

Rapid Valley Sanitary Dist. Water Service

BOARD DIRECTORS MEETING
6 PM APRIL 13, 2026
4611 TEAK DR RAPID CITY SD, 57703

Chairman Andy Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present at roll call were Diana Nelson, Shirley Haines, Eric Krebs and Tim Roth. Bob Phillips and Carrie Wheeler. Connie Olson attended via phone and Jennifer Battles was absent. Also in attendance was General Manager Rusty Schmidt, and Office Manager Sara Bender

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: made a motion by Shirley Haines to approve the agenda. Eric Krebs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Bob Phillips made a motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCE REPORT: The financial reports were distributed to the Trustees for their review prior to the meeting. Diana Nelson made a motion to approve the Finance Report. Tim Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: No one from the public was in attendance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Drinking Water Surcharge Revenue Bond 2023 30th Invoice for Engineering Services: The 31st invoice for engineering services is \$11,162.00 which consists of \$11,058.25 for construction services and \$103.75 for transportation.

2. Second Reading Ordinance and Policy Committee Recommendations: The board of directors approved the first reading of the proposed ordinance changes on March 9, 2026. A motion was made by Diana Nelson to approve the second reading of the proposed ordinance changes. Connie Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

A summary of proposed changes is as follows:

WATER USE ORDINANCE NO. 14-1
ARTICLE IX
WATER & SEWER BILLS - BILLING - COLLECTIONS

F. Water and sewer billings thirty (30) days past due from the billing date for their billing area will be mailed a shutoff notice. An automatic service charge is added to each account that is mailed such notice. See Water Use Resolution "A" for service charge amount. If the account is not paid in full by the date stated on the notice, water service will be disconnected, and a disconnection and/or reconnection charge will be added to the account. An extension may be approved by District to prevent service being disconnected. Extensions must be requested **by phone call or in person** by 4pm the day prior to the date

stated on the mailed shut off notice.

Attachment "C"

MAINTENANCE/REPAIR/ REPLACEMENT AUTHORIZATION

Check box if **no** charge for water/sewer service maintenance repair and/or replacement **as per Water Use Ordinance 14-1, Article VI, Section H and Sewer Use Ordinance 14-2, Article III, Section 3**

MANAGERS REPORT

3. Monthly Water Loss and Leak Detection: Daily production for March was 715,000 gallons per day with a 10.49% line loss. There was a major main valve break and some broken curb stops that were the main cause of water loss for April with about 2.4 million gallons lost. Rapid City announce water restriction began April 1st and customers were notified that the district's restrictions would also begin April 1st. There is potential in the future for both the district and the city to look at a multi-tier restriction plan should there be a multi-year drought.

PROJECTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

4. Apple Valley Phase 3A & 3B: Plans have been approved for Apple Valley Phases 3A and 3B. This phase consists of 80 lots, 40 for each phase. This will generate \$112,000.00 worth of extension fees. There are also plans for a future phase 4 as well as other possible future phases.

5. Ennen Housing: The phase 2B water and sewer are complete and they will be starting on homes soon. Phase 2B will have \$39,000 in connection fees. They will be doing phase 2B first, followed by 2A which has 29 lots and will have \$43,500 in connection fees.

6. Homestead St. Extension Project: The sewer installation is complete, however did not initially pass the testing. There was a sewer service cap installed incorrectly. The water main testing is about 95% complete and then will enter its testing phase.

7. County and State ARPA Madison Well, Well House and Generator Project: Pay application 6 for RCS is for \$381,116.12 and the total to date for the well house is \$832,278.82. In a recent correspondence with BH Council of Local Governments, they indicated that that we have already met our June 1, 2026 deadline of having 50% expended. Evidently the 50% requirement is cumulative for total project funds, and the representative at BH Council confirmed we have met that requirement already.

8. N. Valley Dr Project Southern Phase: The contractor says work will begin on this segment of the project on April 28th and will take 30-45 days to complete. Dakota barricade will be providing traffic control.

OTHER TOPICS

9. 1500 Valley Dr. Sewer: The developer will be connecting the existing homes at 1500 Valley Dr to the sewer for future development. This should take approximately 2 weeks to complete.

10. 250,000 Gallon Standpipe Repair: The hole in the bulkhead was repaired recently by Tank Maintenance Solutions. The cost for the repair of the tank is \$20,155.00

11. Valley Heights Subdivision: A meeting was held with Box Elder and Valley Heights earlier today. They are looking to go the route of possibly building a tank specifically to feed Valley Heights as well as a neighboring housing area. They are not looking for any help from the district at this time.

MISC. INFO.

- 2026 Election terms expiring – Andy, Shirley, Diana
- Pick up petitions April 30 – return by May 20
- 2025 Audit Presentation from Ketel Thorstenson at May meeting
- 2mg storage reservoir
- Future use permit

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.