



Town Hall 551 Hot Springs Blvd
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

MINUTES
Sanitation General Improvement District Meeting
July 7, 2026 @ 5:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Town of Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District was called to order on July 7, 2026 at 5:00 PM in the Town Hall, located at 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

BOARD PRESENT: Board President Pierce, Board Member Bergon, Board Member deGraaf, Board Member Martinez, Board Member Williams, Board Member Shabro

BOARD ABSENT: Board Member Lindner

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. DISCLOSURES AND/OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

V. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the June 16, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

Board Member deGraaf moved to approve the consent agenda, Board Member Williams seconded. Motion Passed

VI. REPORTS TO BOARD

1. Sanitation District Update

Town Manager David Harris introduced Nick Freelen, the new Public Works Director, to the Sanitation Board. Interim Public Works Director Phil Bennett presented the Sanitation update. He said the Flygt pump purchase order was sent out. They are expected to arrive within five to eight months. Sanitation is preparing for the pipe inspection and representatives will be guiding the department on what is needed for the new pumps and lines. Interviews are being conducted to fill the second Sanitation Operator position. The Sanitation Department is discussing the options for a back-up diesel pump that can be moved from one pump station to the other just in case the new electric pumps go out, and so we can stop renting. Staff is trying to determine if the installation of the new electric pumps should go out to bid or be sole-sourced because of the specialized skills needed for the piping. Staff have reached out to four companies qualified to perform the work. Out of the four responses back, two declined to submit a bid, a third has scheduling conflicts and can't meet the required time frame and the final company submitted a bid.

Board President Pierce asked if we still had the backup pumps or if they were returned. Bennett said we still have the backup pumps because of the glitches happening with the current system and the sound dampening panels are still in place. Board Member Martinez asked if there is a lowering of the pumping volume and flow due to drought. Bennett stated that the system is pumping 100,000 to 300,000 gallons per day.

2. McCabe Creek Pipe Replacement

Projects Manager Kyle Rickert said they finished the pipe replacement on Loma Street Alley and are working on the culverts down Florida Street. One more service line needs to be replaced before the paving and Rosita Street project can start.

Board Member Martinez wanted to know what kind of impact the inflow and infiltration (I&I) has at this point. Rickert said it is hard to tell with the current drought conditions.

Town Manager Harris thanked staff for all the hard work with all the transitions and projects going on.

VII. NEXT BOARD MEETING AUGUST 4, 2026 AT 5:00 PM

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Board President Pierce adjourned the meeting at 5:17 pm.

Shari Pierce
Board President