

Shorewood Water District Meeting Minutes

Annual Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

Attendees: Joe Heidelberger, Tina Heidelberger, Matthew Anderson, TJ Knactal, Chris Aadalen, Kelli Storck, Rich Storck, Derrick Atkins, Scott Bennett, Al Pietsch, Ray Lehn, Margie McCall, Craig McCall, Kari Fairclough, George Folk, Colleen Roloff, Rich Roloff, Al Powers

Chris Aadalen called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Meeting minutes from August 10, 2025 copies were provided for residents to review. These minutes were approved by the board prior to the meeting tonight.

President Update:

- Chris shared that Collin (the District Engineer with MDH) was onsite today performing our quarterly water testing.
- The pump house refurbishment plans were approved by MDH.

Old Business:

- Well Update-SPSD approved the easement request for the land for the new well. This was a requirement from MDH that we either purchase the land where the new well will be installed or have an easement. Joe explained that we had done testing of water from a well of a resident in Shorewood but not on our well that came back with levels within the guidelines for MDH of radium. The site was selected by Traut based on this water test but will still need to be approved by the state when they review the plan for the well plan from Traut. There is a possibility that the proposed site could change slightly based on feedback from the state. There were questions about what the plan would be if levels of radium came back outside of the acceptable limit. As discussed in August, we would separate out the current well residents into 3-separate wells, feeding approximately 13 homes each, which would no longer require us to perform testing as it falls below the threshold for maximum number of homes on a single well. There is a definite possibility that this could happen, which we would then need to save money and request additional grants to dig a 3rd well and move forward with this plan. We discussed that this was the option voted and approved in August by the residents at that meeting. We will be moving forward with refurbishing the current wellhouse this spring/summer and will be looking for volunteers to assist. This will be a project that is siding, interior finish, electrical, roofing, new door, and hopefully a roof access to easily access the wellhead. Grant money cannot be used for this project.

New Business:

- Budget/Fee Schedule-The proposed budget was shared with the group. Tina explained that this is not something that we have had in the past, but the numbers proposed were based on past expenditure over the last 2 years to estimate potential costs going forward. We have requested bids for insurance coverage for the well from the same vendor that we use for SPSPD, but we have not received a final number yet. This is something that we felt was important to have going forward to help protect our assets and avoid future financial exposure. A motion was made by Derrick Atkins to approve, seconded by Kari Fairclough. Motion passed. We discussed that moving forward the fee for the water residents would be a flat \$400 with no early pay incentive as there has been in the past. Bills will be sent 2/1 of each year and due by 3/1 in full. A motion was made by Al Powers to approve the \$400 flat fee and implement a 5% monthly late fee for delinquent accounts more than 30 days past due, seconded by Rich Storck. Motion carried.
- Shed Update- We will be moving forward with refurbishing the current wellhouse this spring/summer and will be looking for volunteers to assist. This will be a project that is siding, interior finish, electrical, roofing, new door, and hopefully a roof access to easily access the wellhead. Grant money cannot be used for this project.
- Grants- Chris has been working with MDH to obtain grants for our projects. We are waiting on a determination on a grant for \$15K currently but have received approval for grants totaling \$35K. There are parameters that we need to follow with these grants with what the money can be used for and there was discussion about this, and questions raised from residents at the meeting and a good discussion on how we will use this grant money towards the drilling of our new well.
- Meeting Dates-There was discussion about future meetings and having more consistent meetings. Tina shared that our bylaws state that we are required to hold an annual meeting, but it does not specify a specific month. The only other parameters are that residents will be notified of future meetings at least 21 days prior to the meeting date via email. A motion was made by George Folk to move our annual meeting to the first Tuesday of the month in October, seconded by Derrick Atkins. Motion carried. A motion was made by Matthew Anderson to schedule a meeting for the first Tuesday in April 2026 at 6pm, seconded by Derrick Atkins. Motion carried.
- Thank you-Matthew Anderson wanted to thank John and Jodie Maher for their past service on the board and express gratitude for their work on keeping our system running and getting us to where we are today! THANK YOU!!!!

Motion made by Rich Storck, seconded by Derrick Atkins to adjourn the meeting at 6:48pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Heidelberg

Shorewood Water District Secretary