

**Board Meeting Minutes  
Government Camp Sanitary District  
January 12, 2026  
4:00 p.m. at Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Zoom Video Conferencing**

**Board Members:**

Present: Ed Rogers Jr., Vice Chair; Brett Fischer, Cornelia Gunderson, Ulla Brunette, Board member/Secretary.

Attended via Zoom: Andrew Tagliafico, Board Chair.

**Others Present:**

Ken Johannes, Senior Plant Operator.

Attended via Zoom: Grant Hurling, NW Natural Water Services; Dustin Thorson, Plant Operator II.

**Proceedings:**

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM by Andrew Tagliafico.

Agenda:

Ed Rogers Jr. moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Cornelia Gunderson. Motion passed.

Bills:

Num		Memo/Description	Amount
Auto	<b>CenturyLink</b>	Acct. #****8930. Auto withdrawn from US Bank	\$133.43
Auto	<b>GUSTO</b>	Payroll taxes 1/12/2026	\$397.88
Auto	<b>GUSTO</b>	Payroll processing fee Inv. #12637303	\$49.50
Auto	<b>Portland General Electric - New Plant</b>	Acct. #3139860000. 1-20-26 Auto paid	\$4,052.09
Auto	<b>US Bank Visa Card</b>	Plant supplies for December	\$662.68
Auto	<b>Verizon</b>	Acct. #542027821-00001. Inv. 6131944288. Auto withdrawn from US Bank	\$71.84
6268	<b>Ulla Brunette</b>	December Reimbursements	\$627.96
6269	<b>WHO LTD</b>	Inv. 25-913 Sewer lateral emergency repair 89255 Gov't Camp lp. in right-of-way	\$4,821.00
6270	<b>Puttman Infrastructure</b>	Inv. 81779 Puttman Headworks Screen #1 fail, SBR programming stalled. Resolving surge issues. Screen 2 damaged and offline.	\$3,153.75
6271	<b>Puttman Infrastructure</b>	Inv. 81778. PLC SBR Program Failure.	\$260.00
6272	<b>Firwood Design Group, LLC</b>	Inv. 174420 Attend Board meeting, Service for 89255 E Gov't Camp loop sewer line block, follow up with NWNW on Surges at WWTP.	\$581.25
6273	<b>Special Districts Insurance Services</b>	Cust. # 03-0058013 Employee Health/Dental insurance for January and February 2026	\$2,116.00

6274	<b>Government Camp Snow Removal</b>	Inv,. 11528. Snow removal around treatment plant for December 2025	\$530.00
6275	<b>Puttman Infrastructure</b>	Inv. 81647 Monthly O&M Services	\$10,765.00
6276	<b>Firwood Design Group, LLC</b>	Inv. 174436 Update loan budget, budget coordination with NWNW, Audit support	\$387.50
6277	<b>Puttman Infrastructure</b>	Inv.81777 Provide maps and layout for customer request on sewer line layout near their property.	\$180.00
6278	<b>USDA Forest Service</b>	Bill BF060609AG556 Liquid Waster area special use permit. ZIG395. 2026FY	\$813.90
6279	<b>Firwood Design Group, LLC</b>	Inv.174438 Review Lithos Invoice, update project budget	\$77.50
6280	<b>Government Camp Communications</b>	Inv. 012026242 For possible lost check #6256 12/8/25 & January Invoice.	\$150.00
6281	<b>WHO LTD</b>	Inv. 25-914 Plant 3 tree's at 88264 E Steel Lane for the trees that were removed from the new Steel main line on right-of-way.	\$495.00
6282	<b>Eurofins Drinking Water &amp; Wastewater</b>	Inv.1700001947 - 1700002443	\$2,461.00
6283	<b>One Call Concepts, Inc.</b>	Inv. 5120692 2 locates	\$3.08
6284	<b>Ulla Brunette</b>	December Payroll	\$959.27
6285	<b>Streamline</b>	Inv.F3D1A2B7-0025 Monthly website fee	\$141.00
6286	<b>Welches Mountain Bldg Supply</b>	Acct. #199 Expenses charged on acct December	\$57.00
6287	<b>Puttman Infrastructure</b>	Inv. 81776 SRF R38351 project updates, Board meeting	\$303.75
6288	<b>USDA Forest Service</b>	Bill #BF060609AG555 Old ZIG023 special use permit for Treatment plant for 2019 FY.	\$813.90
6289	<b>Cornelia Gunderson</b>	Director's fee: July - Dec 2025 (6 meetings @ \$20)	\$120.00
6290	<b>Ulla Brunette</b>	Director's fee: July - Dec 2025 (6 meetings @ \$20)	\$120.00
6291	<b>Andrew Tagliafico</b>	Director's fee: July - Dec 2025 (6 meetings @ \$25)	\$150.00
6292	<b>Brett Fischer</b>	Director's fee: July - Dec 2025 (5 meetings @ \$20)	\$100.00
6293	<b>Ed Rogers Jr.</b>	Director's fee: July - Dec 2025 (6 meetings @ \$20)	\$120.00
			\$35,675.28

Ed Rogers Jr. moved to approve the bills as presented. Seconded by Cornelia Gunderson. Motion passed.

Bank account updates:

Us Bank \$104,025.90

Pool #5206 \$434,296.46

Pool #5260 \$78,458.37

Pool #6531 \$222,843.18

Minutes:

Brett Fischer moved to adopt last month’s meeting minutes. Seconded by Ed Rogers Jr. Motion passed.

Plant Report – Thomas Puttman & Ken Johannes:

Monthly Operator Report Summary – December 2025

Treatment Plant – Flows

Inflow Received	Current Month	Previous Month	Previous Year
Average	0.114 MGD	0.080 MGD	0.131 MGD
Maximum	0.176 MGD	0.119 MGD	0.248 MGD
Minimum	0.057 MGD	0.057 MGD	0.070 MGD

Treatment Plant – Effluent Results

Effluent Results	Current	Previous	Limit
cBOD	ND mg/L @ >99%	ND mg/L @ >99%	25 mg/L @ >85%
TSS	ND mg/L @ >99%	2 mg/L @ 93%	30 mg/L @ >85%
E Coli	1 cfu/100 ml	ND cfu/100 ml	126 cfu/100 ml
NH3-N	<2 mg/L	<0.08 mg/L	--
pH	6.7	6.7	6.3 – 9.0

Operations, Maintenance, Regulatory, and Safety

- Operationally no issues.
- Headworks screen damaged by rocks, repairs underway.
- Two generators run for power outages.
- SBR program glitches – troubleshooting, possibly a bad switch.
- New SBR Air Blower installation should be wrapped this month.

Biosolids Management

- Completed for the year, no issues.

Locates: 3

Call Outs: 4

- (headworks, SBR program, power outages)

Collections System Management

- Completed for the year, no issues.

Capital Improvements:

WyEast Lane & Steel St. projects:

- Performance testing report and final certification should be done in May or June 2026.
- Andy Tagliafico planted 3 - 6’ trees at the end of Steel Street, for the trees that were removed during the sewer line replacement.

Mt.Hood Brewery Barn #475:

- Tabled.

USFS Special Use permit:

- Tabled.

88510 E Gov't Camp Loop. Acct. #315:

- On January 7, 2026, Mr. Bigbee emailed GCSD about the main line having a sewage blockage causing backup into his property.
- On January 8, 2026, Ken Johannes and Dustin Thorson inspected the district's main sewer line and found no issues, but as a precaution, the main line was flushed.
- Mr. Bigbee was present when Ken Johannes flushed the upper manhole and watched the water flow freely past the lower manhole and continued to overflow out of both cleanouts on his lateral line.
- A camera inspection of the mainline revealed that his lateral is extruding dewatered sewer solids into the mainline, indicating that the lateral has an upstream blockage.
- An opened lateral pipe wye was discovered under Mr. Bigbee's deck allowing backed up sewer to overflow onto the ground and into the environment. DEQ was notified about the overflow.
- Mr. Bigbee also mentioned in an email that he was camera scoping the District's mainline. Ken Johannes notified Mr. Bigbee that entering manholes is not only dangerous but he is trespassing onto the District's property.
- On January 12, 2026, a notice of the findings and a formal Cease and Desist order was emailed and mailed to Mr. Bigbee, listing the following compliance schedule:
  - Within 7 days – Contact a service provider to unplug the lateral line to immediately prevent sewer overflowing onto the ground. Report to the Sanitary District no later than Tuesday, January 20, 2026, via email when the work is completed so the Sanitary district can follow up and flush the mainline.
  - Within 30 days – have the sewer lateral evaluated for repair or replacement by an individual or company that is familiar with this nature of work to permanently mitigate the blockage and overflow issues. Report to District no later than Monday, February 9, 2026, via email when the evaluation is completed, and what the recommendations are, and the timeline for repair.
  - Do not enter and District manholes.

SDIS preliminary SDIS Liability Coverage:

- Copies of the coverage was emailed to all Board members.
- The District's 2002 Freightliner (Sludge Truck) was valued at \$100,000.00, but was changed to \$60,000.00, which is a more realistic value.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Secretary, Ulla Brunette.