

MEETING MINUTES
LAWRENCEBURG CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD AT 4:30 P.M. ON July 16, 2026
AT 225 EAST EADS PARKWAY, LAWRENCEBURG, INDIANA

THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS WERE PRESENT:

Jim Kittle, Chairman – by phone	Term: 1/2025-1/2029	Mike Noel	Term: 1/2025-1/2029
Dave Staab, Vice chairman	1/2023-1/2027	Tom Schneider	1/2024-1/2028
Randy Tyler	1/2026-1/2030	Andy Lyons	1/2024-1/2028
Greg McAdams	1/2023-1/2027		

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT:

Paul Seymour, Superintendent
Jared Ewbank, Attorney
Heather Shaut, Administrative Assistant

Administrative Issues

Staab opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Ewbank called roll, with Kittle not yet present.

Staab asked for a motion to approve the June 18, 2026 minutes. Lyons motioned to approve the minutes, Noel seconded the motion, and motion carried unanimously.

Staab asked for a motion to approve the agenda with Seymour's requested addition of the MOU and Ewbank's requested addition of the election. Lyons motioned to approve the agenda with the changes, seconded by Noel and passed unanimously.

Staab called for a motion to pay the current month's claims and vouchers. Schneider motioned to pay the monthly claims and vouchers, McAdams seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

There was discussion on the vacant property for sale at 236 E High Street that serves as access to the relief well system and concern if someone builds there that the access might be limited, despite the easement. The property is listed at \$12,000. Noel made a motion to make a full price offer. The motion was seconded by McAdams and passed unanimously. In further discussion, it was noted the property is owned by the

redevelopment committee and they have a contingency that there will be a home built on the property. It was decided Ewbank would present the offer, with the exception of building.

Seymour requested approval to move forward with getting plans for a 40x60 pole barn to add additional equipment and supplies storage, with electricity just for lights and battery chargers. The plans would be able to be used for permits and quotes for a final vote on whether to build at a later date. Kittle joined the meeting by phone at approximately 4:40 pm. Hrezo shared the estimated cost of \$8,850 plus \$2,050 for electrical additions in the design. There was discussion as to whether the project would require bids or just quotes and possible alternatives or adjustments to the proposed project. It was decided to have the construction committee look at the project for further discussion next month.

Grant Project

Andrew Birmingham, JMT, shared that the BRIC sub applicant grant submission was successfully made to IDHS by the deadline and IDHS committed to submit to FEMA by the July 23 deadline. He noted the just under \$6 million amount is slightly smaller than the original due to removing some routine maintenance from the estimates. Historically, FEMA notifies in 6-9 months.

Superintendent's report Lawrenceburg

The gate welds are complete, including inspection by Acuren. Hrezo has received Acuren's bill and expects DeBra's before next month. USACE felt confident not to review the work in person. Acuren's and DeBra's reports will be compiled and sent to USACE.

Mike Hrezo indicated once signed, he will send letters of no objection to USACE along with plans for approval for the MGPI drains project and for the rip rap project on High Street.

Hrezo indicated the US 50 gate closure will take place approximately mid-September, following a 45-day waiting period. There was discussion of additional planning and contractors required for traffic safety.

John Mundell discussed the first self-guided levee inspection using the USACE's new portal and the opportunities and benefits it provides. It also supports the USACE's five-year inspections and allows LCD to get ahead of issues. He also discussed the Memorandum of Understanding LCD will be pursuing with various entities within the levee district. Clarification of trigger levels, communication, response and plans can show FEMA that the risk level in the district is lower than previously presented and the risk to life will be mitigated through these detailed plans that will now be expressed in writing in the MOUs, to be included in the Emergency Action Plan as well as the O&M. Mundell updated on the Durbin Plaza development, noting they are communicating with the developers. For the MGPI drains, Mundell will have the monitoring report complete in late August, which will be the basis for the design and will be incorporated in the seepage report. The O&M plan will be complete in September. Mundell is waiting to hear back from FEMA regarding LAMP.

Community Athletic Park

Seymour shared that a leak behind the pit area was repaired.

Secretary Report

Shaut indicated the budget process is beginning and will follow the same timeline as past years.

Attorney Report

Ewbank discussed highlights from the lobbyist report and the various representatives they met with in June, the main goal being to let them know we have Vance Mitchem as our lobbyist representatives. He would also like the lobbyists to work with lawmakers to move the conservancy district elections away from Christmastime.

Seymour shared the lobbyists were able to get Rep. Steve Bartels to schedule a tour of LCD.

Ewbank will begin election process August 1.

Finance Committee Report

Staab shared the quarterly finance reports.

Personnel Committee Report

Tyler expressed the personnel committee wanted a vote on the employee handbooks. Lyons made a motion to approve the handbooks, seconded by Schneider and passed unanimously.

There being no more business, Staab adjourned the meeting.

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Jim Kittle, Chairman

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Jim Kittle, is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

