

**MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JORDAN VALLEY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

(Approved September 8, 2025)

Held August 11, 2025

A regular meeting of the Conservation Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District was held on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 3:01 p.m. at JVWCD's administration building located at 8215 South 1300 West, West Jordan, Utah.

This meeting was conducted electronically in accordance with the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act (Utah Code Ann. (1953) §§ 52-4-1 *et seq.*) and Chapter 7.12 of the Administrative Policy and Procedures Manual ("Electronic Meetings").

Trustees Present:

Barbara L. Townsend, Conservation Committee Chair
Andy Pierucci (electronic)
Corey L. Rushton
Dawn Ramsey
John Richardson
John H. Taylor
Karen Lang
Mick Sudbury
Zach Jacob

Staff Present:

Alan Packard, General Manager
Ben Stanley, General Counsel
Brian Callister, Maintenance Department Manager (electronic)
Brian McCleary, Controller
Carl Wilkins, Director of Digital Services
David Martin, Chief Finance Officer/Treasurer
Gordon Batt, Operations Department Manager
Jacob Young, Deputy General Manager
John Kahle, Staff Engineer
Kelly Good, Community Engagement Department Manager
Kurt Ashworth, Human Resource Manager
Lisa Wright, Administrative Assistant III
Mindy Keeling, Executive Assistant
Shane Swensen, Chief Engineer
Shazelle Terry, Assistant General Manager
Travis Christensen, Engineering Group Leader
Courtney Brown, Conservation Division Manager
Erik Wermel, Conservation Programs Supervisor (electronic)
Martin Feil, Database Administrator (electronic)
Shaun Moser, Conservation Garden Park Manager (electronic)
Sophie Byde, Conservation Coordinator (electronic)
Teresa Atkinson, Administrative Assistant II
Valerie Millette, Conservation Coordinator

Also present:

Branden Anderson (electronic)
Clint Dilley, General Manager, Magna Water District (electronic)
Greg Anderson, General Manager, Kearns Improvement District (electronic)
Greg Christensen, Trustee, Kearns Improvement District
Jason Helm, General Manager, Granger-Hunter Improvement District (electronic)
Mark Chalk, General Manager, Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District (electronic)
Shawn Anderson (electronic)

Welcome

Ms. Barbara Townsend, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Consider approval of the minutes of the Conservation Committee meeting held July 7, 2025

Ms. Barbara Townsend called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Conservation Committee meeting held on July 7, 2025. Mr. John Richardson moved to approve the minutes. Following a second by Mr. Mick Sudbury, the motion was unanimously approved by those present as follows:

Mr. Andy Pierucci – aye	Mr. John Taylor – aye
Ms. Barbara Townsend – aye	Ms. Karen Lang – aye
Mr. Corey Rushton – aye	Mr. Mick Sudbury – aye
Ms. Dawn Ramsey – aye	Mr. Zach Jacob – aye
Mr. John Richardson – aye	

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Member Agency Grant Applications

1. **Water efficiency standards agreement with Kearns Improvement District**
2. **Water efficiency standards agreement with Herriman City**

Mr. Jacob Young introduced the grant applications, explaining that the Kearns Improvement District (KID) was seeking a water efficiency standards supplement following program changes made this year, which made funds available to member agencies classified as improvement districts.

Mr. Courtney Brown, Conservation Division Manager, then presented KID's application, noting that KID had consulted with the City of Kearns and both parties agreed that KID would be the most appropriate entity to lead water efficiency standard compliance efforts. He emphasized that this was KID's first grant application for this program and that they requested their total eligibility amount of \$65,500 for an effort with a total cost of \$72,595. Mr. Brown indicated the grant includes strengthening compliance with new developments, improving internal processes for inspection and enforcement, enhancing customer engagement and transparency, and modernizing tools and standards.

Board Trustees raised questions about how KID would manage water efficiency standards compliance in its service area that intersects West Valley City, Taylorsville City, and West Jordan City. Mr. Brown explained that KID was modeling its program after JVWCD, which also navigates multiple land use jurisdictions. Mr. Young clarified that the application was intended for KID's entire service area, not just Kearns

City, and that further details would need to be worked out to avoid overlapping/conflicting efforts.

Trustees were also concerned about potential "double payment" if those cities later sought similar funding in areas already served by KID, but they emphasized that land use authority should ideally oversee the program. Mr. Young indicated that the trustee's feedback would be considered before a recommendation was made on KID's application in the September Board Meeting.

Mr. Brown presented Herriman City's Water Efficiency Standards grant application, noting that this was its fifth and final year of eligibility for funding through this program. He indicated that Herriman City requested its total eligibility amount of \$63,000 for an effort with a total cost of \$78,200. Mr. Brown highlighted that in previous years, Herriman City's funding ranged from just under \$30,000 to \$45,000. He stated that the city employs a water conservation coordinator who performs most of the work supported by the grant and has a consistent record of quarterly invoices with detailed reports on water efficiency standard efforts. Mr. Young confirmed that Herriman City's application did not raise the same questions as Kearns, as Herriman City functions as both the land use and water authority within its boundaries. Staff plans to recommend approving the award of \$63,000 to Herriman City in the September Board Meeting.

Reporting Items

Mr. Young reported on the Garden Education Programs Report that the education programs were progressing well, with positive attendance and feedback. He noted that the Taylorsville City Council's Green Committee Chair had expressed satisfaction with the partnership, particularly regarding the Localscape classes taught at the city, underscoring the effectiveness of these classes.

Mr. Young highlighted the Garden Visitation Report, indicating the JVWCD is on track to meet its goal of 35,000 visitors this year, a 10% increase from last year. He noted that 70% of visitors come from outside West Jordan, with a notable number from other states, including groups like representatives from the Colorado Basin States, showing the garden's positive impact on public relations and Utah's conservation efforts. He shared that JVWCD funds are used for school tours, and that the school tour visitors are tracked separately from the general visitor data. Trustees praised the report as valuable for understanding visitor origins. Mr. Young concluded by highlighting the garden's central location as a key advantage for attracting visitors from across the entire valley.

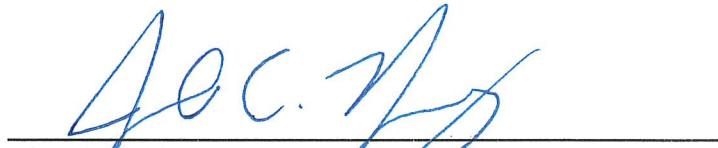
Mr. Young indicated positive trends in program participation, expressing encouragement for the number of applicants for Utah Water Savers, which is slightly below plan. He noted that projects typically see a higher completion rate as the fall approaches. Mr. Young clarified that the current square footage numbers do not include projects from the municipal partnership program funded by county sources, anticipating a rise in these numbers before the end of the year.

Adjourn

Ms. Townsend called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Karen Lang moved to adjourn. Following a second from Mr. Mick Sudbury, the meeting adjourned at 3:32 p.m.



Barbara L. Townsend
Conservation Committee Chair



Jacob C. Young
Deputy General Manager