

**PALATINE HILL WATER DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**By Teleconference**  
**February 19, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners convened by video teleconference at 9:01 A.M. on Thursday, February 19, 2025. Supporting materials were provided to commissioners in advance of the meeting. Instructions for public access to the teleconference were printed on the Agenda and noticed as usual. In attendance were:

Carrie Gentry	Brian Ginter
Laura Martin	Roberta Allen
Eric Mulligan	Saidee McKay
Boone Scholibo	Matt Steiler
David Veverka	Ron Stevenson

The Minutes of the January 15, 2026, regular meeting were read. Carrie moved to approve the minutes, and Boone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The general fund expense checks for February 2026, totaling \$85,610.79 were approved, and system improvement expense checks for February 2026, totaling \$19,879.38 were approved.

**DISTRICT UPDATE:**

Ron reported a significant leak at a Riverwood property that was resolved by shutting off the water supply, resulting in a noticeable drop in water usage. Otherwise, there were not issues.

Matt reported that the damaged hydrant was replaced at Palatine and Summerville and that a claim was filed with the responsible party's insurance company. He noted that only 50% of the required backflow testing had been completed, while the state recommends 75%. Matt also mentioned that the City of Portland has discussed initial rate increases due to budget constraints. He presented an \$8,472 bid for cleaning both tanks, which was approved informally by the board since it exceeded \$5,000.

Brian provided an update on ODOT's final comments for pipeline projects, which are expected to be ready for bidding in late spring, along with ongoing paving work on Birdshill. The board also reviewed the annual indexing of system development costs, which increased by 2.4% based on the Engineering News-Record construction cost index, though no formal action was required since it was automatically approved.

The board discussed postponing a public hearing on schedule changes to a future date.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Leslie raised a question about expanding the definition of "customer" to include contractors who misuse fire hydrants, which Brian confirmed was already covered under existing regulations.

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The meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M. The next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.

APPROVED:

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