SPRING CREEK / COW CREEK SANITARY
DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES
MONTHLY MEETING
Wednesday, July 8, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Spring Creek/Cow Creek Sanitary District was held at the Dockside Bar & Grill on Wednesday, July 8, 2026. President Schuh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

President Schuh, Konda, Schneider, Superintendent Zuber, Attorneys Schweiss and Cruz, and Clerk Linn were in attendance, along with 9 residents and 1 guest. Forsch, Kopman, Attorney Wilka, Ross and Danner attended via Zoom videoconference.

Schuh noted changes to the agenda. Executive Session will be moved to item 3). Election of Officers will be moved to item 4). Strike item 9a) Change Order #5. Schuh requested a motion to approve the amended agenda. Schneider made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Konda seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Schuh asked the Board to declare any Conflicts of Interest. None noted at this time.

Schuh noted two petitions were received for the open trustee positions. As two petitions were received for the two open positions no election was held. Konda and Schuh were noted as the individuals who submitted petitions.

Schneider made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3) at 6:02 p.m. Konda seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Schuh called the meeting back into session at 6:50 p.m.

Schuh opened the floor for nominations from Trustees for the President's position. Kopman nominated Konda to hold the President's position. Forsch seconded. No further nominations were received. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Konda accepted the position.

Schuh asked for nominations from Trustees for the Vice-President's position. Konda nominated Kopman to hold the Vice-President's position. Schneider seconded. No further nominations were received. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Kopman accepted the position.

Schuh asked for nominations from Trustees for the Secretary/Treasurer's position. Konda nominated Forsch to hold the Secretary/Treasurer's position. Kopman seconded. No further nominations were received. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Forsch accepted the position.

Schuh transferred the gavel to Konda.

Konda requested action on the 6/10/2026 meeting minutes. Schneider made a motion to approve the 6/10/2026 meeting minutes. Schuh seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Konda noted the following items in the President's message:

Encouraged community to stay involved.
Encouraged residents to step up and take a position on the Board.

Schuh noted in her final President's message:

Intends to submit a letter of resignation at the end of tonight's Board meeting.

Konda opened the floor to public comment.

Vic Utech encouraged the Board to allow the meetings to be available via zoom again. Konda noted his request.

Andrew Utech requested clarification if Schuh would be resigning as President or as a Board Member. Schuh clarified she would be stepping down as a Board Member.

Konda inquired as to any other public comment. Hearing none, public comment was closed.

Konda noted no changes or items to address on Codgers Castaway Sewer Inspection.

Konda requested Ross update the District on the Sewer Facilities Plan. Ross updated the District in regard to the progress of the facility. Ross noted James Bartlett with Aquatech is on site coordinating start-up and testing process for the wastewater plant. Konda and Ross noted the system is not able to utilize the discharge into the river until the system builds up "bugs" over time and in the meantime, as noted multiple times in previous meetings, the discharge will be pumped to the pond. Konda also made it clear that rumors that the District intends to continue to utilize the ponds into the future are absolutely false.

Konda requested Danner update the District on the Elevated Tank Project. Maguire completed the Exterior Recoating work and addressed all the punch list items. Final inspection with DANR was completed on 7/1/2026. Closeout paperwork to be completed this month.

Konda requested Superintendent Zuber present his report to the Board. In June the District used 1,572,000 gallons with a daily average of 52,000.
Other items noted by Zuber:

1. Utilized 346,000 gallons over 4th of July weekend.
2. Walley and County Line lift stations had float issues.
3. Reviewed trend graph for water tower.
4. Wastewater plant up and running. James will return in approximately a month to commission and conduct final tweaks.
5. Testing and compliance reporting has been completed for the month.
6. No new applications for June.

Konda presented the Treasurer's Report. Konda noted for the month of June:
Unrestricted checking account - $794,212. Restricted meter deposits - $32,718. Restricted long-term developer fund - $341,108. Total Checking/Savings - $1,168,038. Accounts receivable - $28,249. Accounts payable - $80,507. Konda noted legal expenses continue to accumulate for the year which will result in a need to increase rates. Schuh made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Forsch seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Konda requested Clerk Linn present the monthly Accounts Payable to the Board. Anderson Nill & Associates - $6,582.51; AT&T Mobility - $732.08; Bachand & Hruska, P.C. - $19,833.05; Bartlett & West - $2,363.50; Capital Journal – $76.82; Central SD Enhancement District - $26,000.00 (held pending reimbursement); Corporate Trust, TFM - $9,744.41; Forrest Zuber - $525.00; General Irrigation and Dewatering - $3673.20; Mid Dakota RWS - $5,772.30; PSN - $100.00; SD Public Health Lab - $20.00; South Dakota 811 - $40.95; Weber's Welding and Repair - $535.00; Woods Fuller - $16,942.70. Schneider made a motion to approve the bills as presented. Schuh seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Konda presented the first reading of the proposed 2027 Budget. Konda reviewed the line items and backup for the proposed budget noting the increase in legal fees and he revisited the need to create a long-term operating fund to set aside funds to pay for future maintenance of the District infrastructure. The estimated user fee increase to balance the budget, taking into account the proposed increases, is approximately $126,850. Konda stated he is available for questions or comments on the proposed budget.

Konda updated the District on the Metering Project.

Being no further business, Schuh made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Schneider seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

SIGNATURES TO FOLLOW

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Neal Konda, Board President

ATTEST:

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John J Linn, Jr., Clerk