

PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

July 20, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

PRESENT

Keith Cox Jeff Richens
Rick Davis Micha Marrelli
Gary Harwood Kendra Seeley
Scott Jensen Shelly Bird
Paula Noyes

EXCUSED

Chairman Cox took a few moments to introduce Shelly Bird as the new Board Recorder that will begin service as of August 3, 2021, and to introduce the Board of Trustees and who they represent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Cox asked attendees to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONFLICT WITH AGENDA ITEMS

There were no conflicts with agenda items.

MINUTES

Chairman Cox asked for input or corrections to the minutes of the July 6, 2021 meeting. Harwood motioned to accept the minutes as written. Jensen seconded and the motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Jensen, Noyes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Harwood reported that the fleet crew did regular maintenance on the vehicles. Unit #25, the waste water treatment plant truck was damaged, but none of the staff knows when the damage happened. It could have been in a parking lot in town. Lawn maintenance is ongoing. The slurry seal project bids are scheduled to be opened on July 30, 2021 and a recommendation for award will come before the Board for the August 3rd meeting. This is a budgeted item.

Noyes had nothing to report.

Jensen reported that at the waste water plant, Covid-19 sampling is ongoing. The south primary clarifier was cleaned. Lawn maintenance is ongoing. The tunnel expansion joint seams were repaired.

Davis reported that the line crew moved top soil next to the administration building. The fire hydrants testing is almost complete. The loaner sewer camera had issues and is being repaired. Pump #2 at the Pinnacle lift station was cleaned. Leaks and meters were repaired as necessary.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Richens reported on the back-washing process happening at the water treatment plant and the coordination of the back washing with the pump stations throughout the system. Multiple projects are out for bid which will potentially be awarded at the next meeting.

PRICE RIVER DISTRIBUTION PRESENTATION

Richens gave the Price River Distribution presentation and there was discussion on water distribution of the river system, reservoir level, and remaining water available for the year.

SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

This item is to set the date for the public hearing on the water conservation plan. This public hearing is for the public to comment on the plan. After some discussion, Davis motioned to set the date of the public hearing for August 17, 2021 and advertise it. Harwood seconded and the motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Jensen, Noyes.

UTILITY COST SOLUTIONS PROPOSAL

This item is to have a company look at potential cost savings on utilities and whether costs are raising over time. This was done in the past and money was saved. The company will look at this for Rocky Mountain Power and Dominion Energy and if approved, they would take 50% of the savings. The Board discussed whether this made sense or not. After some discussion, Harwood motioned to approve the Utility Cost Solutions proposal and have the company look at these utility costs. Jensen seconded and the motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Jensen, Noyes.

SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL REVIEW

The second quarter financial review was presented and discussed. Each department was within budget at the end of the second quarter. Revenue sources are a few percentage points below estimations, but are expected to increase in the second half of the year.

CLOSED MEETING SESSION

There were no items for a closed meeting session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was discussion about the Posse ground land swap proposal from the last meeting and Davis gave clarification from Price City. This item will be brought to a future meeting. There was discussion on company parties and retirement parties. Lorvin Cottam has submitted his resignation for October 31, 2021. There was discussion about the money that was held by the Carbon Water Committee, who were signatory to the accounts, and how the Conservancy District is working on either returning the money to each entity that contributed or how to expend it.

As there was no further unfinished business at 8:22, Davis motioned to adjourn. Noyes seconded and the motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Davis, Harwood, Jensen, Noyes.



Keith Cox, Chairman



Jaci Adams, Clerk