

**EMERY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 26,2026**

MEMBERS PRESENT

LEE McELPRANG (Chair)
KASH WINN
CRAIG JOHANSEN
CORY CLOWARD

DERRI JEWKES
KRIS PAYNE
BLAINE JENSEN (Vice Chair)

STAFF PRESENT

NACOLE ALLEN
MONROE MAGNUSON
DILLION WALLS

MEMBERS ABSENT

NONE

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

CODY ALLRED, Pacifi Corp JAY HUMPHREY, Public

1. **Call to Order at 7:00pm/Roll Call/Introduction of Guests**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Emery Water Conservancy District was called to order by Chairman Lee McElprang on Monday, January 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm at the District Office located at 20 S 100 E, Castle Dale, Utah. Roll call was taken and guests were introduced.

2. **Public Comments/Concerns**

No public comments were made.

3. **Possible Conflict of Interest Disclosures if any**

No conflict of interest disclosures were made.

4. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of December 8, 2025 Minutes**

Motion was made by Kris Payne and seconded by Craig Johansen to approve the December 8, 2025 Minutes. Aye: Kris, Craig, Derri, Kash, Blaine, Cory. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Discussion and Approval of Financial Reports and Voucher Statement**

Motion was made by Kash Winn and seconded by Kris Payne to approve the Financial Reports and Voucher Statement from the dates of December 3, 2025 to January 20, 2026 and From check numbers 19398 – 19469. Aye: Kash, Kris, Derri, Blaine, Craig, Cory. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Discussion of Water Report and SNOTEL Report**

- a. Manager discussed the water and snow are dismal at this point in time.
- b. Jay Humphrey discussed there was a meeting of the Colorado River Authority of Utah on January 20th. He discussed the meeting and recommended the Board have our attorney write some comments to the BOR on behalf of EWCD about the proposed Environmental Impact Study on the Colorado River.

7. **Discussion/Approval/Denial to sell old and purchase new Office Furniture in Manager's Office**

Motion was made by Derri Jewkes and seconded by Cory Cloward to sell the current office furniture for not less than \$2,000 and to authorize manager to purchase new office furniture

up to the amount of \$9,000. Aye: Derri, Cory, Kris, Kash, Craig, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.

8. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Appointing the Secretary/Treasurer Board Position**
It was discussed now that Jay has retired there is a need for a new Secretary/Treasurer on the Board. Motion was made by Kris Payne and seconded by Craig Johanesn to nominate and appoint Monroe Magnuson as the Secretary/Treasurer. Aye: Kris, Craig, Blaine, Kash, Cory, Derri. Motion carried unanimously.
9. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Removing/Adding Signatures on the Zion's Bank Safety Deposit Box**
Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kris Payne to remove Jay Humphrey and add Monroe Magnuson, Lee McElprang, and Nacole Allen as signers on the Zion's Bank Safety Deposit Box. Aye: Craig, Kris, Cory, Kash, Blaine, Derri. Motion carried unanimously.
10. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Semi Purchase**
Manager and Dillion Walls discussed they had found and inspected a used semi with the specs the District is wanting. Motion was made by Cory Cloward and seconded by Derri Jewkes to purchase the semi presented for \$84,000. Aye: Derri, Cory, Craig, Kris, Kash, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.
11. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Transport Purchase**
Manager discussed they have found a few transport trailers worth looking at to purchase. Craig Johansen moved and Cory Cloward seconded to find and purchase a transport trailer with the features needed with a price not to exceed \$80,000. Aye: Craig, Cory, Derri, Blaine, Kris, Kash. Motion carried unanimously.
12. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Employee's to Attend a Campbell Scientific Training on February 2nd – 5th in Logan**
Manager is requesting approval to send Colton Grange and Dillion Walls to attend a Campbell Scientific training. Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kash Winn to approve the cost of the two employees attending. Aye: Craig, Kash, Blaine, Derri, Cory, Kris. Motion carried unanimously.
13. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Employee's and Board Members to Attend the Utah Water Users Workshop and Water Law & Policy Seminar March 16th – 18th in St. George**
Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kash Winn to approve the cost of the employee's and board members who want to attend the seminars. Aye: Craig, Kash, Blaine, Derri, Cory, Kris. Motion carried unanimously.
14. **Annual Open and Public Meetings Training**
Annual Open and Public Meetings Training was given. All Board members were present and attended.
15. **Annual Review and Signing of Ethical Behavior Policy and Pledge Form**
All Board Members were present and given a copy of the Ethical Conduct Policy for review and

signed the corresponding Ethical Behavior Pledge Form.

16. **Annual Review and Signing of Conflict of Interest Policy and Pledge Form**

All Board Members were present and given a copy of the Conflict of Interest Policy for review and signed the corresponding Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form.

17. **Adjourn**

Motion was made by Kris Payne to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Approved