The Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Carbon Water Conservancy District was held Tuesday July 21, 2026 in the Downstairs Conference Room at the Carbon County Administration Building, 751 East 100 North, Price, UT 84501.

Present:
Jon Richens, Trustee, Chairman
Daniel Allen, Trustee, Vice Chairman
Keith Cox, Trustee, Treasurer
Russell Seeley, Trustee
Tyler Clark, Trustee
Gordon Odendahl, Clerk

Also Present:
R.J. Davis, Dam Tender
Janelle Jensen, Assistant Finance Director
Bryan Schmutz, USBR (Remote)
Lincoln Irvine, Carbon County

Excused:
Christian Bryner, Attorney
Doug Rasmussen, Finance Director
Derris Jones, Assistant Dam Tender

1. Open Meeting and Introduction of Guests.
   Chairman Richens opened the meeting at 3:00 PM and welcomed everyone in attendance.

2. Review and Possible Approval of Minutes from Annual Meeting on 6/16/2026.
   There were no comments or concerns about the minutes. Trustee Allen made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Cox seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

3. Dam Tenders Report – RJ Davis.
   Dam Tender RJ Davis stated the elevation of the reservoir is currently 7,605.20 ft. which is 34,059 acre-ft. of water. This correlates to 52% of usable capacity. Mr. Davis stated we are currently releasing 75 cfs from the reservoir. Mr. Davis stated the level of the reservoir is going down steadily. Chairman Richens commented about the usable capacity only being 52% to highlight the difficult water year we are having. Trustee Seeley stated that he had been at Millsite Reservoir in Emery County that morning and it was at 31% capacity, and tomorrow they are cutting off all of the irrigation water, so although the level of our reservoir is lower than normal, we are doing better than our neighbors to the south.

4. Public Comments on Matters Concerning Carbon Water Conservancy District
   Note: Public Comments will be limited to 2 Minutes per Person. Public Comments or Requests from the Public may not be voted upon by the CWCD Board at this meeting because they are not listed as Agenda Items for the current meeting.
   There were no comments from the public.

5. Discuss and Possible Approval of Q2 2026 Financial Statements - Doug Rasmussen – Janelle Jensen.
   Assistant Finance Director Jensen reviewed the Financial Statements for the 2nd Quarter of 2026. Ms. Jensen reviewed the Balance Sheet, Combined Profit & Loss Statement, Profit & Loss by Fund (Class) and the Profit and Loss Statement (Budget vs Actual). The Balance Sheet shows Current Assets are $2,570,000 and Total Assets are $4,904,670. Current Liabilities are $39,752. The total of all Liabilities

and Equity is $4,904,670 which matches the amount listed for Total Assets. The third page shows the Combined Income Statement for all funds added together showing of Total Income of $126,824. Expenses are $148,248 leaving a deficit of $14,523 for a Net Loss. Ms. Jensen noted there was recently a deposit of Property Tax Revenue from the County Treasurer of $22,000 but that deposit will be included in the 3rd Quarter Reports. She then reviewed the P&L Statements for the individual funds and Budget Comparisons. Ms. Jensen stated the G/L Detail is included with the reports as this is required quarterly. Chairman Richens noted that the Legal Fees looked high to him, but then he remembered that we had made a payment to PRWUA to share in the legal expenses for the Sanpete lawsuit, so it then made sense. Chairman Richens thanked Ms. Jensen for the reports and asked if there was anything out of the ordinary that she was aware of. Ms. Jensen stated that no, and she had also checked with Mr. Rasmussen and he did not see anything unusual either. There were no further questions concerning the financial Statements. Trustee Seeley made a motion to approve the 2nd Quarter Financial Statements as presented. Trustee Clark seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

6. Report from Audit Committee – Review and Possible Approval of Agreed Upon Procedures Report and Finalized Year End Financial Statements for 2025.

Assistant Finance Director Jensen reviewed the Agreed Upon Procedures Report which had been prepared by Aycock, Miles and Associates. She stated there were no exceptions to any matters or procedures reviewed in the report. This shows we are in compliance with the guidelines and procedures set forth by the State Auditor's Office. The process tests and reviews general procedures and requirements covering the Large Financial Survey which has been submitted to the State Auditor's Office and it matched the Final Financial Statements. Revenues, Disbursements, Cash, Meetings, Budgets, Fund Balances, Training, GRAMA, Fraud Risk Assessment, Other Compliance matters, Public Treasurers Bond and Government Fees were all reviewed and there were no exceptions. No Exceptions is as good a score as possible for this process. There were no questions concerning the report. Ms. Jensen stated there were no changes made to the Final 2025 Financial Statements since they were presented at the last Quarterly Meeting and those were used to create the Large Financial Survey which was submitted in tandem with the Agreed Upon Procedures. Trustee Cox made a motion to approve the 2025 Agreed Upon Procedures Report as presented. Trustee Seeley seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

7. Ratify Certified Tax Rate for 2026 Property Tax Revenues.

Clerk Odendahl reported that we have accepted the Certified Tax Rate which was set by the State Tax Commission based on information provided by Carbon County. The Certified Tax Rate for 2026 is .000130 which, based on the projected Property Tax Revenue would provide $279,324 in revenue to CWCD. Our budgeted tax revenue for 2026 is $258,220, so, assuming all property taxes are collected, the projected revenue would be slightly more than our budget, which is normally the case for these revenues. We are required to sign and submit a resolution to both the State Tax Commission and the County Auditor before June 30th and this has been completed. Clerk Odendahl stated since the resolution is time sensitive and has already been submitted, we just need to have the trustees ratify these actions that have already been completed, assuming all the trustees agree. Trustee Seeley stated that based on his experience there is nothing we can do to change it at this point in time and we have to accept the Certified Tax Rate as it is set anyway. Trustee Seeley stated he is comfortable

with what we had to do to sign and submit the resolution when required. Trustee Seeley made a motion that we Approve and Ratify the Certified Tax Rate of .00130 as stated. Trustee Allen seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

8. Report on Ongoing Matters or any New Business.

a. Update on Concerns with Contractors Work on Slope Protection Project and Fencing Repairs on Bridge over Spillway.

Dam Tender RJ Davis stated that he had spoken with Darrell from BODEC and they did go back and clean up better around the project and they tightened up the seams on the Chain Link Fence and it looks much better now. The welds on the Fence Repairs over the Spillway have been reinforced at the base to where it kind of looks like fins on a rocket now. It is not what was proposed on the quote, but it is what it is. They did do a better job than the last time it was repaired and it should hold up better this time. Chairman Richens asked if it was galvanized. Mr. Davis stated no, but it is primed & painted and should hold up. Trustee Cox asked if they did what was asked. Chairman Richens explained what was asked for and what was done and why the original repair was not done as originally planned due to material compatibility issues. They all agreed that there should have been better communications between CWCD and BODEC, but the contractor did go back to the site as asked, made some changes and the repairs are complete and the end result is satisfactory.

b. Update on Scofield Annual Site inspection and O&M Meeting – July 8, 2026.

Dam Tender RJ Davis reported on the Annual Site Inspection on July 8th. Mr. Davis stated there were a couple of things that Inspector Keri Stout from USBR noted that need attention. These are minor items from the previous inspection. There is some corrosion that needs to be cleaned off & painted, the Handle on the emergency Gate needs to be replaced. Mr. Davis stated he could clean the rust/corrosion off and repaint the surface with Aluminum Emissivity paint, and we could probably fabricate a new handle using galvanized all-thread. New items for this inspection are:

1. A little bit of rebar exposed on the spillway walls. Mr. Davis stated this could be repaired by pressure washing the area and covering it with grout. The protective coating on the rebar is still holding up, so if we get the rebar covered and protected, then it will prevent future problems.
2. The Stairs that are parallel to the elevation gauge have been destroyed by ice over the past number of years. This is just now becoming more evident because we are able to see the structure now due to the low level of the reservoir. Although we were aware that there was some damage, we did not know the extent of the damage and we have been unable to do much about this in past years because the stairs were underwater. The current location of the stairs is not really very user friendly or located close enough to read the gauge. Keri from USBR stated in the report the stairs should be repaired (as long as they were there). Chairman Richens stated that after discussions with Bryan and James from USBR he was wondering if we actually need the stairs. We have electronic measuring devices now that were not available when the stairs and gauge were put in. Chairman Richens stated we either need to repair and protect the stairs or abandon them and look for other ways to verify measurements.
3. Dam Tender RJ Davis stated there is some Rabbit Brush on the upstream side of the dam that was listed in the inspection as needing to be sprayed with vegetation spray to kill the plants. Mr. Davis stated he would obtain some vegetation control spray and spray the area

with a backpack sprayer. Mr. Davis stated it is best to spray in the fall, so he would take care of this in a few more months.

4. Mr. Davis stated there was some erosion near the safety berm below the dam that needs to be addressed so it doesn't become a problem.

Other than these few minor issues, Mr. Davis stated the Inspector was pleased with the condition of the dam and surrounding area. Overall, the inspection went very well.

Chairman Richens stated the Inspection was in the morning and then in the afternoon was spent on the O&M Meeting. Chairman Richens stated they talked about future plans and projects. The Gate Replacement Project has been pushed out a few years. The need to Replace the Actuators was discussed as well. James Sheridian, from USBR discussed a product called Belzona which is a 2-part epoxy type substance that could be used to build up the worn areas on the existing gate. Mr. Sheridan suggested we try this product to repair the gate. Dam Tender RJ Davis stated it would require sandblasting the gate, but it could extend the life of the gate rather than replacing the gate at this time. There was also another product that could be used to make repairs to the gate, but the installation process on one of them was much more technical than the other. We still need to look into this more and possibly get a recommendation from USBR as to which product to use.

c. Update on Progress or Possibility of Design/Installation of Flat Crested Weir Below Scofield Dam or Improvements to Calibration of USGS Flow Measuring Device.

Chairman Richens stated he was expecting that Eric Major from Jones & DeMille would be here to discuss this, but River Commissioner Derris Jones called just before today's meeting started and said he wouldn't be able to be here, so there is a possibility that there may be some challenges getting all the entities involved in this project together. At this time there is nothing to report. Chairman Richens stated that one thing discussed with Bryan and James during the O&M Meeting was funding opportunities and/or Grants. Chairman Richens stated that maybe we might need to hire an Engineering Firm and write a proposal to get funding on this project ourselves. Dam Tender Davis and Chairman Richens also discussed the possibility of applying for Grants to help fund the Gate Replacement project. Chairman Richens stated even if we had to hire an engineering firm to design and help us apply for a grant, the grant could more than offset the engineering costs as compared to the $1.2 million estimate we received from TVA.

d. Update if any on appeals or other matters concerning PRWUA Lawsuit with Sanpete County.

Chairman Richens stated Bill Butcher from PRWUA is not here today to give us an update, so there is nothing to report on this item either. Chairman Richens stated that PRWUA did in fact file the appeal that was discussed at our last meeting, but there is no further news on the appeal.

e. Update on Establishing and/or Organization of the Carbon Water Group.

Chairman Richens reported that on June 30th we did meet with representatives from many local organizations as well as current and possibly future elected officials with interests in the water issues facing our county. Chairman Richens explained to the group what CWCD can and cannot do based on prior court rulings (the same list as was previously presented to the board), and also PRWUA told the group what they can and cannot do because of current and prior court agreements. Possibly a group like what is being proposed could get involved and attempt to tackle some of these issues that CWCD or PRWUA is unable to. Chairman Richens stated there were some high horsepower individuals at the meeting and all of them were in favor of the stated purpose of the group and with forming the group. Chairman Richens reported that PRWID and

their attorney are working to put the group together as well as our Attorney Graham Gilbert has contributed some ideas as well. Chairman Richen thought the group would meet again and put some ideas together soon and try moving forward. Chairman Richens suggested that possibly in our next meeting we should designate a board member to represent CWCD in this group and become active in the Carbon Water Group as well as to report to the CWCD board on the activities of the Carbon Water Group. Trustee Seeley asked if there would be any Financial Obligations for CWCD to support the Carbon Water Group. Chairman Richens stated he assumes that all entities would need to contribute financially, but that is yet to be determined at this time. We will have to wait until the group becomes official and determines what the needs will be concerning studies, Water Smart and other needs, but Chairman Richens stated he thought this committee should be a shared effort by all entities involved, both financially and actively participating.

f. Update on status of Change Application concerning Colorado River Authority of Utah Demand Management Pilot Program and Scofield Reservoir Storage Forbearance Program.

Chairman Richens stated there is no update at this time until Bill Butcher from PRWUA or River Commissioner Derris Jones are here to report on this matter.

g. Update on Progress of TVA / USBR Regulating Gate, Actuator and Other Components Replacement Project. – Concerning Engineering, Materials, and Installation.

Chairman Richens stated the TVA Gate Replacement is on hold. Chairman Richens said he felt that we need to find a different path forward than what was proposed by TVA. He as well as other trustees and officers did not feel comfortable with handing over $1.2 million to TVA and let them complete the project with the uncertainty of what the actual final cost would be or if we would actually get money back after completion. Chairman Richens stated that as long as the Safety Gate is in good condition and if we could repair the existing gate with the Belzona product, he felt that continuing forward with the Flat Crested Wier Project would be more beneficial to all water users. Then we could be confident with the accuracy of the releases and if the regulating gate leaks a little, we still have the ability to shut off the water by using the safety gate. Chairman Richens also stated that he felt that we still need to move forward with replacing the Gate Actuators, the Support Frames and the Ladders. The Frames and Ladders are still structurally sound, but this has been a finding on all inspections since he has been on the board and the plan was always to repair those components when the gate is replaced. Now we just need to go ahead and do some cleanup and properly paint them.

h. Update on Piezometer Automation.

Chairman Richens asked Liaison Officer Bryan Schmutz from USBR if he could report on the most recent information concerning this project.

Mr. Schmutz said the he had spoken with Eric Peterson who leads the Automation Group in the Provo Office. He said Eric is in the process of compiling the parts list and he is working with James Sheridan on this because he had questions on some of the Piezometers. Once Eric gets the parts list completed and estimated labor costs, he will submit the application to the Dam Safety Group in Denver who will ultimately be the ones to approve the project. So, the project is still moving forward. Mr. Schmutz also reported that as of the first of July, the parts order for the CCTV Surveillance Project at Scofield Dam has been awarded to a parts supplier. Once all the parts have been received, Eric said the plan is to install the parts and complete the project sometime this fall. Chairman Richens thanked Mr. Schmutz for the updates.

i. Report on updated progress – Price River Water Resources Committee.

Trustee Seeley reported that Carbon Canal is back in for the Lower Basin Reservoir Project. Carbon Canal was originally part of the project, then they were out, and now they are back in supporting the project. Trustee Seeley stated he was not sure why, but they were back in the project and he felt that is a good thing for the project. Trustee Seeley, stated that this still does not solve the financial hurdles involved with the project, but everyone present agreed it is a good thing to have the largest canal company back supporting the project.

9. Unfinished or New Business Matters.
   Chairman Richens asked if there was any further business to discuss. Trustee Cox stated that he felt the last two monthly meetings where training by Dave Horsley from Utah Division of Water Rights and River Commissioner Derris Jones were beneficial. Trustee Cox asked if there were plans for future training or educational meetings. Chairman Richens stated we were planning a tour of Scofield Dam in August and Dam Tender RJ Davis would conduct the tour. The meeting was scheduled for Tuesday August 18th and we will meet at the dam at 3:00 PM. Chairman Richens noted that while we are there at the dam, maybe we could all look at the damaged stairs noted as one of the items listed in the recent inspection and maybe if we all out our heads together we could come up with some type of solution to solve the current problems. Ideas put forward included attaching a handrail to the current gauge, relocating the gauge to the boat ramp and installing redundant sensors.

10. Adjourn Meeting.
    There was no further business to discuss. Trustee Clark made a motion to Adjourn the meeting. Chairman Richens declared the meeting closed at 3:45 PM.

Chairman

Vice Chairman