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CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

TIME & PLACE Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. the Board of Trustees of the Weber-Box Elder Conservation District convened in a regular monthly meeting. This meeting was held in the district office at 471 West 2nd Street, Ogden, Utah.

ROLL CALL **BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**
David S. Humphreys (Chairman)
Paul W. Nelson (Vice Chairman)
David R. Hall
James Hill
Marci Doolan

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Tamera Martinson (Office Manager/Secretary Clerk)

EXCUSED: Jeff Humphrey (General Manager/Treasurer)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Joseph Bauman (Chairman, South Ogden Conservation District)
Mark Hodson (President, Ogden River Water Users' Association)
- Via telephone

Lew Swain – Willard Land LLC

MINUTES The minutes of September 10, 2024 were approved upon the motion of James Hill and seconded by Paul Nelson. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill and Marci Doolan passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

WATER A report on the water situation was given by Tamera Martinson. Precipitation for September was .54 inches and there was no precipitation month-to-date. The Ogden River Water Users' Association had 28,749 acre feet of water in the reservoir at the end of September.

3rd QUARTER BUDGET VS. ACTUAL The Secretary, Tamera Martinson, presented and discussed the 3rd quarter's actual expenditures compared to the 2024 Budget.

PETITIONS There was one petition for inclusion presented to the Board. After Board discussion, James Hill made a motion to include the petition (petition #3589) into the district pending the receipt of the Weber Basin water contract. The motion was seconded by David Hall. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill and Marci Doolan passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

WILLARD LAND The development for Willard Land, LLC was proposed to the Board. After board discussion, James Hill made a motion to provide a "Will Serve" letter for proposed development with the caveat that the Willard Land, LLC would turn their rights to the spring over to the district. In addition, Willard Land, LLC would build a pump station with a holding reservoir and secondary irrigation system to the district's standards and specifications. Once the infrastructure has been completed, the ownership of the irrigation system would be transferred to the district. The motion was seconded by David Hall. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill and Marci Doolan passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

MANAGER'S REPORT Tamera Martinson filled in for Jeff Humphrey with the manager's report. She informed the Board that the Franchise Agreement with Ogden City has been reviewed by the attorneys and is now waiting for signatures.

Tamera Martinson gave a construction update to the Board. She discussed the progress of the remodel at the Unit H Pump House. She also discussed the plans for the upsizing of the Perry Pump House. In addition, an update was given on the water meter installations that have been completed.

A discussion was held regarding the partnership of North American Weather Consultants with the State of Utah in order to put cloud seeding equipment across the Wasatch front. They reached out to Jeff Humphrey to see if we would be interested in allowing them to place cloud seeding equipment at a few of our reservoir sites. The State of Utah will be covering these costs. Studies have shown that the cloud seeding increases the snowpack in the areas that they have been placed. The Board was supportive of the cloud seeding program.

The Board was informed that RFP's will be going out for the Water Master Plan as well as for the on-call water engineering consultant services.

The progress on the rate study that is being performed by EFG consulting was discussed. The rate study should be ready to present in next month's board meeting.

BILLS The attached certified list of bills for September/October were presented for approval upon the motion of Paul Nelson. The motion was seconded by James Hill. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill and Marci Doolan passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

ADJOURNED Having no other items to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m. with a motion from James Hill. The motion was seconded by Paul Nelson and unanimously passed by those in attendance.

Submitted by:
/Tamera Martinson/, Secretary-Clerk