

Town of Paonia
214 Grand Avenue
Tuesday, June 16, 2026 6:30 PM
Special Board Meeting Minutes

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Mayor Smith calls the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

A) Roll Call

Present:

Mayor Smith

Mayor Pro-Tem Fischer

Trustee Czech

Trustee Hunter

Trustee Foster

Trustee Ostrander

B) Approval of Agenda

Trustee Hunter makes a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Fischer.

The motion carries unanimously.

C) Actions & Presentations

Mayor Smith takes a moment to introduce Interim Town Administrator Greg Sund to the Board and public.

1) Consideration of Approving a Proposal for RFP 26-02 Raw Water Monitoring - *Town Staff*

RESPEC representatives, B.J. Elkins and James Starnes, explained that the project would install permanent raw-water monitoring equipment at four priority locations on Mount Lamborn, providing more accurate flow and spill data upstream of the treatment plant. Native Sun Construction was identified as the lowest responsible bidder; the other bid contained errors and was disqualified. The Board discussed available funding, the scope of current and future monitoring, state measurement requirements, and the difference between the existing temporary monitors, which have a less than 10% accuracy rate, and the proposed permanent system, which is expected to provide greater than 95% accuracy.

Public Comment:

- T. Woodard comments on investigating deeper fractured bedrock aquifers.
- S. Patterson comments on possible aquifers beneath properties on Rio Grand Ave.
- A. Ostrander comments on alternative usage of ground water.
- N. Sabine comments on ditch-water management.

Mayor Smith clarified that public comment was limited to the proposed raw-water monitoring contract rather than the broader water work session.

No additional substantive Board discussion occurred before the motion.

Trustee Hunter makes a motion to approve proposal RFP 26-02 Raw Water Monitoring, with Native Sun Construction as the contractor, in the amount of \$564,974.00. Seconded by Trustee Ostrander.

The motion carries unanimously.

2) Consideration of approving Resolution 09-2026 Adopting Stage 1 Fire Restrictions

Staff explained that Delta County had recently implemented Stage 1 fire restrictions and recommended that the Town adopt corresponding restrictions through Resolution 09-2026. The resolution was proposed to take effect at 9:00 PM that evening.

Public Comment:

No public comments were made on this item.

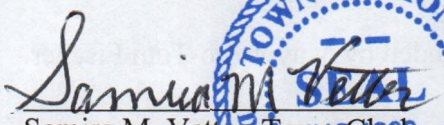
There was no further board discussion on this topic.

Trustee Ostrander makes a motion to pass resolution number 09-2026 Enacting Stage 1 Fire Restrictions within Paonia Town Limits. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Fischer.

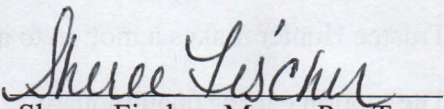
The motion carries unanimously.

D) Adjournment

Mayor Smith adjourns the meeting at 6:57 PM.


Samira M. Vetter, Town Clerk




Sheree Fischer, Mayor Pro-Tem