

**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
NOVEMBER 14TH, 2024**

The general meeting 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 14th day of November 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: Board Chairman Ben Clarkson and board members: Mike Kenner, David Schmuker, Michael East, Ferril Heaton, Clay Hansen and McKay Chamberlain. KCWCD management and staff in attendance included: General Manager, Michael Noel, and Office Manager Amanda Buhler. Contract employees in attendance included Dirk Clayson, Rob VanDyke and Jennifer Stewart. Vern Malloy representing Sunrise Engineering attended the board meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION: McKay Chamberlain motioned to approve the October 10th, 2024 minutes. David Schmuker 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 -\$784,637.74 (not actual number) and the various Public Treasurer's Investment Funds (PTIF) balances total \$2,980,600.45. The district is holding \$844,480.02 in checks for reimbursement. The actual current balance of the checking account is \$59,842.28. The income statement shows we completed the FY 2023/2024 budget. We have collected 35% of the projected budgeted water fees for FY 2024-2025.

(b) Amanda Buhler reviewed the check register with the board and called attention to various key transactions on the register. Currently for FY 2024/2025 there are 6 new connections in Johnson Canyon, 9 connections in Duck Creek and 4 connections in East Kane County Water System.

(c) Amanda reported that we received \$39,113 in disbursements to date from the Kane County Treasurer, and we currently have received 4% of the total tax revenue. 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: Michael East made a motion to approve the financial statement, check register, payment of bonds and bills, and check #s 19288 to 19408. Ferril Heaton seconded it. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The board considered all of the financial numbers correct as of

November 14th, 2024 presented at the November 14th, 2024, meeting.

Enterprise Fund – Checking # 5110788	\$ -784,637.74
PTIF Enterprise - #3697	\$ 40,241.63
PTIF Muni Escrow- #3891	\$ 229,573.15
PTIF Stabil.Cap./Replacement - #3889	\$ 324,685.60
PTIF Total Bond/Res. Accts.	<u>\$ 3,170,737.81</u>
Sub-Total Checking/Savings	\$ 2,980,600.45
Accounts Receivable	\$ 536,443.46
Total Other Current Assets	<u>\$ 551,542.55</u>
Balances/All Funds	\$ 4,086,586.46

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

(a) Jackson Flat Reservoir water update: Mike reported we are currently at 52% capacity for the year to date. Last year we were at 63%. The lowest year was in 2020 and we were at 42%. Well #1 is 350 GPM. Well #2 is off and hopefully we'll get Gardner Brothers back to repair well #2 after they finish the big project they're working on in Washington County. Mike believes it could be the variable frequency drive that needs to be replaced.

(b) Recreation and Operational Report: Mike reported the Fishing Derby was a success. There were many children and adult participants this year. Next year it will be held in April, when the weather is warmer and there aren't as many hunting activities going on at the same time. Mike reported we have two different grants totaling \$350,000 to complete the restrooms. We will submit a grant application for the pickleball courts.

(c) Kanab Irrigation Secondary Metering Project Status: Mike reported that our operators got 16 new meters done in the last two weeks. They have installed 58 meters total.

(d) Stella Vista Observatory MOU- Mike and Rob: Mike reported the contract was completed and SVO was in agreement with the contract. They're excited about starting the project. The project announcement will be submitted to the local newspaper.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: COVE RESERVOIR: Mike reported they had a progress meeting today. Emily Paris, the EIS editor, continues to push the project along. Mike feels like we have made more progress with the EIS in the past 4 months than we have made in the last year. Mike reported on a decision that was made by the United States Circuit Court in Washington D.C. The case involved the Audubon Society. The three judge panel ruled 2 to 1 that the Council on Environmental Quality, (CEQ) is an administrative policy board and does not have rule making authority. The new Trump administration should make it easier to get approval for moving forward on the project. Dirk reported that members of the Eocene Team will be in the Glendale area to look for any paleontology sites in the proposed right of way areas.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: JOHNSON CANYON WELL: Mike reported that the well drillers are going to go down another 30-50 feet then stop. The well is all grouted to 100 feet. Drinking Water approved the grouting. Well Drillers had to go to another project so we'll plan to get it finished this

coming fall. We should get approximately 400-500 GPM.

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

(a) Vern Malloy reported the sewer pond construction is complete and the state gave verbal permission to put sewer in the pond. There are three things on the punch list that need to be completed. Retainage is being held until these three things are completed. The seeding behind Rod Ence's property needs to be done. The leak in the lift station needs to be repaired and the unknown spot in the pipeline under the highway that is leaking needs to be repaired.

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

(a) Mike reported everything on the New Paria tank project is finished except for the roof for the pump station. Our certified operators constructed Benny Hill's solar project which was a trade for the right of way he gave us.

West Clark Bench progress: The pour for the lid rim was done last week and went very well. They will have to pass the break tests on the lid. We still have a few things left to do on the pipeline across from the Woodcliff's property. We have also added a few more connections in this area.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

(a) **Board Member Issues:** Wes Hoyt Garkane employee is our point of contact for the power plant in Orderville. Clay Hansen reported the power plant wasn't on when he checked.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: MOTION: Michael East made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing legal issues concerning the Cove Reservoir. Ferril Heaton seconded it. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

MOTION: Michael East made a motion to go out of executive session and back into regular board meeting. Ferril Heaton seconded it. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

(b) **Next Meeting Date:** December 12th, 2024, 6:00 PM @ Kane County Water Conservancy District Office. Christmas dinner will start at 5:00 P.M. Spouses are invited.

MOTION: Michael East made a motion to adjourn. Ferril Heaton seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8 P.M. on November 14th, 2024, per a unanimous vote.

APPROVED:

Ben Clarkson-Chairman, KCWCD Board of Trustees - Date

Michael E. Noel –General Manager, KCWCD - Date