



**VALPARAISO LAKES AREA CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**

February 18, 2026 Annual Meeting

BOARD OF
DIRECTORS

Chairman
Kyle Hauber

Vice-Chairman
Chad Kuehl

Members

Christian Anderson

Connie Hughes

Walt Breitinger

Michael Cantieri

Richard Tegt

CONSULTANTS

General Manager
Alicia Barber

Financial Secretary
Dale Brewer

Attorney
Chuck Parkinson

Engineer
Jacob Ballah
BF&S

The Board of Directors of the Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District met in the Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District Board Room at 1805 Burlington Beach Road, Valparaiso, Indiana on February 18, 2026, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Board members present included Christian Anderson, Kyle Hauber, Connie Hughes, Walt Breitinger, Michael Cantieri, Richard Tegt and Chad Kuehl. Consultants present included Alicia Barber, Dale Brewer, Chuck Parkinson, and Jacob Ballah.

Chairman Christian Anderson called the board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Christian appointed three judges for the election. Linda Alessi, Martin Yake, and Florence Schneider.

Christian suspended the meeting until the official count has been recognized.

Christian unsuspending the meeting.

Dale thanked the judges and announced the results of the election. 27 ballots voted. 0 rejected. 21 votes for Walt Breitinger and 6 votes for Brian Niksch.

Chuck swore in the successful candidate Walt Breitinger to his board seat, Burlington Beach South, for a term of 4 years ending at the annual meeting in 2030.

Christian asked for nominations for chairman of the board. Walt nominated Kyle as chairman of the board. Christian asked for any other nominations. No other nominations. Connie seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote. Kyle Hauber was elected as chairman of the board.

Kyle asked for nominations for vice chairman of the board. Michael nominated Chad as vice chairman of the board. Kyle asked for any other nominations. No other nominations. Connie seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote. Chad Kuehl was elected as vice chairman of the board.

Approval of Minutes for January 21, 2026 Board Meeting

- Connie made a motion to approve the minutes. Christian seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.

Approval of Claims

- Chad made a motion to approve claims. Christian seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.

Attorneys Report

- Chuck informed that Alicia had been directed by the board to reach out to VCU about requesting a water rate reduction. She has received a written response from the executive director on February 12, 2026, declining the request for reduced rates.

Engineers Report

- Jacob reported they started compiling the asset management plan.
- Blackhawk Beach Road had surveyors on site this week.
- Edgewater Beach Road is still awaiting surveyors because of weather.

General Managers Report

- Alicia spoke about construction started in Wildrose subdivision
- Fiber optic is still being installed around the district
- Alicia informed about a 10” water main blow out that is Valparaiso City Utilities, not LAC Utilities, that happened over the weekend near Lowenstine Lane.

Kyle opened the floor to public comment. Seeing no comments, Kyle adjourned the meeting at 6:00PM

Next regularly scheduled meeting: March 18, 2026



Attested by Alicia Barber, General Manager