# PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT July 5, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

**PRESENT** 

Jeff Richens

**EXCUSED** 

Keith Cox Rick Davis

Shelly Bird Micha Marrelli

Scott Jensen Barney Zauss

Chairman Cox welcomed everyone to Board Meeting and noted all Board Members present. Helper City has not appointed a new Board Member at this time.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

## POSSIBLE CONFLICT WITH AGENDA ITEMS

There were no conflicts with Agenda Items

#### **MINUTES**

Chairman Cox asked for input to the minutes of the June 21, 2022 Board Meeting. As there were no corrections or additions, Davis moved to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2022 meeting. Jensen seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss

### DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Rick reported the plant is still running an average of 3.5 million gallons per day. Price City is being supplied 300 gallons per minute. The amount of chemicals for treating the water has been increased due to the recent storms. They are being somewhat conservative because it has been difficult to purchase some of the chemicals. If they continue to have problems ordering, they will seek other sources. Pricing for the new septic tank and drain field is being acquired. The sand trap continues to be hosed out.

Scott reported the line crew has sent out bids for the drain field at the water plant. Work is being completed on the concrete at the WWP. Meters have been read, repaired and a new one set. A leak was repaired on the line at the Kenilworth tank. Crews were able to clean debris out of a spring at the golf course, clean Pinnacle lift station road and repair a leak in the service line to the yard hydrant. They also performed work with the sewer cleaning truck and camera on 1000 South in Price. Grass has been removed from the water plant for the drain field. Crews are preparing to replumb the north hospital box. Syphons have been checked, bacteria samples and month-end residuals were taken.

Barney reported the 2022 Explorer is expected sometime in August. The 2011 F250 truck is still waiting to have the brake system repaired. WTP backhoe has a leak and the parts are on order. The district now has the Polaris UTV and the snow plow on site.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

Richens reported the Blackhawk Developers are moving forward and it its rumored that they are marketing the water shares that they will not need. The District informed Blackhawk that 32 more connections on the current tank and pump system will be allowed. Discussion was held regarding future water fees, pump stations and other concerns for this development. Blackhawk also will need to do a sewer analysis. Jeff has been working with Frandsen Engineering to get information for their study. Kim Wood, the district's new receptionist who started last Wednesday, is doing well and catching on quickly.

### **EMPLOYEE CHANGE OF STATUS**

Talon Nelson has completed six months of employment at the WWP. Blaine is very pleased with Talon and is recommending that he be advanced from probationary status to permanent status. Davis moved to change the employment status for Talon Nelson from probationary to permanent. Zauss seconded and the motion passed unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.

## WELLINGTON WATER SERVICE AGREEMENT

This is an addendum to the Agreement and is found in the board packet. They want to ensure that PRWID will provide drinking water needs to Wellington for the next 30 years and the number of connections will not specifically be limited. Discussion was held regarding the parameters of the agreement update. Zauss moved to amend the water service agreement with Wellington City. Jensen seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.

#### **ADVERTISE FOR AUDITOR SERVICES**

The contract with Smuin, Rich, Marsing, and Rasmussen will be completed at the end of this year. District staff is recommending that a Request For Proposal for auditing services be sent out to several firms as we have been with SRMR for the last eight years. Discussion was held as to what advertising entails. Zauss moved to advertise for audit services. Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.

### **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

A. Replacement asphalt flat-plate compactor

Bids are in the packet with the information regarding parts, repair and replacement. Due to the age, condition and cost to repair the old Wacker, Tony is recommending the District purchase a new replacement plate compactor from A-1 Rental. Jensen moved to purchase the compactor from A-1 Rentals for \$2500.00. Zauss seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.

# B. WTP septic system expenditures

The packet contains bids from three different suppliers. The District is recommending Mountain Land as they are the less expensive. The price of \$3,992.00 will drop to about \$2,330.00 with the purchase of a 500-gallon septic tank instead of a 1,000-gallon tank. Gravel and fabric will still need to be purchased. Jensen moved to approve Mountain Land to supply materials for the WTP septic tank in the amount of \$2,330.00. Zauss seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

There were no items for a closed session.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The next board packet may not be out until Monday, July 18. The line crew position has been advertised for the last 10 days and will close on July 8. There have been no applications so far. Scott suggested maybe having an agenda item for a future meeting regarding ideas as to how to attract new employees.

Davis motioned to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Keith Cox, Chairman

Kim Wood Clerk