

# **GWSSA FULL BOARD AND DISTRICT MEETINGS**

**GRAND WATER & SEWER SERVICE AGENCY, SPANISH VALLEY WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, GRAND COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, AND THE GRAND COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICE WATER DISTRICT**

**3025 E. SPANISH TRAIL ROAD, MOAB, UTAH**

**THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.**

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## **THE GRAND WATER AND SEWER SERVICE AGENCY**

The Meeting was called to order by President Gary Wilson at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were Brian Martinez, Ben Wilson, Mike Holyoak, Steve Getz, Rani Derasary, Mike Duncan, Dale Weiss—Kevin Clyde and Ken Helfenbein arrived after roll call.

Not in attendance were Luke Wojciechowski, Dan Pyatt, Preston Paxman, Brian Backus, and Rick Thompson.

Also in attendance were GWSSA Employees: Agency Manager Ben Musselman and ARO Josh Green.

**Minutes for Board Meeting 8/21/2025** – MOTION to approve minutes by Mike Holyoak. SECONDED by Dale Weiss. MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

**Citizens to be heard** – Tiger Keogh, who resides at corner of Old City Park Road, would request for engineering work in the future for her property. She has a sewage smell that she would like addressed, which comes from manholes near property. If we cannot reengineer it, then she would ask that we schedule maintenance to help with smell. Gary Wilson said thank you and will get the staff to look into it.

**Approval of Checks and Expenditures DATE to DATE** – Motion by Ben Wilson to approve the amount of \$226,020.92. SECONDED by Dale Weiss. MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

**Financial Statement** – Presented by Ben Musselman. We are 67% of year. Everything looks good.

**Project Updates** – Holyoak Lane Water Project plans are nearing completion. Our ESRI System updates are at about 80%. The impact fee facility plan and impact fee studies are ongoing, but we do not have a percentage of how far along we are.

**Abandonment of Easement on Powerhouse Lane** – Presented by Ben Musselman. Property owner at Powerhouse Lane has asked us to abandon our easement that goes through his property so he can utilize the area to build. In this easement is an old pipe that is no longer in use. Our wellhouse above property pumps to the Moab Irrigation Company's pipe, which is used for irrigation. Abandoning this easement will not affect our delivery, and we can get an easement up in the roadway still (already the option there). After discussion, Dale Weiss MOTIONED to move forward with the abandonment process. SECONDED by Kevin Clyde. MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY; Ben Musselman will contact owner for next steps.

**2025 Water Conservation Plan – Discussion/Approval to move forward** – We need the okay from the board to schedule the public hearing for the October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, board meeting. Any additional recommendations/edits for the plan will need to be received by October 1<sup>st</sup> to allow time for edits to be made and a finalized plan to be presented. We have received recommendations so far and Josh Green is working on

implementing them. MOTION by Dale Weiss to proceed. SECONDED by Rani Derasary. MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

**Lake and Snow Report** – We got some snow and rain, which was good. Ken's Lake is 801 acre feet, 400 above conservation pool. A letter was sent to the BLM to discuss dipping into the conservation pool if needed. The letter also spoke of revising or looking at the Sheley Tunnel Diversion, regarding the discharged volume flow numbers.

**Cloud Seeding Presentation** – Presented by Jared Smith of Rainmaker.

**Items from Staff** – The Grand County Water Conservancy District received 2 applications to fill the upcoming seats, and forwarded them to the Grand County Commission for review and recommendations to the Governors Office

The Deer Creek Fire usage totaled 338,000 gallons, all hydrant use. Josh has reached out to WaterSmart grant regarding eligibility.

A lightning strike hit the building here last week, had Emery Telcom come fix their equipment upstairs and lost our card reader at the water filling station.

Josh and CINCH IT will be converting website to our .GOV site address tomorrow.

We sent Thompson SSD a letter, regarding what it would cost to take over and pricing. Les Thayne of TSSD contacted ben to discuss the ongoing evaluation of the rates with the RWAU, that will begin on 9/22/25.

OSTA had an issue with their fire suppression system, which required GWSSA to shut off water to the property until it is fixed. They are hoping to have it fixed by Saturday, when our on-call operator will go out to turn the water back on.

Ben and Josh attended the MAWP meeting yesterday. They felt it went well and was very productive.

**Committee Reports** – WURMP Workshop took place last week. We had great discussions and showed the need that we need to work cooperatively within the valley with other agencies.

**Items from Board Members** – None.

**Closed Session** – No closed session.

**Adjournment** – MOTION to adjourn the meeting by Kevin Clyde at 8:40 PM. SECONDED by Ben Wilson. MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

ATTEST:

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BEN MUSSELMAN, AGENCY MANAGER