

Pine Shadows Road District – Spring Meeting Minutes

The annual spring meeting was held on May 12, 2026, at the 27814 Jenny Rd, Hot Springs, SD

In attendance were: Representing the Road District - Treasurer Beth Caha. Representing the Property Owners Association – Vice President Beth Caha.

Also in attendance were Ace Wick, Jan Simunek, Tom Gillaspie, Edward Mettler, Marie Mettler, and Steve Erickson

The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Beth Caha at 6:38 pm

Beth Caha read the minutes of last meeting minutes. Minutes were approved and second.

Spring Work –2026 spring road work was completed on May 7th -10th

- Water – Ace Wick, volunteer fire department member of the Cascade Fire Department secured a water tender to wet down our roads prior to blading, gravel and dust control. With the help of Steve Erickson, Ace and Steve sprayed over 17,600 gallons of water. $\frac{3}{4}$ was applied before the gravel. Thank you!
- Blading – Simon completed 13 hours of blading
- Gravel – Simon spread 553.41 tons of 1” roadstone. 13 trucks and pups were spread between Cascade Road to Forest Road alone. Each truck and pup holds approx. 24-28 tons (20 yards) of gravel. The remaining tons was spread in various spots throughout the subdivision. Due to road conditions in parts of the subdivision, only blading was required, no gravel. With the excess traffic and large equipment from last year fiber upgrade work, the board allotted more road materials to the first 1,000 feet of the subdivision. Suzie contacted MasTec and MasTec agreed to compensate the Road District \$2,000 to offset the road damage done in 2025.
- Dust Control – May 10th our new vendor applied over 24,000 gallons of Magnesium Chloride (Mag Water). The road surface from Cascade Road to Forest Road received an application of 16 ft wide and the remaining subdivision road surface received 12 ft wide. As we receive moisture, the mag water will seep down and wick out to the outer sides of the road. A comment was made when traffic passed by each other and had to travel more on the road shoulder, dust was kicked up. Since the application, we have received some moisture, the dust should have diminish. But the nature of gravel roads, there will always be some degree of dust. FYI, our new vendor is out of Custer, SD and he’s provided dust control for many roads in Fall River County, including Sheps Canyon.

Signage – the Amish sign has been placed at the entrance of the subdivision. Thank you Ace and Suzie Wick for installing the sign.

Election of Secretary – due to no nominations prior to the meeting, Ace Wick was elected as our Road District Secretary.

Old Business – no additions discussing on old business

New Business –

Wash Boarding - the first curves of the subdivision. Unfortunately, this issue has been ongoing for years and its primarily caused by vehicle tires “bouncing” at higher speeds, which dislodges and shifts loose gravel. Ace said he could scrap only the bumps after we receive moisture and try to smooth the wash boarding. But this is only a temporary fix. Please slow down so our residence can enjoy smoother roads.

Ditch mowing – This is part of the PSSOA, not the Road District. If the PSSOA hired someone to mow, the company or individual must be bonded and insured.

Culvert Blockage – it was mentioned that a few culvers may have some blockage. The board will inspect and clean out the culvers mentioned. If you have a culvert on or close to your residence, please inspect and clean our if required. Someday we will receive rains again we want to ensure the free flow of the runoff.

There being no other questions, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzie Wick, President and Beth Caha, Treasurer, and Ace Wick, Secretary - Pine Shadows Road District