PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
June 2, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 7:00 pm at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

Present

Scott Jensen	Jeff Richens
Ed Chavez	Micha Marrelli
Chris Haycock	Kiera Luke
Bryan Thayn	
Terry Willis	

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Scott Jensen who welcomed all in attendance. He noted that all board members were present also noting that the meeting would follow the order outlined in the agenda.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Upon invitation from Jensen, Haycock led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

POSSIBLE CONFLICTS WITH AGENDA ITEMS

There were no conflicts with agenda items.

MINUTES

The minutes of the May 19, 2026 meeting were reviewed by the Board. Willis moved to approve the minutes as written. Chavez seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Willis, Haycock, Jensen, Chavez, and Thayn.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Willis shared that the Line Maintenance department has continued working on the Emergency Response Plan, managing work orders, records, and inventory. Pat assisted with training crews on the camera inspection truck and Vactor to improve our sewer inspection and maintenance capabilities. The water crew installed a 1-inch meter for Brenda Bigelow, replaced a hydrant at the Steve Zorn residence, and completed weekly station checks. They also inspected tanks and stations and addressed maintenance items in preparation for the June 18 sanitary survey. The sewer crew continued camera inspections and Vactor operations, worked on maintenance at the Zebra Lift Station, completed monthly siphon and rectifier inspections, and prepared asphalt patches scheduled for this week. The Blue Stakes crew completed daily and emergency Blue Stakes requests, collected monthly samples and residuals, completed work orders, and assisted the water and sewer crews as needed.

Haycock reported that the Wastewater Treatment Plant Staff continue to collect samples for the State COVID-19 and measles monitoring program while maintaining normal plant operations. The crew completed repairs to the old weed sprayer to keep it operational while awaiting delivery of the new unit and has begun seasonal weed control activities. They have also resumed mowing and landscaping projects as part of a regular summer maintenance program. Operations staff continue pumping the West Facultative Basin to the East Basin and are working with engineers to provide treatment plant data needed for the Everest Group project. The crew recently participated in certification test preparation training to support professional development and operator advancement. Blaine was also pleased to report that Brian Berggren successfully passed his Grade 4 Wastewater Treatment Certification examination and Karsten Jennings successfully passed his Grade 1 Wastewater Treatment Certification examination. They also collected and performed 236 lab tests and samples for the past two weeks both for process control and for the State Discharge Monitoring Report.

Chavez shared that the Water Treatment Plant has been producing an average of 2 million gallons per day (MGD). On Monday, Price City requested supplemental water and PRWID began supplying 300 gallons per minute, increasing plant production to approximately 2.5 MGD. Staff have been troubleshooting issues with two Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs)—one serving the east flash mixer and another serving the sludge pump at the sludge building. The sludge pump VFD continues to operate intermittently and requires periodic resets. CT Electric inspected the flash mixer VFD and provided a replacement quote, which is being corrected before it is submitted for approval. The plant has experienced higher-than-normal algae levels in the river, but the ozone treatment system continues to perform well and assist with treatment. Operators have also completed maintenance projects, including repairs to LMI pumps at the sludge building and installation of a bug zapper at the sandtrap to help control mayfly populations. Additionally, the final exterior security camera has been installed, providing nearly complete surveillance coverage of the treatment plant property and diversion area.

Thayn reported that the Fleet Department continued routine preventative maintenance, fueling, greasing, and repairs on district vehicles and equipment. Water Treatment Plant lawn equipment was serviced and returned to service. Repairs to Unit #3, a 2013 Chevrolet 3500HD, are nearly complete after replacement of the A/C compressor and related components. The deslugger module is on backorder and expected to arrive June 3 for installation before the vehicle is returned to service. Seasonal grounds maintenance continued, including mowing, trimming, weed control, and cleaning a blockage from the RV Dump Station sewer manhole. At the East Maintenance Building, the mezzanine floor has been completed and Utility Room #1 is now fully finished. Crews are also installing the fluid storage and air-powered dispensing systems for oils and coolant. The department is preparing to conduct OSHA-required forklift certification training beginning June 5, 2026. The training will include classroom instruction, written testing, and hands-on evaluations and is expected to take approximately one week to complete.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Richens informed the Board that the District's attorney, who also serves as a lobbyist, has scheduled a meeting for June 30, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Commission Conference Room. He encouraged Board members to coordinate with their respective city councils and attend. Richens clarified that the gathering is not considered an open public meeting and does not require public notice. Candidates who advance through the primary election will also be invited to participate.

Richens recognized and congratulated the two employees who recently passed certification examinations. He reported that four additional employees are scheduled to take certification tests later in June. He emphasized the District's continued efforts to encourage all employees to pursue additional training, certifications, and professional development opportunities.

An update was provided on the Community Impact Board (CIB) application. Richens reported that the application has been submitted, received, and reviewed. The District is currently awaiting comments and feedback, with additional information expected sometime in August.

INTERMOUNTAIN ELECTRONICS REQUEST FOR AN MOU TIME EXTENSION

Richens reviewed the request from Intermountain Electronics (IE) for an extension to the timeline outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). He reminded the Board that previous discussions established several requirements and deadlines for IE to provide engineering and project-related information to PRWID. Since those discussions, Richens reported that IE has successfully provided updated plans and surveys; however, the company has experienced delays related to UDOT requirements concerning utility installation specifications and from supplier-related issues. Richens directed the Board's attention to the project timeline included in the meeting packet and reviewed completed milestones as well as the causes of the remaining delays. During discussion, Chavez asked whether concerns regarding the sewer line located too close to the building had been resolved. Richens confirmed that the issue had been addressed, along with minor adjustments to the associated water line. Thayn asked whether District staff had any additional recommended changes to the project, and Richens stated that no further modifications were being requested. Chavez moved to approve the requested MOU amendments and grant the extension of time. Haycock seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Willis, Haycock, Jensen, Chavez, and Thayn.

APPROVE PAYMENT FROM PROJECT EVEREST TO KELLER ASSOCIATES

Richens explained that this agenda item is related to the ongoing Project Everest feasibility study. He noted that PRWID is serving as the intermediary between Project Everest and Keller Associates for processing payments associated with the study. Marrelli has been coordinating the transactions between the parties. Richens reported that the current payment request totals $29,481.50 and has been submitted to Project Everest. Upon receipt of funds from Everest, PRWID will remit payment directly to Keller Associates. Willis moved to approve the payment from Project Everest to Keller Associates. Thayn seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Willis, Haycock, Jensen, Chavez, and Thayn.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a closed session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by a motion from Chavez which was seconded by Thayn at 7:22 pm. AYE: Willis, Haycock, Jensen, Chavez, and Thayn.

Scott Jensen

Scott Jensen, Chairman

Kim Sandoval

Kim Sandoval, Clerk