

Ridgewood Water District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2026

1. **Call meeting to order** at 7:01 PM. Members present: Steve Ghioto, Bob Panick, Kathy Furrow, Dave Burgess, Bruce Vanderpool. Terry Spivey.

2. **Patron/Customer Forum** None

3. **Read and approve minutes.** Motion to approve meeting minutes with correction by Dave, seconded by Steve.

4. **Treasurer's Report**, Bob. Need one more audit signature; Dave will sign on Friday. Two biggest expenses were repairs and legal. Refined reports; now water sales show last 2 years. Water loss 13.5%. Last year's numbers showed 15-20% loss. Hunt is well overdue on payments and has not updated his contact information. Dave made a motion to turn off and Bob seconded, so Steve will turn off tomorrow. Reconnection Fee is \$200. Kathy made a motion to approve report and Terry seconded.

(Meeting Reported)	January 2026	February 2026
Capital Account:	\$ 13,228.35	\$ 15,044.62
Operating Account:	\$ 7,565.21	\$ 4,617.45
Pay-Port Account:	\$ 4,692.50	\$ 5,341.89
ColoTrust Operations	\$ 91,813.23	\$ 82,094.71
<u>ColoTrust Capital</u>	<u>\$143,108.96</u>	<u>\$143,575.42</u>
Total:	\$260,408.16	\$250,674.09

Operator's Report, Kelly Brock. No Report.

5. **Old Business:**

A. Discussion on Leak Repair at 24 and 28 Ponderosa Circle – Steve. We believe this to be closed legally. Steve will get together with Chris on easement issue.

B. Discussion on Terry and Steve's visit to the Ed Stone Residence. Still have not heard anything from patron. Terry volunteered to personally cover the cost of supplies to replace the faulty valves at this residence and will install them himself as a good neighbor. In residence, age-old valves and plumbing is not the responsibility of the RWD but of the homeowner.

C. Moving Forward with upcoming elections – Kathy. Found evidence that Dave, Bob, Kathy and Charlie's position were "elected" in 2023 to a 4-year term ending in May 2027, so this year is not an election year. Next election Year is May of 2027. Steve, Bruce and Terry were "appointed", according to last year's minutes. Kathy will need to contact Charlie to obtain documents pertaining to the 2025 "appointments" and terms because they are not in Dropbox. She also found evidence that the DEO can be the President or Secretary; the board does not need to pay someone.

6. **New Business.** Transparency Notice. Needs to be completed. Kathy to investigate.

7. **Open Discussion.** Taste of water. Kathy reported an intermittent moldy taste to the water. Believes there may be a mold bloom that needs to be treated. Steve noted that currently the chlorine is dumped into the tank at an appointed time during the day and that would explain why sometimes the chlorine smell is stronger than at other times during the day. Other board members report no issues but that they don't drink the water straight, except Bruce, who drinks it straight from faucet. Kathy only drinks water and stores it in glass containers to allow the chlorine to evaporate, then uses a pitcher filter to filter water. Terry noted that they don't drink the water straight but uses it to make tea and has notice that the tea is spoiled after 2 days. Does the water quality report test for mold? Kathy will investigate. Discussed Kathy ordering a mold test.

8. **Adjourn** meeting at 8:00 pm. Next meeting March 10 @ 7pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Furrow