EMERY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 4, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT
LEE McELPRANG (Chair)
KASH WINN
CRAIG JOHANSEN
CORY CLOWARD
KRIS PAYNE
BLAINE JENSEN (Vice Chair)

STAFF PRESENT
NACOLE ALLEN
MONROE MAGNUSON

MEMBERS ABSENT
DERRI JEWKES

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE
CODY ALLRED, Pacifi Corp
KEVEN JENSEN, EC Commission

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, May 4, 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 Comment**
   Keven Jensen of the Emery County Commission discussed that he became aware that there's a possibility of some water rights that potentially could be used for industrial growth in the Green River area and asked about their availability of use. Craig Johansen explained that there's a process of using them because the storage right is sitting on Cottonwood Creek and there would need to be movement by the State Engineer to move the right to another drainage. Commissioner Jensen was encouraged to get on the Agenda in another meeting once more information was obtained.

3. **Possible Conflicts with Agenda Items**
   Kris Payne will abstain from voting on Agenda item number 9.

4. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of March 23, 2026 Minutes**
   Motion was made by Blaine Jensen and seconded by Kash Winn to approve the March 23, 2026 Minutes. Aye: Kris, Craig, Kash, Blaine, Cory. Absent: Derri. Motion carried.

5. **Discussion and Approval of Financial Reports and Voucher Statement**
   Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kris Payne to approve the Financial Reports and Voucher Statement from the dates of March 18, 2026 to April 28, 2026 and From check numbers 19556 - 19604. Aye: Kash, Kris, Blaine, Craig, Cory. Absent: Derri. Motion carried.

6. **Discussion of Water Report and SNOTEL Report**
   Manager discussed the Water Report and SNOTEL Report are pretty dismal.

7. **Setting and Approval of the 2026 Project Water Allocation**

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Blaine Jensen to set the 2026 Water Allocation at 100% at the Reservoir. Aye: Kris, Craig, Kash, Blaine, Cory. Absent: Derri. Motion carried.

8. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Update on the Lemon Pond Gates**

   Manager discussed two of the three gates are done.

9. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Potential Cloud Seeding Generator for Muddy Creek Irr.**

   Manager discussed that Muddy Creek requested the possibility of a Cloud Seeder on the Muddy Creek drainage. Manager reported to the Board that he looked into it and found money from the State of Utah to fully fund the Cloud Seeder. Muddy Creek agrees to pay for future maintenance and labor costs as needed.

10. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Bid Opening for the Sale of 2015 Chevy Silverado**

    Manager discussed there were 7 bids. Bids were opened in Board Meeting as follows:
    Bid 1 - $21,212.21, Bid 2 - $16,099.99, Bid 3 - $17,000, Bid 4 - $24,899, Bid 5 - $26,751, Bid 6 - $15,011, Bid 7 - $18,600. Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kash Winn to accept the high bid from Dixon Peacock of $26, 751. Aye: Kris, Craig, Kash, Blaine, Cory. Absent: Derri. Motion carried.

11. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Certified Tax Rate**

    Motion was made by Blaine Jensen and seconded by Craig Johansen to authorize Manager to accept the Certified Tax Rate as proposed. Aye: Kris, Craig, Kash, Blaine, Cory. Absent: Derri. Motion carried.

12. **Election of 2026 EWCD Officers**

    Motion was made by Kash Winn and seconded by Cory Cloward to keep officers as presently constituted. Lee McElprang – Chairman, Blaine Jensen – Vice Chairman, Monroe Magnuson – Secretary/Treasurer, Nacole Allen – Records Officer. Aye: Kris, Craig, Kash, Blaine, Cory. Absent: Derri. Motion carried.

13. **Adjourn**

    Motion was made by Blaine Jensen to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.