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MINUTES

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MASOB OR VIA Zoom

October 22, 2025 8:30 AM

Henry Willmes

Dave Pierson

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Webb Jill Jones Joe Havasi Michelle Kaufusi Michela Harris Jeannie Simmonds Rob Fehr

Alex Heppner

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS' PRESENT

Sam Taylor

Emily Cantón Judy Etherington Leanna Littler-Woolf Skyler Davies Clanci Hawks Benj Morris Lindsay Cowles Eric Castrejon Adrianna Hernandez Allie Rockhill George Meados Beth Wondimu Andrew Pompeo Christa Hutchison Ken Hoffman Tessa Scheuer

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OTHERS PRESENT & ONLINE

Richard Mickelsen Matt Marziale Holly Karren Weston Bellam Jack Lystle Trevor Brooksky Joe Santos Liz Harris Teresa Taylor Weston Bellon Jenny Calderon Katy Reams Briya Tolbert Corey Twedt Paul Erickson Kevin Hoffman Kurtis Shawcroft **Rob Dotson**

Marcus Simons Ashley Sumner

Mr. Webb, Chair, called the Meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Webb took roll call for the members of the Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2025 MEETING

Motion: Jill Jones moved to approve the meeting minutes.

Michela Harris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT:

Ms. Cantón presented two informational items to the Board on behalf of Mr. Mackey.

- The Division of Water Quality is pleased to announce the selection of Candace Hasenyager as the new Division Director. Ms. Hasenyager, currently the Director for the Division of Water Resources, will begin her new role on January 5, 2026. We hope to introduce her formally to the Board during the December Board meeting.
- The Utah Lake Authority is hosting the Utah Lake Symposium on October 30th & 31st. This is an excellent opportunity for the public and interested parties to hear presentations on the ongoing management of the Utah Lake watershed. This year the event will include a "Monster Ball" the evening of the 30th, featuring a costume contest and a dinner where the Utah Lake Authority's Executive Director will report on the past year's accomplishments.

FUNDING:

Financial Status Report: Ms. Hernandez presented the financial status report to the Board.

FY 2026 Funding Request Staff Recommendations: Ken Hoffman introduced the funding process and staff presented the projects for authorization.

- 1. Enoch City- Beth Wondimu & Henry Willmes
- 2. Dutch John (Daggett County)- Beth Wondimu & Ken Hoffman
- 3. Hinckley Town- George Meados
- 4. City of Lewiston- Beth Wondimu & Ken Hoffman
- 5. Millville City- Beth Wondimu & Ken Hoffman

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- 6. Richmond City- Andrew Pompeo
- 7. Salem City- Skyler Davies

Funding Authorizations: At the conclusion of project presentations, the Board reviewed the requests and made the following authorizations:

Enoch City

Motion:

Ms. Harris moved to authorize funding for Enoch City as a \$5,846,000 loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund for sewer system construction upgrades and a \$856,000 loan for engineering services from the Utah Wastewater Loan Fund, both loans at an interest rate of 3.61% and repayable over 20 years subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Ms. Jones seconded the motion.

The motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 nay vote received from Mr. Havasi.

Dutch John (Daggett County)

Motion:

Ms. Jones moved to authorize funding for Dutch John (Daggett County) as a \$240,000 loan from the Utah Wasewater Loan Fund at an interest rate of 2% and repayable over 20 years and a \$239,000 Hardship Grant for sewer system upgrades subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Ms. Kaufusi seconded the motion

The motion passed unanimously.

Hinckley Town

Motion:

Ms. Harris moved to authorize that Hinckley Town's existing \$267,000 Design Advance be forgiven as a Hardship Design Grant subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Ms. Jones seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion:

Ms. Harris moved to authorize funding to Hinckley Town as a \$961,000 loan at an interest rate of 1.33% for a term of up to 30 years from the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund, \$750,000 in Principal Forgiveness for lagoon upgrade construction, and \$113,000 in Hardship Construction Grant for engineering construction management services subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Mr. Havasi seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

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City of Lewiston

Motion:

Ms. Simmonds moved to authorize funding to Lewiston City as a \$960,000 loan at 1.7% interest for a term of 30 years from the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund and \$1,710,000 in Principal Forgiveness for lagoon upgrade construction subject to the staff recommended special conditions listed in the packet and the following additional special conditions.

- Lewiston City shall request and receive Concept Approval from the Director to address discharge standards and compliance to address phosphorus.
- Staff may adjust the scope of work based on the Concept Approval.

Ms. Harris seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Millville City

Motion:

Ms. Jones moved to authorize funding to Millville City as a \$110,000 loan from the Utah Wastewater Loan Fund at 1.95% interest for a term of 20 years and \$1,400,000 in Hardship Grant Funds for treatment plant capacity purchase in the Hyrum Wastewater Treatment Plant subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Ms. Kaufusi seconded the motion.

The motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 nay vote received from Mr. Havasi.

Richmond City

Motion:

Mr. Havasi moved to authorize funding to Richmond City as a \$6,526,000 loan at 1.2% interest for a term of 20 years from the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund and \$1,700,000 of Principal Forgiveness for the construction of MBR treatment upgrades subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Ms. Kaufusi seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Salem City

Motion:

Ms. Simmonds moved to authorize funding to Salem City as a \$9,000,000 loan from the Utah Wastewater Loan Fund at 2.8% interest for a term of up to 30 years for treatment plant upgrades subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Ms. Harris seconded the motion.

The motion passed with 4 ayes and 3 nay votes received from Ms. Kaufusi, Mr. Havasi, and Ms. Jones.

After the motion passed, the Board voted unanimously to withdraw the original motion. The Board continued discussion of loan terms for the funding request.

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Motion:

Ms. Kaufusi moved to authorize funding to Salem City as a \$9,000,000 loan from the Utah Wastewater Loan Fund at 2.4% interest for a term of up to 30 years for treatment plant upgrades subject to the staff recommended special conditions.

Mr. Havasi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Ms. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Havasi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Next Meeting December 10, 2025 MASOB & Via Zoom 195 North 1950 West Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Via **Zoom**

James Webb

12/11/2025

James Webb, Chair Utah Water Quality Board