



Bass Lake Conservancy District Meeting June 27, 2026

AGENDA:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Minutes
- Financial Report
- Bills
- 5 Year Plan
- Plant Manager's Report
- Comments from Attorney
- Comments from Office Coordinator
- Comments from the Board
- Questions or Comments from the Audience

Chairman Gene Novello called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Gene Novello Director Melissa Long
 Vice Chairman Larry Collura Plant Manager Tom Jordan
 Director Jerry Broadstreet Office Coordinator Tabitha Dillner
 Director Russ Blais Attorney Christian Bartholomew

ABSENT:

Minutes – The reading of the minutes from the meeting was waived and Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2026 meeting, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried.

Financials– Chairman Gene Novello will present them at the next meeting.

NIPSCO	\$ 199.58	Monthly plant
NIPSCO	\$ 890.14	Monthly lift stations
NIPSCO	\$ 2,131.89	Monthly lake pump
NIPSCO	\$ 141.62	Monthly 'E' liftstation generator
NIPSCO	\$ 80.72	Monthly 'F' liftstation generator
NIPSCO	\$ 108.76	Monthly 'G' liftstation generator
NIPSCO	\$ 73.96	Monthly 'M' liftstation generator
Brightspeed	\$ 165.09	Monthly phone fee
PrimePay*	\$ 7,107.18	Bi-weekly payroll – 6/6/2026 – 6/19/2026
Indiana 811	\$ 61.75	Monthly locates – tickets
Indiana 811	\$ 10.00	Monthly locates – phone calls
Flow Tech	\$ 3,577.76	Annual liftstations serviced
DS&S	\$ 350.00	Pumped out 'O' liftstation
Keystone	\$ 4,490.00	Annual software fee
Widner & Sons Excavation	\$ 4,350.00	Cleared drain tiles for farm
Northern IN Wildlife Control	\$ 225.00	Monthly trapper

*\$100 for Director Long for director pay for 1 meeting

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the bills as presented noting each payee, the dollar

amounts, and purpose were read into June 8, 2026 minutes, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

5 Year Plan—Chairman Novello and the Board discussed to increase the 2026 budget for weeds from \$50,000 to \$100,000 and to increase the Repair and Maintenance from \$39,100 to \$60,000. After some discussion Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the changes, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Plant Manager's Report—Plant Manager Jordan reported that there was 6.91 inches of precipitation for June, and the lake pump pumped 21.0 million gallons into the lake. Also, the lake is currently 4 inches below the dam. Plant Manager Jordan presented to the Board a quote for a new pump at liftstation 'B' for \$8,000 that includes labor and materials. After some discussion, Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve to the new pump expense, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried.

District Office Coordinator's Comments — Office Coordinator Dillner stated that 34 liens were released for a total of \$5,058.03.

Attorney's Comments — Nothing additional to add.

Comments from the Board— Director Broadstreet stated that the farm tiles were cleaned last week. Director Blais stated that he met with DNR to discuss cleaning up the ditch at the public launch. DNR stated they couldn't complete the work until the kiosk was removed. Director Blais stated that the Starke County Parks Department will remove the kiosk to be used on one of their properties.

Comments from the Audience— Nothing additional to add.

Adjournment-- Director Broadstreet made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Vice Chairman Collura seconded. Motion carried. The next monthly meeting will be on August 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. CST at the BLPOA building.