



Minutes

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the League Insurance Government Health Team (LIGHT) April 11, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. CT/1:00 p.m. MT By Virtual Conferencing

A Meeting of the Board of Directors of the League Insurance Government Health Team (LIGHT) by virtual conferencing was held April 11, 2025, at 2 p.m. CT/3 p.m. MT.

(AGENDA ITEM #1) **Call to Order.** At 2 p.m. CT, Plattsmouth Mayor Paul Lambert, Chair of the LIGHT Board, called the meeting to order.

The roll call was read with the following voting Board Members present: **Paul Lambert**, Mayor, City of Plattsmouth; **Catherine Jo Mills**, Board Member, Village of Ansley; **Jessica Quady**, City Administrator, City of Ashland; and **Brenda Wheeler**, Clerk, City of Blair. At the time of roll call, four voting Board Members were present. Ex-officio (non-voting) Board Member **L. Lynn Rex**, Executive Director of the League of Nebraska Municipalities, also was present; pursuant to the LIGHT Interlocal Agreement, the League of Nebraska Municipalities is the LIGHT Administrator.

At the time of roll call, **Tom Goulette**, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, City of West Point, was absent, but joined the meeting before Agenda Item #2.

Other participants included: **Cline Williams Wright Johnson & Oldfather, L.L.P.** – Michelle Sitorius; **McInnes Maggart Consulting Group, LLC** – Dennis Maggart; **BCBSNE** – Sue Warner, John Fleming, Sherry Young, and Michelle Jackson; **League of Nebraska Municipalities** – Christy Abraham, Shirley Riley, Ethan Nguyen, and Brenda Henning.

Chair Lambert indicated that on April 9, 2025, a notice of this meeting with the agenda and other materials were sent to all LIGHT members and the LIGHT Board of Directors. Notice of this meeting with the agenda and other materials were available for public inspection at 206 S 13th Street, Suite 800, in Lincoln, Nebraska, and also posted with the following links kept continually current: an electronic copy of the agenda, all documents being considered at the meeting, and the current version of the Open Meetings Act on the website of the League of Nebraska Municipalities – lonm.org/light/.

Chair Lambert also informed the public about the location of the Open Meetings Act which was accessible to members of the public and at lonm.org/light/ along with a copy of all reproducible written materials to be discussed at this meeting.

The City of West Point Council Chambers at 444 South Main, West Point, Nebraska, 68788, was open for attendance by the public during the meeting. LIGHT Vice Chair Tom Goulette, or his designee, informed the public about the location of the copy of the Open Meetings Act which was accessible to members of the public at the City of West Point Council Chambers. A notice of this meeting with the agenda and other materials were available at this location with a copy of the Open Meetings Act posted.

Chair Lambert stated pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, the LIGHT Board Chair reserves the right to limit comments on agenda items. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, there is no time limit on comments made by members of the LIGHT Board of Directors. Officials of LIGHT members and members of the public may comment on agenda items or listen to the Board of Directors Meeting; however, if the Board of Directors votes to hold a closed session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, officials of LIGHT members and members of the public may not comment or listen during that time.

Chair Lambert asked those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

(Agenda Item #2) **Consider a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings of the LIGHT Board of Directors held on the following dates: Oct. 4, 2024, Dec. 20, 2024, and March 28, 2025.** Quady moved, seconded by Goulette to approve the minutes of the meetings of the LIGHT Board of Directors held on the following dates: Oct. 4, 2024, Dec. 20, 2024, and March 28, 2025. Chair Lambert asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Lambert, Goulette, Mills, Quady, and Wheeler; Nays: None; Abstentions: None; Absent: None. ***Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent.***

(Agenda Item #3) **Consider a motion to go into closed session to protect the public interest to discuss sensitive revisions to the eligibility requirements for membership in LIGHT.** (Presented by Dennis Maggart) Goulette moved, seconded by Quady to go into closed session to protect the public interest to discuss sensitive revisions to the eligibility requirements for membership in LIGHT and include the following people: Michelle Sitorius, Dennis Maggart, Sue Warner, John Fleming, Shirley Riley, Brenda Henning, Ethan Nguyen, and Christy Abraham. Sue Warner asked if Sherry Young and Michelle Jackson also could be included. Chair Lambert repeated the motion to go into closed session to protect the public interest to discuss sensitive revisions to the eligibility requirements for membership in LIGHT. Chair Lambert asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Lambert, Goulette, Mills, Quady, and Wheeler; Nays: None; Abstentions: None; Absent: None. ***Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent.***

The closed session started at 2:07 p.m. At 2:39 p.m., Chair Lambert stated that the board was out of closed session and no action was taken during the closed session. No action was needed on Agenda Item #3.

(Agenda Item #4) **Consider a motion to approve the plan design changes in BCBSNE's Renewal Proposal for LIGHT in FY 25-26.** *(Presented by Sue Warner and Dennis Maggart)* Following discussion, no action was needed on Agenda Item #4.

(Agenda Item #5) **Consider a motion to go into closed session to protect the public interest to discuss rate negotiations with BCBSNE for LIGHT in FY 25-26.** Mills moved, seconded by Quady to go into closed session to protect the public interest to discuss rate negotiations with BCBSNE for LIGHT in FY 25-26 and include the following people: Michelle Sitorius, Dennis Maggart, Sue Warner, John Fleming, Shirley Riley, Brenda Henning, Ethan Nguyen, and Christy Abraham. Sue Warner asked if Sherry Young and Michelle Jackson also could be included. Chair Lambert repeated the motion to go into closed session to protect the public interest to discuss rate negotiations with BCBSNE for LIGHT in FY 25-26. Chair Lambert asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Lambert, Goulette, Mills, Quady, and Wheeler; Nays: None; Abstentions: None; Absent: None. ***Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent.***

The closed session started at 2:57 p.m. At 3:33 p.m., Sue Warner, John Fleming, Sherry Young, and Michelle Jackson were asked to leave the closed session. At 4 p.m., Chair Lambert stated that the board was out of closed session and no action was taken during the closed session. *(Michelle Sitorius had another commitment and needed to leave the meeting.)*

Lambert moved, seconded by Mills to request a participating contract alternative be included in the July 2026 renewal. Chair Lambert asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Lambert, Goulette, Mills, Quady, and Wheeler; Nays: None; Abstentions: None; Absent: None. ***Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent.***


Goulette moved, seconded by Wheeler to accept the plan design changes on page 38 which includes a 17.73% rate increase. Chair Lambert asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Lambert, Goulette, Mills, Quady, and Wheeler; Nays: None; Abstentions: None; Absent: None. ***Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent.***

Quady moved, seconded by Wheeler to request only one rate tier adjustment in FY 25-26, due to the increase. Chair Lambert asked if there was any discussion; there was none. Roll call vote. Ayes: Lambert, Goulette, Mills, Quady, and Wheeler; Nays: None; Abstentions: None; Absent: None. ***Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent.***

(Agenda Item #6) **Consider a motion to adjourn.** At 4:16 p.m., Wheeler moved, seconded by Quady to adjourn. Roll call vote. Ayes: Lambert, Goulette, Mills, Quady, and Wheeler; Nays: None; Abstentions: None; Absent: None. ***Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent.***

Approved on: June 5, 2025

ATTEST:



Brenda Henning
Administrative Assistant of LIGHT



L. Lynn Rex

Ex-Officio, Non-Voting, LIGHT Board Member

Executive Director of the League of Nebraska Municipalities (*LIGHT Administrator*)



NOTICE

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League Insurance Government Health Team (LIGHT)
April 11, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. CT/1:00 p.m. MT
By Virtual Conferencing**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on **Friday, April 11, 2025, at 2:00 p.m./1:00 pm. MT**, the League Insurance Government Health Team (LIGHT) will hold a Meeting of the LIGHT Board of Directors by virtual conferencing.

An agenda of subjects known at this time is included with this notice, but the agenda shall be kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the principal office of LIGHT during normal business hours at 206 S 13th Street, Suite 800, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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You may join the meeting by Zoom via Computer, Smart Device or Telephone <https://lonm-org.zoom.us/j/82181750155?pwd=KW1P3b0o8UA0Vt02GbHh6Ps9grmiMl.1> or via phone at 877-853-5257. The meeting ID is 821 8175 0155 and the Passcode is: 884237.

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