESENT:**

None

The meeting was called to order by President Fritzler.

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## **APPROVAL OF THE JULY 8, 2025 BOARD MINUTES:**

Director Coyne made the motion to approve the July 8, 2025 Board Minutes as submitted. Director Mari seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

## **FINANCE REPORT:**

Treasurer Coyne presented the finance report for the month of July. Director Coyne then made the motion to approve payment of District checks 17619-17647. There were no Julesburg Recharge checks. Director Pflager seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

## **WATER RIGHTS MONITORING:**

*Division I, Water Court Resume'*

No statements of opposition will be filed from the June, 2025 Water Court Resume'.

## **WATER ACTIVITIES ENTERPRISE REPORT:**

*Julesburg Recharge Project:*

Adjusted bills which now include the \$100/well late fees were mailed to Pete Walter and Charles Julius.

Manager Frank reported that the District coordinated with the Town of Julesburg to start the Town's augmentation well last Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. It may be necessary to also kick on another augmentation well.

*Heyborne Recharge Project:*

Manager Frank noted that District staff is continuing to work with SPWRAP to improve the water supply intake at the forebay.

## **LEGAL REPORT:**

Manager Frank stated that the board will need to go into executive session to discuss the Platte Valley Water Partnership with legal counsel, in addition to ongoing legal advice and to discuss a potential agreement between the District and the South Platte Water Alliance.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

None

## **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Included in Manager Frank's report were the following:

- LSPWCD 2024 Audit –
  - Manager Frank spoke with David Kauffman from Liittjohann Kauffman and Pederson and reported that the 2024 District audit will be presented at the September board meeting.
- South Platte Compact –
  - There will be a South Platte Community Update at the Sedgwick County Community Center on August 6, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
- WRASP/Colorado Water Congress –
  - Manager Frank will be attending the 2025 Colorado Water Congress Summer Convention in Steamboat on August 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>.
- South Platte Water Related Activities Program (SPWRAP) –
  - Manager Frank noted that the Carlson Recharge Project is still in the feasibility stage.
  - In September, the Operations Committee of SPWRAP will start looking at the interaction between the Tamarack project and the Peterson Ditch as well as the follow-up meetings with the augmentation plan groups regarding SPWRAP recharge payments.
- South Platte Basin Roundtable –
  - The next meeting of the Roundtable will be held next Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At approximately 10:02 a.m. Director Coyne made the motion to adjourn into executive session for the following:

1. Conference with the District's attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b),
2. For the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiation, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e).
3. To discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of real, personal, or other property interest under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(a),

Director Kendrick seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

President Fritzler adjourned the executive session and reconvened the board meeting at approximately 1:01 p.m.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Director Pflager made the motion to approve the General Manager Agreement with the South Platte Water Alliance. Director Gerk seconded the motion. Motion carried. It was noted for the record that Directors Smart and Stromberger abstained from voting on the motion. Director Stromberger left the meeting prior to discussion.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Director Poitz made the motion to adjourn. Director Kendrick seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:04 p.m.

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Deanna Eskew, District Secretary