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Public Hearing for the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear  
Lakota Community Center  
404 US 2  
Lakota, ND

**Ramsey County Water Board Members Present:** John Martinson, Duaine Ash, Bryston Berg, Randy Schemionek & Van Howatt

**Ramsey County Commissioners Present:** Jeff Frith, Bill Hodous & Ed Brown

**Ramsey County Commissioners Absent:** Blaine Volk & Paul Wilhelmi

**Nelson County Water Board Members Present:** Dave Sateren, Ben Varnson & Josh Forde

**Nelson County Water Board Members Absent:** Todd Whitman

**Nelson County Commissioners Present:** Cody Johnson, Aaron Mork & Michael Haugland

**Nelson County Commissioners Absent:** Cameron Swenson & Doug Flaagan

**Others Present:** Stacy Peters-Ramsey County Office Manager, Kristi Gjesdal-Nelson County Office Manager & landowners

The Public Hearing was called to order by Dave Sateren, Nelson County Water Board Chairman, at 3:11 PM.

Chairman Sateren asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda. Van Howatt made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented; Duaine Ash seconded. All members voted aye and **motion carried.**

Chairman Sateren sat Ben Vernson as voting member.

Chairman Sateren informed all those present that this project was a repeat of the previous Clara Bartlett Snag & Clear. This project is going to cover troubled areas & to proceed more to the north.

After questions & discussions from those present, the Ramsey County Water Board, Nelson County Water Board, Ramsey County Commissioners & Nelson County Commissioners preceded with their vote.

Chairman Martinson asked the Ramsey County Water Board if there was a motion to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project. Duaine Ash, Ramsey County Water Board, motioned to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project: Randy Schemionek, Ramsey County Water Board, seconded. Roll call was taken: Martinson-aye, Ash-aye, Bryston-aye, Schemionek-aye & Howatt-aye. **Motion passed.**

Chairman Martinson asked the Ramsey County Commissioners if there was a motion to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project. Bill Hodous, Ramsey County Commissioner, motioned to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project: Jeff Frith, Ramsey County Commissioner, seconded. Roll call was taken: Hodous-aye, Frith-aye & Brown-aye. **Motion passed.**

Chairman Sateren asked the Nelson County Water Board if there was a motion to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project. Josh Forde, Nelson County Water Board, motioned to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project; Ben Varnson, Nelson County Water Board, seconded. Roll call was taken: Sateren-aye, Forde-aye & Varnson-aye. **Motion passed.**

Chairman Sateren asked the Nelson County Commissioners if there was a motion to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project. Aaron Mork, Nelson County Commissioner, motioned to pass the Clara Bartlett 2026 Snag & Clear Project; Michael Haugland, Nelson County Commissioner, seconded. Roll call was taken: Mork-aye, Haugland-aye & Johnson-aye. **Motion passed**

With no other questions or discussion, John Martinson motioned to adjourn the Public Hearing; Ben Varnson seconded at 3:50 PM.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

John Martinson  
Ramsey County Chairman

Stacy Peters  
Ramsey County Treasurer/Secretary

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