

**MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the South Durango Sanitation District was held on February 19, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at 65 Mercado Street, Durango, Colorado.

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Board of Directors:

Curt Piccoli  
Tom Price  
Erick Martin  
Judy Campbell  
Art Wyman

Also present were Andrew Aragon, Attorney Bud Smith and Rick Johnson.

On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes from the meeting of January 19, 2026, were approved.

The Board reviewed and approved the accounts payable.

Attorney Smith reviewed the financial statements for January 31, 2026. No significant issues were noted.

Attorney Smith reviewed the investment report. Interest rates continue to decline and will impact interest earning on the renewal of \$1,000,000 in CDs maturing in 2026.

Andrew presented the operations report.

- Andrew suggested he begin training for the District manager position while on light duty from his injury. Attorney Smith advised the Board that such training would be time consuming and recommended development of a job description for the District manager as an initial step. There was a discussion about the continued increase in accrued comp time. The Board advised Andrew that it would like to see a reduction in accrued comp time.
- Andrew reported that new employee Todd Fowler had received his Class 1 Wastewater Collection System Operator certification. His job performance has been good and Andrew recommended an increase in wages to \$26.50 per hour. The increase was approved by the Board.
- Canyon presented a proposal for the 2026 collection system repairs. The estimated total of \$133,289 is slightly above the 2026 budget estimate however Canyon invoices have been consistently lower than the estimates. Andrew plans to begin work on the projects in early spring.
- The EPA application for a discharge permit was reviewed and approved.
- Repairs have been completed to the SBR 1 waste line.
- The new aspirator pump has been installed and is working well. Andrew recommended

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monitoring the results for a couple of months. If it continues to function well a second aspirator pump will be installed in the other basin.

The Durango School District is installing an extension of Wilson Gulch Drive to serve the site for the new elementary school. A sewer line extension will be installed as part of the project. The School District will sign a Development Improvements Agreement which requires a performance guarantee. Developers furnish a bond or letter of credit for the guarantee. Attorney Smith recommended the Board accept a Letter of Financial Responsibility from the school district for the guarantee. He noted that the county and city accept such a letter from South Durango Sanitation District in lieu of a bond for right-of-way permitting. The Board approved the Letter of Financial Responsibility.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.