

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE LEAGUE ASSOCIATION OF RISK MANAGEMENT

Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021, 4:30 p.m. CT/3:30 p.m. MT
Cornhusker Marriott Hotel – Grand Ballroom, B and C
333 S 13th Street, Lincoln NE

A Meeting of the League Association of Risk Management (LARM) Board of Directors was held September 22, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. CT/3:30 p.m. MT in the Grand Ballroom, B & C at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel at 333 S 13th Street in Lincoln, Nebraska.

(AGENDA ITEM #1) **Call to Order.** At 4:30 p.m. CT, **LARM Board Chair Mayor Doug Hanson**, called the Meeting to order.

The roll call was read with the following voting Board Members present: **LeAnn Brown**, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Oshkosh; **Pam Buethe**, Board Member, Sarpy County SID #29; **Lanette Doane**, Clerk/Treasurer, Village of Ansley; **Mayor Don Groesser**, City of Ralston; **Mayor Doug Hanson**, City of Hickman; **Melissa Harrell**, Administrator/Treasurer, City of Wahoo; **Mayor Tony Kaufman**, City of Gering; **Jo Leyland**, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer, City of Imperial; **Mayor Josh Moenning**, City of Norfolk; **Tom Ourada**, Administrator, City of Crete; **Mayor Joey Spellerberg**, City of Fremont; and **Mayor Deb VanMatre**, City of Gibbon.

At the time of roll call: 12 voting Board Members were present; 2 were absent (**Sandra Schendt**, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Nelson; and **Teresa Youngquist**, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Beaver City) and 1 vacancy. Ex-officio (non-voting) Board Member **L. Lynn Rex**, Executive Director of the League of Nebraska Municipalities and Administrator of LARM was present; ex-officio (non-voting) Board Member **Mayor Paul Lambert**, City of Plattsmouth, and President of the League of Nebraska Municipalities, was absent.

Other participants included: **LARM** – Dave Bos, Tracy Juranek, Diane Becker, Elizabeth Becker, Fred Wiebelhaus, Nate Fox and Clint Simmons; **League of Nebraska Municipalities** – Shirley Riley; **Cline Williams Law Firm** – representing LARM, Andy Barry and Trent Sidders; **Sedgwick** (LARM's third party administrator) – Chris Cadwell, Mark Weaver, John Baum and Kristen Smolek.

Board Chair Mayor Doug Hanson indicated that on September 17, 2021, notice of this Meeting with the agenda and other materials were sent to all LARM members and the LARM Board. Notice of this Meeting with the agenda and other materials were available for public inspection at 1335 L Street in Lincoln, Nebraska, and also were posted with the following links kept continually current: an electronic copy of the agenda and all documents being considered at the meeting, with a link to the current Open Meetings Act on LARM's website – larmpool.org and Facebook page- www.facebook.com/larmne.

Board Chair Mayor Doug Hanson stated in accordance with Chapter 84, Article 14 of the Reissue Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska 1943, as amended, one copy of all reproducible written materials to be discussed was available to the public at this meeting for examination. The Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room and was accessible to members of the public. Chair Mayor Doug Hanson informed the public about the location of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room and stated that the LARM Board may pass motions to go into closed session on any agenda item pursuant to the requirements of the Open Meetings Act.

The pledge of allegiance to the United States of America was recited.

(AGENDA ITEM #2) Consider a motion as provided in Article I, Section 1 of LARM's Bylaws and Section 8.1 of LARM's Interlocal Agreement to approve LARM Administrator Lynn Rex's recommendation to appoint Connie Jo Beck, Clerk of the City of St. Paul, to fill the vacancy and serve the unexpired term of Doug Schultz, Former City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Curtis, on the LARM Board of Directors. *(Presented by Lynn Rex, Administrator, LARM)* Mayor Tony Kaufman moved, seconded by Melissa Harrell to approve LARM Administrator Lynn Rex's recommendation to appoint Connie Jo Beck, Clerk of the City of St. Paul, to fill the vacancy and serve the unexpired term of Doug Schultz, Former City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Curtis, on the LARM Board. Chair Mayor Doug Hanson asked if there was any other discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 12 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

(AGENDA ITEM #3) Consider a motion to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2021, Meeting of the LARM Board of Directors. *(Presented by Dave Bos, Executive Director, LARM)*. Lanette Doane moved, seconded by Mayor Deb VanMatre to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2021 Meeting of the LARM Board of Directors. Chair Mayor Doug Hanson asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: Buethe. None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 12 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention and 2 absent.**

(AGENDA ITEM #4) Consider a motion to accept the quarterly update on LARM investments. *(Presented by Michael Maloney, Senior Portfolio Manager, US Bank)*. LeAnn Brown moved, seconded by Mayor Josh Moenning to accept the quarterly update on LARM investments. Chair Mayor Doug Hanson asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

(AGENDA ITEM #5) **Consider a motion to accept the quarterly update on LARM financials.** *(Presented by Mark Weaver, CPA, Director of Financial Reporting, Sedgwick).* Melissa Harrell moved, seconded by Mayor Tony Kaufman to accept the quarterly update on LARM financials. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

(AGENDA ITEM #6) **Consider a motion to approve the reinsurance update and place the following coverages: a) Excess Workers' Compensation, Effective 10-1-21; b) Excess Liability, Effective 1-1-21.** *(Presented by Chris Cadwell, Director of Pool Administration, Sedgwick and Dave Bos, Executive Director, LARM).* Mayor Josh Moenning moved, seconded by Mayor Tony Kaufman to approve the reinsurance update and place the following coverages effective 10-1-21: a) Excess Workers' Compensation and b) Excess Liability. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

(AGENDA ITEM #7) **Consider a motion to approve LARM's Proposed Budget for FY 2021-22.** *(Presented by Mark Weaver, CPA, Director of Financial Reporting, Sedgwick; Dave Bos, Executive Director; Tracy Juranek, Assistant Executive Director, LARM and Lynn Rex, Administrator, LARM).* Mayor Joey Spellerberg moved, seconded by Lanette Doane to approve LARM's Proposed Budget for FY 2021-22. Chair Mayor Doug Hanson asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

(AGENDA ITEM #8) **Consider a motion to retain Lamson Dugan & Murray LLP (or another law firm if Lamson Dugan & Murray LLP is not available) for the limited purpose of advising the LARM Board of Directors whether to jointly retain Cline Williams with the League Executive Board to establish new and/or update previously existing agreements between LARM and the League and consent to the joint representation in matters that involve both the League and LARM.** *(Presented by Andy Barry and Trent Sidders, Cline Williams and Dave Bos, Executive Director, LARM).* After some discussion, Mayor Tony Kaufman moved, seconded by Mayor Don Groesser to retain Lamson Dugan & Murray LLP (or another law firm if Lamson Dugan & Murray LLP is not available) for the limited purpose of advising the LARM Board of Directors whether to jointly retain Cline Williams with the League Executive Board to establish new and/or update previously existing agreements between LARM and the League and consent to the joint representation in matters that involve both the League and LARM. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell,

Kaufman, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: Leyland. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 12 ayes, 1 nay, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

(AGENDA ITEM #9) **Consider a motion to go into closed session to protect the public interest to receive an update regarding open LARM claims and litigation.** (Presented by Andy Barry and Trent Sidders, Cline Williams; Dave Bos, Executive Director, LARM and John Baum, Litigation Claims Manager, Sedgwick). Melissa Harrell moved, seconded by Pam Buethe to go into closed session to protect the public interest to receive an update regarding open LARM claims and litigation with the following joining the LARM Board in closed session: Dave Bos, Tracy Juranek, Fred Wiebelhaus, Andy Barry, Trent Sidders, Chris Cadwell, Kristen Smolek and John Baum. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

Chair Mayor Doug Hanson repeated the motion again to go into closed session to protect the public interest to receive an update regarding open LARM claims and litigation with the following joining the LARM Board in closed session: Dave Bos, Tracy Juranek, Fred Wiebelhaus, Andy Barry, Trent Sidders, Chris Cadwell, Kristen Smolek and John Baum. As of 5:49 p.m. the Board was in closed session.

At 6:18 p.m., Chair Mayor Doug Hanson restated that the reason the Board went into closed session was to protect the public interest to receive an update regarding open LARM claims and litigation with the following joining the LARM Board in closed session: Dave Bos, Tracy Juranek, Fred Wiebelhaus, Andy Barry, Trent Sidders, Chris Cadwell, Kristen Smolek and John Baum. He went on to state that there was no action taken in the closed session and that the Board was now back in open session.

(AGENDA ITEM #10) **Discuss the date for the next meeting of the LARM Board of Directors.**

(AGENDA ITEM #11) **Motion to adjourn.** At 6:22 p.m., Pam Buethe moved, seconded by Melissa Harrell to adjourn. Chair Mayor Doug Hanson asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Beck, Brown, Buethe, Doane, Groesser, Hanson, Harrell, Kaufman, Leyland, Moenning, Ourada, Spellerberg and VanMatre. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: Schendt and Youngquist. **Motion carried: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absent.**

Approved on: December 1, 2021

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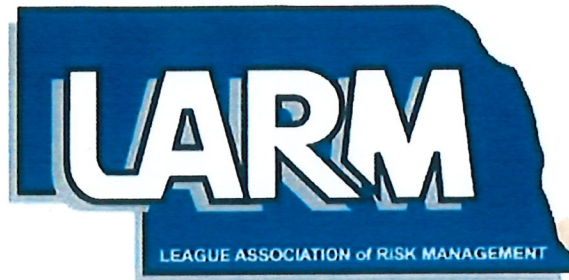


Elizabeth Becker
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Ex-Officio, Non-Voting, LARM Board Member
Executive Director of the League of Nebraska Municipalities

Approved



NOTICE

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LEAGUE ASSOCIATION OF RISK MANAGEMENT (LARM) Wednesday, September 22, 2021, 4:30 p.m. CT/3:30 p.m. MT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on **Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. CT/3:30 p.m. MT**, the League Association of Risk Management (LARM), will hold a LARM Board of Directors meeting at the Cornhusker Marriot Hotel, Grand Ballroom, B and C, 333 South 13th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. An agenda of subjects known at this time is included with this notice, and the agenda shall be kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the principal office of LARM during normal business hours at 1335 L Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. A notice of this meeting with the agenda and other materials are available at this location with a copy of the Open Meetings Act posted. The meeting will also be made available by Zoom via Computer, Smart Device or Telephone <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84697462938?pwd=UDRrRDZpWGVjSG9jcnNlM0E3UStKQT09> or via phone at 1-346-248-7799. The Meeting ID is 846 9746 2938 and the passcode is 069057.

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