

Silver Fork Pipeline Corporation

Minutes of the Annual Shareholders Meeting on Monday, May 5, 2025

The Annual Meeting of the shareholders of the Silver Fork Pipeline Corporation was held during a sudden snowstorm on May 5, 2025, at 7 pm, at Fire Station #108, 7688 S. Big Cottonwood Canyon Road, Brighton UT 84121.

Pursuant to provisions of the By-laws, Phil Lanouette, President of the Corporation, presided over the meeting, assisted by Jolene Despain, Secretary of the Corporation, and Earlene Lanouette. A list of stockholders was available during the meeting, and it was confirmed that a quorum was present for the meeting (54 in-person shareholders plus 75 proxies).

President's System Status Report: Phil Lanouette outlined the long-range goals for the Corporation as follows:

- **Shed.** The SFPC shed re-build will be completed this summer.
- **Water Meters** will be required in all homes by December 2025. SFPC will supply meters (\$450 each) for free in 2025, but shareholders must pay for installation. Starting in January 2026, the meters will no longer be free. The Water Meter Project began in 2022 with volunteer installations. In 2023, all new construction, remodels, and business license applicants were required to have meters. There are currently 55 meters installed with 30 in progress. The Town of Brighton will pay \$200/meter for every activated connection to help canyon water companies offset the cost of meters. So far the meters have shown where water leaks are, and that homeowners are not wasting water. It's important to note that data from water meters is not ever released to anyone.
- **Pressure-Reducing Valves.** Two PRVs will be installed in 2025, costing \$150,000 each. We will need 5 total PRVs.

This summer most of the available cash will be spent on two PRVs and the shed. We will be needing 3 additional PRVs, so it's likely there could be a rate increase in 2026. In addition, SFPC pays Salt Lake Public Utilities \$20,196/year for our Water Contract. SLCPU and the MSD both require a Water Availability letter for new construction and short-term rentals before issuing permits. SFPC also requires building plans to be submitted with any request for a Water Availability letter.

Rocky Mountain Power Update: President Lanouette introduced Talisha Jackson from B. Jackson Construction Company to talk about the Rocky Mountain Power Project this summer. Their crews will be trenching in Silver Fork, Pinetree, Brighton, Forest Glen, and Mill D to help Sturgeon Electric Company underground the canyon's power lines. They plan to install 119,000 ft of 11/4" conduit. It is possible that they will also install an additional conduit for communications fiber. They will restore the roads and driveways as they find them. If it is an asphalt road, they will mill out the entire road and put down a 2" asphalt overlay. Talisha will send out daily updates of progress.

State of the Town: President Lanouette then invited Mayor Knopp to give a report from the Town of Brighton, and expressed appreciation for the valuable contribution the Mayor has made to Silver Fork through the years as water company president, plow master, and Mayor. Dan reported that Rocky Mountain Power will be undergrounding the main trunkline and secondary lines that feed to the poles. They will not underground wires that run from the poles to the homes. Homeowners can apply to have this done independently. Please have patience with this project, as it will require digging in neighborhoods. This is an important project for fire mitigation. He encouraged SFPC board members to consider how to address water usage in case of a wildfire emergency.

Consumer Confidence Report (CCR): Phil then presented the CCR and noted that there were no system violations in 2024. Steve McIntosh reported that the tests required this coming year include BacT, Nitrate, VOCs and Asbestos. None of the corporation lines show traces of lead or copper. A PFAS test was taken for the first time. The result was 'non-detect'. Another PFAS test will be taken in October. These reports are required by the EPA to ensure that SFPC meets all federal and state requirements. A copy of the report was available at the meeting and is on the website (www.silverforkwater.com). It's important to protect the system or we will be required to have a chlorinated system.

Water Master's Report: Steve McIntosh explained that our water originates from the Woodlawn mine, flows through 8,000 ft. of limestone, quartzite, tillite, and granite in the Kentucky-Utah Mine and to the portal on the Solitude ski run, so it is well-filtered to exclude heavy metals and PFAFs.

- **Flow Rates.** He noted that the total number of gallons that passed through the mine tunnel meter in 2024 was 36,387,000 gallons, which is 120% of the 2023 flow. The mine tunnel high flow was 179.62 gpm (gallons per minute) the week of July 22, 2024. The mine tunnel low flow was 41.03 gpm the week of May 4, 2024. This past winter Low

Flow was 39.57 gpm. The Church Road meter ran 15,205,960 gallons in 2024 (a 35% increase from 2023), but there is a leak of about 7-10 gpm that has not been found.

▪ **Community Usage.** The highest community usage was 43.72 gpm on December 28 (worse than 2023 due to leak). The lowest community usage was 14.80 gpm on the week of March 9 (before leak). The average community usage was 5 gpm more in 2024, both summer and winter (due to leak). This past winter usage averaged 27.18 gpm + 6 gpm for the two bleeders. Overflow was present all year, but during the winter it was only .25 gpm at times! The drought is still with us this year, so continue to conserve water!

In 2024, there were no freezes. There are only 2 bleeders remaining that run at 6 gpm in winter (one on Slaughter's property, and one at the bottom of Burnt Flat Road), which represents 15% of the water going into the ground. Each summer Steve tests 25% of the hydrants. They are generally placed every 500 ft. apart throughout the community. We continue to have a persistent leak. If you hear or see anything suspicious, contact Steve.

▪ **Shareholder Responsibilities**

1. Please notify Steve about freeze-ups and all construction near water lines. Every new construction must pass a Bacteria Test. Waterline contamination could require an expensive chlorination system. Currently we don't add chlorine or fluoride to the water, although our water naturally contains half the RDA of fluoride.
2. Please mark your water service lines so they can be found in case of a winter water freeze-up.
3. Be sure water lines are at least 6' deep.
4. Please shovel the fire hydrant closest to your property. Each year it costs the company about \$1,000 to clear snow from hydrants. Thanks to Dayna Maack, Mike Howell, and Gwen Gushee for helping shovel out the hydrants this year.
5. Please remove hoses from outside water faucets for winter, or a freeze-up is guaranteed, which is dangerous for the whole system, and very expensive to repair.
6. If you leave your home for vacation, please leave the thermostat at ~60°. Hard-wired thermostats are preferred and can save the headache of having a battery die in a vacant house in the middle of winter. If you have questions, contact Steve. SFPC will pay for 2 hours of homeowner assistance work, but beyond that there will be a charge of \$50/hour.
7. He urged shareholders to be sure there is a backflow filter on their home water system.

Steve reported that new construction and remodels are now required to submit building plans to SFPC to be sure we have enough water to serve all shareholders. He and Ulrich Brunhart are working on a water supply capacity study to project the amount of water that will be needed in the future.

Q: (Brent Ludlow) *Has Solitude Resort prohibited the use of the PFAFs-forever-chemicals often used in ski wax?*

A: (Steve McIntosh and Dan Knopp) The PFAS chemical in ski wax has been found at Deer Valley, but they have been able to flush it out of their system and prohibit its use going forward. Dan added that this type of wax was often used in racing, but it is no longer allowed to be used or sold due to its effect on water quality.

Elections: Phil then conducted the Annual Election. Four Directors are to be elected this year. The slate includes Brian Heuer, Scott Benson, Kurt Slaughter, Ulrich Brunhart, and Bruce Engelhardt. No other nominations were presented from the floor. Ballots were collected and counted. The elected candidates were Brian Heuer, Scott Benson, Kurt Slaughter, and Ulrich Brunhart. If anyone would like to stand for next year's election, please come to the SFPC Board meetings or notify the Board by February 2026.

Minutes: The Minutes of May 6, 2024, were approved as submitted. (*Motion by Dan Knopp; 2nd by Bob Cameron*)

Financials: Income- \$127,220.00; Expenses- \$100,593.34; Total Assets- \$591,099.77; Liability & Equity- \$91,099.77; Cash on Hand- \$238,083.11; Receivables- \$250.00.

Free Water! Congratulations to Brent Ludlow who won the annual Water Assessment Waiver for 2024! The winning ticket was drawn by Phillip Lanouette.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. (*Motion by Kurt Slaughter, 2nd by everyone. Motion Carried*)

Submitted by ~~Barbara~~ Cameron