

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 25, 2026

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUEBLO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Directors Present: Boney Cosyleon, Jim Pioreschi, Ron Serna, Dennis Maroney, Paul Willumstad, Corinne Koehler, Donna Phillips, Bree Rodriguez

Also Present: Don Banner, Attorney
Rick Kidd, Engineer/Administrator
Mike Cuppy, Northstar Engineering
Cynthia Ramu, Art Coordinator
Tia Monson, Lake Runyon Watchperson
Scott Hobson

The regular meeting of the Pueblo Conservancy District was called to order by President Pioreschi at 10:00 am.

Minutes

A quorum being present, the minutes of the February 25, 2026 meeting were reviewed. It was moved by Maroney to approve minutes and seconded by Koehler. Hobson noted two corrections. Pilars Park needs two l's and 50 to 60 Light Poles will be placed on each side of the river 200 feet apart. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Forum

None

Guest Speaker

Dave Finegold of Highpoint Networks made presentation on Cameras. Pioreschi and Hobson met with Dave about all the capabilities his company has prior to his presentation. Pueblo Board or Water Works and the City of Pueblo uses them. Mr. Finegold explained that the cameras are operated by solar powered batteries. The cameras are mounted on poles that could be the same poles along the river trail that will have the solar lights. There are two general types of cameras that either cover open activity areas or longer corridors along the river and trails. Lots of additional valuable information was presented. Kidd, Hobson and Pioreschi will meet and go further with discussions.

Arts Committee

Levee Mural Project

Proposals

Nicole Lachele – Carrie Clyde Holly – “Let Girls Be Girls”

Jan Patterson “Americas Oldest Toy Run”

Roxanne Antu “Australian Cattle Dog”

Katheryn Beeby "My Home, My Universe"

Maroney moved to approve with the exception of #2. Cosyleon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The following proposals are for the banners under the ledge by safety trail.

Jazzelle Bustos "Carriers of the Current"

Nicole Lachele "River Spirit"

Desiree Talmich "Greetings from Pueblo"

Shannon Palmer "Mexican Tiles"

Alisa Proffer "Pueblo Train"

Tia Monson "Desert Scene"

Tia Monson "Kayak and Rafts"

Koehler made motion to approve Kayak scene. Maroney seconded. Rodriguez opposed. Motion carried.

Sculptures

None

Treasurers Report

A. Accountant's Compilation Reports

Kidd said that there is not a January or February Report. Mark has and will get them to Kidd.

B. Payment of Bills

Cosyleon said there are more expenses this month partly due to HARP. Otherwise nothing is out of the ordinary. Kidd missed paying Fountain Creek Watershed District \$1,000.00. Koehler made motion to prepare check and send. Maroney seconded. Cosyleon made motion to pay bills. Serna seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Old Business:**Marketing Report**

Koehler said they have several artists and several sponsorships for the May 13th event. Miller Pipeline and The Board of Water Works are some of the contributors. The City of Pueblo will vote on funding in April. Cynthia is contacting artists to attend and invite and see if they will donate a door prize. Koehler goes before Liquor Board on Friday. Pioreschi will also be there. Sarah Ballard designed the invitation and the link to purchase tickets will be sent out. Tickets are \$35.00 per person. Brochures for the Levee Mural are ready to be handed out. If anyone is interested in attending the May 13 Committee Meeting it will be held April 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Fuel and Iron.

Master Plan Update

Pioreschi met with Steven Meirer and said the City's main focus is working on accessing parking. District is working on Moffatt Trailhead and cleaning up by Runyon.

Levee Lighting

Pioreschi said work is starting today on the Southside. He wanted to make sure the Levee and PCD are covered under the general liability insurance by general contractor. Bobby Quintana is worried about direct burial of poles.

Moffatt Parking/Trailhead Status

Cuppy said the contract has been sent to Miller for signature with draft notice to proceed. He does not have documents back yet. Pioreschi said he will meet with the neighbor to let them know what is going on. Willumstad moved to dispense with payment performance bonds for this project only to save the District \$2500.00. Cosyleon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Project Wish List Progress

Southside Bluff Concrete Replacement – Cuppy said they are finalizing plans. Last thing is trail design and they are working on it. Pioreschi asked about engineer cost. Koehler asked about shelter for Runyon. She has friends that would like to donate to fund as long as it does not go thru City. Once designs are set Koehler will present to group of friends.

New Business:**Contracts For Mural Coordinator and Administrator Status**

Contracts have been signed.

Website Changes

Changes are being made. Kidd said accessibility is at 99 points.

Levee Inspection Walk

Priorreschi and Hobson walked all of phase 1 and 3. An RFP is going to go out for phase 1 for cracking and mitigation repair. Priorreschi is going to find a product for artists that works better and that accepts the paint and fits the needs of the District.

Retirement Budget

Priorreschi asked for a \$2500.00 budget for Rick Kidd's Retirement Party. All in favor. Approved.

Awards Banquet Tickets

Board was given 4 tickets for the May 14, 2026 event. Priorreschi feels the District should pay for all members that would like to attend since we are being recognized. Priorreschi will put out request for all that would like to attend for final count.

Ramu Final Payment

Ramu has been paid for January and February and has been given a stipend. She is working on other items that have been asked of her. Priorreschi would like to pay her for the month of March. Willumstad made motion to approve. Cosyleon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Administrative Assistant

Kidd will talk to Express Employment Agency. Hobson will also inquire.

Presidents Report

Priorreschi said there was a massive accident off of I25 that dumped fuel and killed thousands of fish and no one was notified of it. Priorreschi is going to start contacting people about it. As many people that can be contacted need to be. Fuel was washed down storm drain.

Administrator's Report**Standard Report**

Kidd said that Southern Colorado Blasting takes pictures of graffiti when it is removed and suggested that Board look at pictures. Kidd and Cuppy talked about maintenance assessment refunds. They have got some addresses from the county. Cuppy is working on this. PAWS sent a Thank You for the donation that was made in the name of Ernie Lucero. Koehler corrected Kidd on contacts sheet about the 30. Kidd has certificates for Ron, Corinne and Paul designating the representatives. Each of them have 5 year terms.

Transition Report

Kidd and Hobson have met and talked about bills. Mark will be doing checks and Scott will do spreadsheets. Rick turned in keys and is putting everything on external hard drive and working on closing things down.

Other Business As May Be Brought Before the Board

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

2026 SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

APRIL 22, 2026	MAY 27, 2026	JUNE 24, 2026
JULY 22, 2026	AUGUST 28, 2026	SEPTEMBER 23, 2026
OCTOBER 28, 2026	NOVEMBER 18, 2026	DECEMBER 16, 2026

(Meetings will be at 10:00 am unless posted otherwise).

APPROVED


James B Prioreschi, President


Ron Serna, Secretary

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