

Meeting Minutes
South Dakota Plumbing Commission

via Microsoft Teams and Conference Call

Thursday, January 15, 2026, 10:00 a.m. CST

Vice Chair Jeff Leuning called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Director Nielsen called the roll. A quorum was present.

Members present electronically: Jeff Leuning, Duane Levanen, Jim Bailey, and Brian Cooper.

Members absent: Jon Kist.

Others present electronically: Mandy Nielsen, Program Director; Jennifer Anderson, Secretary; Daryl Aston, SDPC inspector; Roy Boone, SDPC inspector; Cody Ficken, SDPC inspector; Ron Healy, SDPC inspector; Joe Vermeulen, SDPC inspector; Kristi Brunick, PHCC; Justin Blain, City of Sioux Falls, Jerry Thompson, Brad Tunge, and Dave Hansel.

Cooper made a motion to adopt the agenda. Bailey seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Cooper made a motion to approve October 23, 2025, minutes. Bailey seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Vice Chair Leuning opened the floor for public comment. Kristi Brunick from PHCC, Brad Tunge, and Dave Hansel spoke.

The commission discussed mechanical room slope to floor drains. The recommendation of the Commission is ¼ inch slope in a 1 foot radius around the drain. The commission asks this to be added to the next meeting agenda.

The commission discussed CPVC waste and vent. The commission is recommending wording be added to Chapter 3 of the adopted 2024 UPC code. The commission asks this to be added to the next meeting agenda.

The commission discussed sizing of water service on the existing lot in a municipality. The recommendation of the commission is that it is left the same, 1 inch size. The commission requests this to be added to the next meeting agenda.

Director Nielsen advised that a company we are looking at for a new database has the capability for handling exams online. She recommended that the commission wait to make any decision on an online exam provider until we know more about this option. The commission agreed with the recommendation.

The Commission reviewed Quarterly Financial Reports.

The Commission reviewed Quarterly Applications and Licensing.

The Commission reviewed Quarterly Inspection Reports.

Program Director Nielsen presented her report to the Commission.

Cooper made a motion to set the next quarterly meeting for Thursday, April 23, 2026, at 10 am CDT. Bailey seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Bailey made a motion to adjourn. Cooper seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.