

MINUTES

P & R District #1 Board of Commissioners - Emergency Meeting

923 Hazel Point Road

March 7 2026 6:00 pm

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** The meeting was called to order at the Laurel B. Johnson Community Center, Quilcene, Washington at 6:00 pm. The meeting was chaired by Denis Schmitt (DS); commissioners Cathy Bohman(CB) Thane Grooms (TG), Norm Johnson (NJ) and Joe Patterson (JP) attended in person. Joanmarie Eggert (JE), Secretary, Candace Monroe (CM), Treasurer also attended.
2. Special Meeting to Discuss Well Status. The following was discussed:
 - a. Thursday dug out around well.
 - b. Tillia Well Drilling came on Friday to try to recover the well. Driller was surprised by the condition of the well casing and the electrical grounding.
 - c. They tried to pull the well pipe, would still only rise about 3/4 inch. Tried bumping it up, pipe sprang out of the ground. Then heard rust cascading down the well. Driller guessed that there is a lot of rust on top of the pipe, and that it would be a waste of money to dig down deeper to try to pull the pipe.
 - d. A new well needs to be redrilled. Since their next job is close by, so far no real cost to PnR.
 - e. Since it's a redrill, don't need to go through a lot of regulatory hoops.
 - f. CNI spent three hours looking for the leak. Between that and the other activities, all the pipes into the community center are clogged. Water is totally shut off now.
 - g. We can run a hose from wellhouse to LBJCC and get center functional in the next few days. It will not be potable water. **DS** will start addressing this Monday. We will not be able to provide public water service.
 - h. Ultimately will need to put in a new line from well house to LBJCC, and to fix the plugged valves.
 - i. **DS** will look to getting a hydrant that would flow pretty fast.
 - j. Drilling a new well will cost \$42,414,20, with an option to case the pipe with PVC for another \$4,500.
 - k. TEPA update. The remaining balance for well the well is \$5,100. However, TEPA has received an anonymous gift of \$50,000 for the well drilling and option.

- I. The Coyle Women's Club has donated up to \$1,000 to bring in outside water as needed while waiting for the new well to be functional.

JP moved and NJ seconded, and approved by all a motion to approve the drilling of the well. **TG** will contact the drillers immediately.

If Tillis Drilling needs funds soon, CM will need the check amount by our Tuesday meeting. The next two payment dates are March 16 and April 28.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55.

Note - A full discussion of the issue, originally posted on March 8, 2026 on the Toandos google groups is attached to these minutes.