

Ponderosa Community Services District

RESPONSIBLY PROVIDING PURE MOUNTAIN WATER AND EFFECTIVE SNOW REMOVAL

Minutes of meeting
Tuesday March 10, 2026

Present:

Directors: G. O'Neill, F. Ohnesorgen, M. Doty

Staff: T. Griesbach, B. Dolmovic, K. Klemcke, T. Harness, J. Robertson (via Google Meet)

Guests: Diane Ayers

The meeting was called to order at 12:27 pm, followed by the flag salute. O'Neill welcomed the guest.

Comments from the Public

None

Communications

Email received from Diane Ayers regarding development of family property and seeking connection to PCSD water system. Fwd to directors for review, fwd to attorney for guidance

Acceptance of Minutes from the January 24, 2026 meeting

O'Neill moved to accept minutes as presented, Ohnesorgen seconded. There was no discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff Reports

General Manager – Griesbach

Mr. Griesbach reported:

Submitted monthly labor report

Completed OSHA injury report – no injuries, still required to report

Still need to do Hazardous Material update for County

Recent snow storm – good storm, a lot of snow, strong winds also caused some issues.

Dolmovic was not present in Ponderosa during the snow event, however was available via phone both voice and text. Held constant communication with general manager. The County and State did not get the roads open for at least days during which Ponderosa was completely cut off. The road inside the subdivision were cleared, but not outside the subdivision.

- M5 machine was damaged by a prybar left in or next to the road on the first day of the storm. It was out of commission for the duration.
- Had to use Toro and J. Parminter equipment to complete snow removal in subdivision
- Arranged with Dolmovic to use his shop space, tools, and expertise to complete repairs on M5
- Some residents complained to Harness during storm
- Toro had exposure to carbon monoxide – and not way to get him medical attention
- Met with Dolmovic and Klemcke

Received complaint about snow from driveways dumped into subdivision roadways – look at creating an ordinance to prevent this from occurring in the future.

Secretary – Robertson

Forward email from D. Ayers to our attorney and replied to Ms. Ayers

Update website

Reschedule board meeting

Email, text, calls with PCSD staff

Reminder to directors that Form 700 – Conflict of Interest is due – basically now

Reminder that Ethics and Sexual Harassment Prevention trainings are due (*on demand webinars through CSDA all free – certificates included*)

New requirement Fiscal and Financial Training for directors - there are in-person workshops or a webinar

Certified Water Operator – Klemcke

Monthly routine testing had no bad results

End of July second set of PFAS tests are due

Update on Radon situation – still waiting for quote on equipment. Considering the feasibility of installing a 10,000 gallon tank to aerate water from well before it enters the system.

Operations Manager report – Dolmovic

Water

During power outage, the generator at Holby was not turned on

Fawn generator was not on, transfer was needed

There were complaints about low pressure on Summit loop because the generator there was not turned on

A major leak was found and in process of repairing it

There are flow meters at every well, it was proposed to check them every Friday

Snow

Not enough equipment and not enough manpower to keep up with the last storms – 7 ft 9 in in 4 days
We could not remove snow as quickly as some people expected – those who complained seemed to have 2-wheel drive and no chains. New property owners need to be educated about the realities of living at 7200 ft elevation in the winter time.

- Lost blower on the first day of the storm due to damage from crowbar left on the roadway
\$ 2000.00 for repair
- Plow truck stuck a couple of times
- Leased equipment from Toro's Tree Service and Dolmovic
- PCSD blower sent to Holby well site
- Chains broken on truck and blower – need to purchase spare sets of chains

Dolmovic reported that he was purposely off the hill at the start of this storm, but was always available via cell phone through text or call. Management needed to see if the existing crew could operate effectively without direct supervision – did not go well. Dolmovic will meet with the General Manager to create guidelines for future use.

Treasurer's Report – Klemcke

Water

109,000 to end of January, 6,566...116,554

Snow

9669 January, 4,388 February, 68,000

The crow bar incident cost much more than the \$2000 for repair to the machine, there was also the cost of renting equipment to clear roads

7061 – rental expense

735

39,000 (87,000)

Equipment needs –

Put a camera at Summit tank, needs Starlink, then can monitor tank level

O'Neill moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented. M. Doty seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Additional Reports

PPOA Liaison – Ohnesorgen

Usually host a snow day, will not happen this year

Working on the helicopter landing area

Matt established a 501C3 for helipad

There is a fire hydrant nearby – it is still a wet barrel hydrant, not currently active, need to check integrity of the water service line

US Forest Service Liaison – no one to report

Business items:

Ongoing items: *These will be completed as weather and time allow.*

Status updates:

- Gate for access road to Holby well site – Dolmovic will get supplies – chain and not trespass sign – done by next meeting
- Funding opportunities for a new building to house district equipment and workshop
Dolmovic reported Steel X at Shawn Alexander is 33x30
Propose for PCSD 30 deep x 40 wide, 16x8 roll up doors, 1 pedestrian door – approx. \$44,000
Budget should be \$80,000 to include electric, plumbing, concrete slab
O'Neill reported speaking to Sharon Thomas president of the PPOA
Suggestion from a real estate attorney that PCSD lease to PPOA with multi use contingency and split operating costs

Old Business – *carry forward*

- Continuing discussion of Snow Removal rates: current rates related to cost of services, Proposition 218 public hearing requirements, working on justification requirement for rate of increase.
Note: New rates cannot become effective until July 1, 2026 (now more likely July 1, 2027), for fiscal year 2026-2027 (27-28). Education campaign public meetings are not subject to 45-day notice. –
Nothing new to report
- Grant for water system needs – O'Neill and/or Ohnesorgen to report
O'Neill plans to attend a 2-day seminar about funding opportunities provided by the State Water Board

New Business

- Dianne Ayers is requesting the PCSD provide “will serve” letters for 3 parcels currently part of Kramer family property and are adjacent to the current Ponderosa subdivision.
“,,,parcel 1 is a 5.7 acre parcel zoned commercial. Parcels 2 and 3 are 3.4. and 3.5 acres respectively and are zoned Residential. Parcel 1 is located at intersection Hwy 190 and Aspen Dr which is behind the PPOA mail building (behind the logs). Parcels 2 and 3 are located just to the east of Parcel 1.”

Ms. Ayers is working with an engineering firm. Parcel 1 is zoned commercial, Parcels 2 is zoned multi residential, Parcel 3 is zoned mountain residential. There is no public access to these lots. The Kramer family will grant access through an easement.

The secretary referred this matter to our attorney for review. Before the PCSD can provide any ‘will-serve’ letters we must verify that we are able to service properties outside current PCSD boundaries. PCSD must first prove it can supply all properties (assuming development of all

currently unimproved properties) within the Ponderosa subdivision before it can agree to extend service. Will probably need to annex the Kramer lots into PCSD, which may require applying to LAFCO. This most likely will require finding an additional water source and creating additional water storage.

Ms. Ayers will take this information to the engineering firm.

The next meeting will be April 3, 2026, at noon in the PCSD building.

Adjourn 2:25 pm

Minutes prepared by Jennifer Robertson, Board Secretary