

Richland County
Pine Valley Sub Committee

The Richland County Pine Valley Committee convened on Monday, October 20, 2025, in person and virtually at 6:00 PM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

Call to Order: Brittany Paulus called the meeting to order at 6:02PM.

Committee Members present: Pat Rippchen, Sandra Kramer and Marc Couey, Mary Miller, Gary Manning.

Committee Member(s) absent: Alayne Hendricks.

County Board Members present: None

Attendants: Staff present included Brittany Paulus, Pine Valley Administrator; Jesi Towne, Pine Valley DON

Approval of Agenda and Verification of Posting: Motion by Sandra Kramer second by Mary Miller to approve agenda. Motion carried and agenda declared approved.

Approval of Minutes of the August 18, 2025 Pine Valley Sub-Committee Meeting: No additions, corrections or notes were identified. The minutes of the August 18, 2025 meeting were approved as written.

Public Comment: No Public Comment

Election of Chair and Vice Chair: Opened up for nomination: Gary Manning nominated Sandra Kramer for Chair, motion carried. Vice Chair- Gary Manning Nominated Mary Miller, unfortunately she was unable to commit to position. Marc Couey was nominated for Vice Chair- Motion carried

Pine Valley Census Recap: Brittany reviewed the census report for August and September, Average of 72 in August, but currently at its highest thus far 76, September did dropped to average of 69. CBRF averaged 14 currently 16.

Pine Valley Financials – Accounts Receivable Trend Report: Averaging from July, August and September over 1 million dollars in revenues each month, the highest all year. Working on using the matrix system and having issues with it. Working with finance director to ensure corrections are made. Finally received the penalty amount from CMS of \$114,440.00, Brittany stated that this will be paid over the next 3 months and broken down so it does not hit the financial all at once. Went over the reason why we received this.

Pine Valley Financials-Consideration of Vouchers: This is being approved by the County Administrator moving forward.

Administrator's Report: Update re: Went over the water, went over the testing procedures and that we went back online with water on 10/06/2025. Went over the timeline in which all of this occurred. Who was involved, who we brought in for assistance to ensure the safety of our residents. Let them know that as of now, we still do not know what caused this.

Marc Couey brought up potentially getting additional filtration system, UV lights etc. talked about the cost and what that would look like.

Brittany brought up that federal surveyor came in that day with 2 complaints, one was staffing and one was aerosols cause pneumonia, no results and that federal surveyor will be in again tomorrow and will have more information.

Another state surveyor came in from the division of quality

Adjourn: Motion by Sandra Kramer second by Gary Manning to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 5:38 PM.

Next Meeting: Monday, December 15, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

Brittany Paulus, Pine Valley Administrator