# PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT February 1, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 7:02 p.m. at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

**PRESENT** 

**EXCUSED** 

Keith Cox

Micha Marrelli

Gary Harwood

Shelly Bird

Rick Davis

John Singleton

Scott Jensen

Jeff Richens, by speaker phone

William Barney Zauss

Chairman Cox welcomed everyone to Board Meeting and noted all Board Members were present. Jeff Richens was excused from the meeting but attended by speaker phone.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Harwood led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### OATH OF OFFICE

New Wellington City Board Representative, William Barney Zauss, introduced himself. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves to Barney and welcome him to the Board. Micha swore in William Barney Zauss with the Oath of Office to the PRWID Board.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

### POSSIBLE CONFLICT WITH AGENDA ITEMS

There were no conflicts with Agenda Items

#### **MINUTES**

Chairman Cox asked for input or corrections to the minutes of the January 18, 2022 Board Meeting. Harwood brought to the Board's attention that Blaine's name was misspelled. Correction was noted. Harwood motioned to approve the minutes. Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Harwood, Davis, Jensen, Zauss

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Gary: Blaine reports that Covid sampling is continuing. VanCon is continuing to work daily. The storage room and lab are being cleaned and organized. The tank drain pumps have had the backflush valves replaced. The new employee is continuing to be trained. 197 lab tests were collected.

Rick: Troy reported that they completed the drive gear, bull gear, and the wear shoe replacement on the left side of the Chain of Flight System. Parts for the cross collector on the side and wear strips for the basin still need to be ordered. The backwash blower has not been able to be replaced yet, but the demand has increased due to some leaks. They do have a new backwash

blower on hand. Crews have repaired several leaks and are in the process of repairing a crack in the fiberglass where the fiberglass launders attach to the inflow trough.

Scott: Beau reported that they attended a sewer training. Some leaks have been repaired and a frozen meter box was replaced with a new one. Monthly samples are being taken. The crew is overhauling PRV's, reading meters and completing maintenance. Permanent pressure gages are being installed in some of the PRV boxes and that are checked every month.

Barney will be over the Fleet department. He will receive reports from Tony Mower, summarize them and report the information at Board Meeting.

## MANAGER'S REPORT

Jeff: The Legislative Session has a lot of bills coming out regarding special districts. Because the Water district is part of the Utah Association of Special Districts, they can offer input as to how new legislation can affect them. Last meeting Rick reported he had spoken with Representative Christine Watkins about a bill she has proposed. Because of the efforts of many Special Districts in the State, the bill has changed. There is no longer language in the bill that will impose a new fee on customers of retail water suppliers. It will be funded out of the general fund of the State of Utah. Representative Watkins also has another bill which will give greater protection to water infrastructure for canals, secondary piping and culinary systems. It will impose greater fees, fines and penalties for private citizens who knowingly damage any of the facilities. The bill will cover those who illegally tap on to a secondary system or a culinary system. There will be a report with more information by the next meeting on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

# **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

- A. Waterworks Engineers Invoice Payment: Per Jeff there is an invoice in the packet for \$30,827.50. This is for engineering work completed on the Nutrient Project at the Waste Water Plant. Gary motioned to pay Waterworks \$30,827.50. Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Harwood, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.
- B. VanCon Chain and Flight Payment: This is for work and materials at the WTP to date. This is not the final bill. They are still waiting on materials for the electricians to put in the control panels and associated equipment. Davis motioned to authorize payment of \$52,250.00 for the WTP Chain of Flight to VanCon. Harwood seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Harwood, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.
- C. VanCon Nutrient Project Payment: This is for materials and installation for the Nutrient Project for the work which has been completed to date. A change order will be coming probably at the next meeting. Jensen motion to pay VanCon \$228,673.37 for the materials and labor at the Sewer Plant. Harwood seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously as follows: AYE: Cox, Harwood, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

There were no items for a closed session.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Jeff tested positive on Monday for Covid. He is required by public health to quarantine for five days, then he will be back to work wearing a mask for five more days.

Harwood motioned to adjourn the meeting. Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried. AYE: Cox, Harwood, Davis, Jensen, Zauss. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Keith W. Cox, Chair Board of Trustees