

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
KANE COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE
725 EAST KANEPLEX DRIVE
KANAB, UTAH 84741
AUGUST 8TH, 2024**

The general meeting and public hearing of the **BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE KANE COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT** was held at the Kane County Water Conservancy District (KCWCD) Office, Kanab, Utah on the 8th day of August 2024 at 6:00 P.M. Board of Trustees Chairman Ben Clarkson welcomed the board members.

THE MEETING OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The board members and employees of the KCWCD participating in the meeting were: Vice Chairman Clay Hansen and board members: Mike Kenner, David Schmucker, and McKay Chamberlain. Ferril Heaton participated by phone, and Michael East was excused from the meeting. KCWCD management and staff in attendance included: General Manager, Michael Noel, and Office Manager Amanda Buhler. Contract employees in attendance included Dirk Clayson, Jennifer Stewart and KCWCD Attorney Rob VanDyke. The members of the public at the meeting were Commissioner Patty Kubeja, and Linda Briscoe.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Mike Kenner motioned to approve the July 11th, 2024 minutes. McKay Chamberlain seconded it. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: FINANCIALS:

(a) Amanda Buhler, KCWCD office manager, and General Manager Mike Noel reported on the financials, including assets, liabilities, and the financial balance sheets. State Bank of Southern Utah Enterprise checking account shows -\$531,388.75 (not actual number) and the various Public Treasurer's Investment Funds (PTIF) balances total \$3,601,608.46 The district is holding \$554,746.57 in checks for reimbursement. The actual current balance of the checking account is \$23,357.82. The income statement shows we completed the FY 2023/2024 budget. We have collected 103% of the projected budgeted water fees for FY 2023-2024.

(b) Amanda Buhler reviewed the check register with the board and called attention to various key transactions on the register. In FY 2022/2023, there were 46 new connections installed in the Johnson Canyon system and 20 new connections in the Duck Creek system. New connections updated as of today for FY 2023/2024 are 25 connections in the Johnson Canyon system and 19 connections for Duck Creek water system and 2 for the Eastern Kane water system.

(c) Amanda reported that we received \$11,470.83 in reimbursements today from the Kane County Treasurer, and we currently have received 2% of the total tax revenue. The 2023/2024 total tax revenue is \$1,101,492.00. The board members reviewed and signed off on the checking account register. Amanda asked all attending board members to sign the two bank statements that she

provided for them.

MOTION: David Schmuker made a motion to approve the financial statement, check register, payment of bonds and bills, and check #s 19000 to 19075. Clay Hansen seconded it. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The board considered all of the financial numbers correct as of August 8th, 2024 presented at the August 8th, 2024, meeting.

Enterprise Fund – Checking # 5110788	\$ -531,388.75
PTIF Enterprise - #3697	\$ 199,152.49
PTIF Muni Escrow- #3891	\$ 92,460.95
PTIF Stabil.Cap./Replacement - #3889	\$ 406,517.13
PTIF Total Bond/Res. Accts.	<u>\$ 3,601,608.46</u>
Sub-Total Checking/Savings	\$ 3,768,350.28
Accounts Receivable	\$ 539,857.91
Total Other Current Assets	<u>\$ 552,179.31</u>
Balances/All Funds	\$ 4,860,387.50

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: JACKSON FLAT RESERVOIR AND KANAB IRRIGATION COMPANY COORDINATION:

(a) Jackson Flat Reservoir water update: Mike reported we are currently at 60% capacity for the year to date. This is the lowest we have been since two years ago. It's been a very dry year and one of our pumps went down. Clark Electric changed out the power going to the pump from a 100 amp to a 200 amp. The well motor was grounded, so they pulled it, replaced it and put it back down in and there's still a code on the variable frequency drive. The part we need should be coming this week. An employee from Mountainland will install it. This will give us another 350 GPM.

(b) Recreation and Operational Report: Mike reported we will use the grant we received from the Office of Outdoor Recreation for additional bathrooms and lighting for the pickleball courts. Mike met with the Office of Outdoor Recreation and they are very supportive of our project and they expect to have more funding this year for rural areas. We will be planning for next year's projects. Friday night music concerts have been well attended and fun for our Kane County Constituents.

American Water Works Association Conference: KCWCD will be hosting the AWWA on September 10th-12th in Kanab. There will be 300-400 people at the convention center, and there will be a Dutch oven dinner the night of the 11th for AWWA participants and KCWCD Board of Directors. **The following week on September 19th, we will be hosting the Utah Watershed Council for one day at the water district office.** Linda Briscoe reported on the **History Path Project:** she talked to Levi LeFevre Kanab track coach about the trail and how to set up the mile markers. Linda presented the trail title. Kane County History Walk on the Sherry Belle Trail. Linda will need money for the stands the signs will be attached to. Mike recommended she talk to Recreation and Transportation to get the funding for this project. Linda will ask Clayton Cutler if she can get on the agenda for the next meeting.

July 24th Celebration- Mike reported that the 24th of July event went very well. There were approximately 900 people that attended the dinner and activities, which were facilitated by the

Kaibab Stake and North Stake. The three live music bands and Hayden Ballard did a good job with their respective musical performances. As always the fireworks were outstanding. Spencer Mosdell facilitated the fireworks.

(c) Kanab Irrigation Secondary Metering Project Status: Mike reported that to date 30 meters have been installed for the town secondary irrigation system.

(d) Stella Vista Observatory MOU- Mike and Rob: Rob reported there has been no updates on this project.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: COVE RESERVOIR EIS: Mike reported they had an EIS progress meeting today. The draft EIS progress report was very optimistic. Eocene has produced a website in SharePoint that allows members on the project team to see what has been completed and what they are currently working on. They have finished several of the sections included in the EIS. As soon as the purpose and need section of the EIS is completed the documents will be forwarded to NRCS national office for review and approval. Mike will then meet with the cooperating agencies and wait for the final review. Hal Gordon will review the economic analysis prepared by Scott Hoag, which should also be completed within the next two weeks. Mike feels confident that this project will eventually be approved, especially because we have the Zion Canyon Settlement Agreement to fall back on. If we have the support of the Executive Branch and the House and Senate it would help tremendously to move the project forward. Mike and Dirk will hopefully finalize the MOU tomorrow.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: JOHNSON CANYON: Mike reported that we received the final approval from Division of Drinking Water on well #4. Installing the final casing and finishing the wall are the final steps needed for completion of well #4.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: DUCK CREEK VILLAGE/CEDAR MOUNTAIN LONG VALLEY WATER and SEWER SYSTEM:

(a) Mike reported that there is only one-third of the clay left to remove. We have the funds to complete it and the project is moving forward. In the future we could be looking at building a treatment plant by the lagoons.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: EAST KANE COUNTY WATER SYSTEM: (New Paria and West Clark Bench)

(a) Mike reported he attends the progress meetings every week. He meets with Brotherson, Dale Cox, and Patriot Construction. Cluff Drilling drilled a well and it was out of specification at 800 feet for a submersible pump. The submersible pump needs to be installed with spider setters on the delivery line to keep the pump in the center of the hole. This will facilitate removal and repair of the pump and bowls in the future. The driller will also put blank spacers in every 20 to 30 feet. This will allow the pump to be moved up and down within the well without charge water flowing directly on the pump motor. They will increase the hole casing size from an 8 inch to a 10 inch to give more clearance. It's a \$26,000 change order. There is more money in ARPA that we will apply for to help with the funding on this project. There's a minor problem with the tank. Landmark said they're not within specifications on the break test. It's supposed to be 5000 and it came in at 4800, but they expect it to harden up to specifications within two months. Mike will

also be requesting funds from the Division of Drinking water to build a new pump house.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

(a) Mike reported we received a grant of \$350,000 from the office of outdoor recreation. This will allow us to start the pickleball courts.

(b) Ben opened the meeting to executive session.

MOTION: David Schmuker made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of possible lease of our Andalex water rights. Clay Hansen seconded it. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

MOTION: McKay Chamberlain made a motion to go out of executive session. Mike Kenner seconded it. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

(c) Next Meeting Date: September 12th, 2024, 6:00 PM @ Kane County Water Conservancy District Office.

MOTION: Clay Hansen made a motion to adjourn. David Schmuker seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M. on August 8th, 2024, per a unanimous vote.

APPROVED:

Ben Clarkson-Chairman, KCWCD Board of Trustees - Date

Michael E. Noel –General Manager, KCWCD - Date