

# **CORNLAND SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT**

## **Minutes of Board Meeting**

June 8, 2026 — 4:00 p.m.  
SW County Road 1067, Butler, Missouri

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

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Russell Epperson, Commissioner  
Don Hill, Commissioner

**Also Present:** Layne Anderson (guest/observer)

### **CALL TO ORDER**

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The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. at the residence of Layne Anderson on SW County Road 1067, Butler, Missouri. A quorum of the board was present.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

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The board proceeded to elect officers for the district. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following officers were elected by unanimous vote:

President: Russell Epperson  
Vice President: Don Hill

### **RECOMMENDATION OF APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANT BOARD SEAT**

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The board discussed the vacancy created by the passing of Gary Anderson. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the board voted unanimously to recommend Layne Anderson to the Bates County Commission for appointment to fill the vacant board seat, with the intended role of Trustee ex-officio Treasurer. The board further authorized the preparation and transmittal of a letter to the Bates County Commission to that effect.

Layne Anderson disclosed that he is currently bonded, satisfying the bond requirement for the Trustee ex-officio Treasurer position upon appointment.

### **STATE AUDIT — REPORT NO. 2022-077**

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Commissioner Epperson requested that copies of State Audit Report No. 2022-077 be provided to him for review.

The outstanding invoice from the Missouri State Auditor's office was discussed. Guest Layne Anderson raised the obligation as a known financial liability of the district. Commissioner Hill expressed the board's preference not to contact the State Auditor's office at this time. Commissioner Epperson indicated his intention to consult with legal counsel to determine whether the district has any basis to dispute or seek relief from the obligation. The board agreed to defer any contact with the State Auditor's office pending Commissioner Epperson's consultation with his attorney.

## **INSURANCE**

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Upon motion duly made and seconded, the board voted to authorize payment of the district's insurance premium to reinstate coverage.

## **COUNTY EQUIPMENT**

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Layne Anderson informed the board that Bates County has equipment available for district use at a rate of \$20 per mile. The board received this information but did not express interest in utilizing county equipment at this time. No formal action was taken.

## **ROAD CONDITIONS — BACKFILL NEEDS**

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Commissioners Epperson and Hill identified several locations within the district in need of backfill. Layne Anderson noted that the Bates County Road and Bridge Department has backfill rock available that the district may be able to utilize. The board received this information favorably. No formal decision was made regarding hauling or scheduling at this time.

## **EQUIPMENT DONATION**

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Commissioner Epperson discussed the possibility of donating a road grader to the district at some point in the coming year. No formal action was taken.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes recorded by:

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Layne Anderson, guest/observer

Approved by:

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Russell Epperson, President

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Don Hill, Vice President