



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

January 21, 2026

**BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS**

**Chairman**

Christian Anderson

**Vice-Chairman**

Kyle Hauber

**Members**

Connie Hughes

Walt Breitinger

Michael Cantieri

Richard Tegt

Chad Kuehl

**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 January 21, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Board members present included Christian Anderson, Kyle Hauber, Connie Hughes, Walt Breitinger, Michael Cantieri and Chad Kuehl. Board member not present was Richard Tegt. Consultants present included Alicia Barber, Dale Brewer, Chuck Parkinson, and Jacob Ballah.

Chairman Christian Anderson called the board meeting to order.

**Approval of Claims**

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

**Resolution 26-1 Transfer \$27,409.00 to Rainy Day Fund**

- Kyle motioned to transfer the funds. Connie seconded which was approved by unanimous vote.

**Accept list of outstanding warrants over two years old**

- Chad motioned to accept the outstanding warrants. Connie seconded which was approved by unanimous vote.

**Attorneys Report**

- Chuck received an email from a freeholder concerning the minutes. Chuck read a summary of the email and said he was satisfied that the minutes accurately reflect what was said in the public comment section. Chuck explained he listened to the recording of the public comments. Chuck said he is not concerned with the minutes as written and that the board could review the recording of the meeting if they chose to, or they could approve the minutes as presented. The board decided to approve the minutes.
- Connie motioned to approve the minutes. Walt seconded which was approved by unanimous vote.
- Chuck mentioned that his contract is up for renewal and asked the board if they would like to retain him as legal for another year.
- Walt motioned in favor of retaining Chuck and his firm. Connie seconded which was approved by unanimous vote.

### Engineers Report

- Jacob informed that field data collection has begun on a few projects as weather permits.

### General Managers Report

- Alicia presented quotes for the asset management project. Quoted price for Phase 1 were OHM \$28,000. Wessler \$27,650. BF&S \$12,000. Some discussion followed.
- Walt motioned to accept BF&S's quote. Kyle seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.
- DLZ engineering has requested LAC's water and sewer maps because they are installing a raw water main for Valparaiso Utilities. Alicia has asked Jacob to digitally send them the maps.
- Alicia presented the board with a price list of water testing for the Listenberger Ditch in relation to the proposed gas station being built up stream of the ditch. Testing the water now could provide a baseline for storm water quality before the gas station is built. Alicia asked the board if they want any of the listed testing done. Alicia suggested oil/grease, trace metals. The board discussed their options, timeline and decided to research and decide later which tests they want done.
- Alicia informed that the budget was appealed twice, and ultimately it was approved and passed without changes by the state of Indiana.
- The board spoke about the possibility of future projects

Christian adjourned the meeting at 6:30PM

Next regularly scheduled meeting: February 18, 2026

Attested by Alicia Barber, General Manager

