

Cavalier County Water Resource Board

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August 27, 2026

Cavalier County Water Resource Board held a regular session meeting on August 27, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. in the Commission Meeting Room in the County Courthouse. Chairman Brian Hardy called the meeting to order at 8:31 AM. Shauna Schneider, Craig Borgen & Secretary Karen Kempert present. Arriving later were Terry Johnston, Josh Short, and Dan Fischer

Shauna Schneider made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Craig Borgen – Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Shauna Schneider and 2nd by Craig Borgen to approve August 13, 2026 minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business – There is no movement on getting the designation of Mt Carmel Dam from Medium Hazard to Low Hazard. There is a meeting with Houston Engineering and Sean Fredericks later today regarding Dresden 2 drain.

New Business - Picnic table storage was discussed. When Rich Olson student's finish them, we will need to find a place to store them for next summer. Karen will contact Cody Sivertson about space in their storage unit. The Board agreed to have Norm Economy remove the trees at the Rec Area, mitigating any damages at his discretion, and turning in the bill when finished. Returning grounds keepers/handy men will be offered an increase in pay over new employees close to the county oil crew pay scale. Assessments were reviewed for drain maintenance for years 2027-2029. Karen will prepare a resolution for approval from the Board for the next meeting. Dan Fischer discussed maintenance and repairs on Mt. Carmel Dam. He would like to see the original plans for the elevations that were done during the repair last time to know if there is damage that can't be seen. He did go down and clean out one drain and inspected the spillway. Finding a missing patch, he spoke with Dale Plummer to repair. The Dam itself needs weed control and mowing for access. Dan suggested that we work to get assistance with funding to stop erosion control in the curve of the Dam and the top of the Dam. He will develop/enhance plans to ensure that all aspects of the problems are in one document. Shawn Morten was contacted to spray the Dam for weeds and trees. A KMZ file was supplied by FLS&E for the area of concern. He will take care of it for weeds and cattails. Terry Johnston delivered a contract for Wildlife Control and Brian asked him about mowing the road at the dam by the spillway. Terry will run it by the road crew. **Craig Borgen made a motion to approve vouchers as presented. Second by Shauna Schneider. Motion passed unanimously.** There was a meeting with Houston Engineering and Sean Fredericks. Dan sent plans and maps for Dresden Drain 2 to Houston to review and familiarize themselves with the project. NDCC 61-16.1-18 for cost analysis applies. Houston will work on that if we decide to sign the Master Service Agreement. Houston and Dan Fischer will work together so that we are not paying for work already done. Houston will also work with the Board through Dan, to determine how they want to go about the project. **Motion was made to accept the Wildlife Control Project with a 2-year contract by Craig Borgen. Second by Shauna Schneider. Motion passed unanimously. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 AM by Shauna Schneider, 2nd Craig Borgen. Motion passed unanimously.**

Next meeting September 10th at 8:30.

Action items:

Karen- Sivertson, Ramsey Assessments KMZ to Shawn. Look for Dan Fischer – Cypress documents for going wider.