

PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
February 7, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 7:02 pm at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

PRESENT

Keith Cox
Rick Davis
Scott Jensen
William Barney Zauss
Lenise Peterman

EXCUSED

Jeff Richens
Micha Marelli
Shelly Bird

Chairman Cox welcomed everyone to Board Meeting and noted all Board Members are present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- Davis led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

POSSIBLE CONFLICT WITH AGENDA ITEMS

There were no conflicts with Agenda Items.

MINUTES

Chairman Cox asked for input to the minutes of the January 17, 2023 Board Meeting. As there were no corrections or additions, Peterman moved to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2023 meeting. Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss and Peterman.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Peterman reported the WWTP is continuing to perform Covid 19 sampling. VanCon is working on a daily basis. Snow removal is continuing. Two water lines in the tunnel need to be replaced. Blaine is obtaining quotes for the next Board Meeting. 390 lab test samples have been collected.

Davis reported that Tony has sent out invitations for bid requests for the new truck to the six Utah State contract dealers. This truck will replace the 2004 Ford. These bids will be presented to the Board on March 7, 2023. The window and parts have arrived for the WTP backhoe and will be repaired soon. The John Deere lawn mower was posted on public surplus and, so far, there is a \$1,475.00 bid on it. The Vactor is out of service while it is being repaired. Tony is doing CDL training and so he is getting all of the information to make sure it is being done correctly. The training is pretty extensive as it is an 80-hour class with a test given in-house. Then another test is given at the DMV. Work is being done on the preventative maintenance books. Davis presented answers to the questions that were asked by the Board regarding the new building. The visitor area will have adequate signs inside and outside of the building on fencing and railings. Two bathrooms

are necessary to have in the building and the height that is being requested is also necessary so that trucks can properly be worked on.

Zauss reported the water plant is running 1.5 million gallons of water per day with two shifts all week and a 12-hour shift on Saturday and Sunday. Currently PRWID is receiving 400 gallons per minutes from Price City. The crews have been busy with several small projects. Richens explained the Consumer Confidence Report to the Board.

Jensen reported that quotes for one of the Questar pumps has been received. The pump in the pump catalog was \$1,644.00 and it was in stock so it was purchased and has been received and installed. Crews have been busy plowing snow, repairing leaks, reading and setting meters. They have installed a fire hydrant and also overhauled the PRV that serves Pillings Trailer Park and that neighborhood. The backflow devices at the water plant were tested. The fire hydrant books are being worked on. Samples were taken for February. RootEx has been applied to part of the Carbonville sewer line.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Richens reported the hotel rooms that had previously been booked for the Water Law conference were moved to a different hotel. The Board previously had been informed that the Carbon Canal had filed to bank water and PRWID protested it because the District has winter and summer water rights use. Those have been pulled from the application, but the process has triggered a review by the State Engineers. The payments PRWID has made in past years and other information has been sent to the State. The summer right 91-5098 is a direct flow right and Water Rights is finding there is not enough water for the direct flow right after June 10. Everything in the past will be left as is, but going forward, reservoir water will be needed. PRWID is getting calls about leasing water. It is expected that the reservoir will spill, because of this, it may be a good year for PRWID to lease water. Kody Henric, who has been employed less than a month, gave his two-week notice. Beau would like to offer the job to the candidate who was next in line. The Board agreed for Beau to proceed and to have it be ratified at next Board Meeting. The recruitment policy needs to be rebuilt for the future. Richens went over the snowpack and precipitation report with the Board. Rural Community Consultants, who are preparing the Carbon County pre-disaster mitigation plan, contacted Richens. PRWID is now part of that plan. The work which is being done above the plant up to the backwash tank is not quite complete. The work is progressing well and the goal is to finish before the runoff starts. Richens gave each Board Member a tracking sheet for the legislative bills from UASD. The Legislative Session Summary was reviewed with the Board.

APPROVE BOARD POLICY – ELECTRONIC BOARD MEETING POLICY

This is the policy with the corrections that were suggested at the last meeting. The biggest change is in the case of an electronic meeting where all business will require a voice roll call from all Board members, whether physically present at the meeting or attending the meeting electronically. Peterman moved to adopt the Electronic Board Meeting Policy. Zauss seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss and Peterman.

REVIEW BOARD POLICY – MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

This policy will inform new Board Members as to how the Board governs, expectations and specific information. The Board was asked to look over it and make any needed changes. It is for information only at tonight's meeting.

WWTP NUTRIENT PROJECT

A. Review and approve Change Order #5

This change order is needed to rework the draft tubes on the South digester mixers as more corrosion and thin walls were discovered. The engineer is recommending to do the work needed and it will be a change in the amount of \$10,888.00. Jensen moved to approve change order #5 to VanCon in the amount of \$10,888.00. Davis seconded and the motion passed unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss and Peterman.

B. Review and Approve Payment Application #15

This is for the work that has been completed. There are a few odds and ends left to do. Current payment due is \$29,450.00 and includes all the work through January 31, 2023. Zauss moved to pay Vancon \$29,450.00. Jensen seconded and the motion passed unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss and Peterman.

ACCEPT WATER FACILITY DEED

The water system has been extended to accommodate the new medical facility. The owner of the facility is ready to have it turned over to PRWID for operation and maintenance and PRWID accepts it by a water facility deed. Jensen moved to accept the facility deed. Zauss seconded and the motion passed unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss and Peterman.

EAST PROPERTY BUILDING DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL

This is a follow up from the building discussion from last meeting. Answers to questions from the Board were reviewed and answered. Richens would like authorization to send the drawings to CO Building so they may design the building. Then the project can be brought before the Board for approval to advertise. Zauss moved to send the drawings out to be designed. Davis seconded and the motion passed unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss, and Peterman.

WWTP TRAINING CLASS – ALL THINGS PUMPS

Blaine would like to send Jake Gray, Brian Berggren and Karsten Jennings to a training class in South Salt Lake at South Valley Sewer District. The class cost is \$45.00 each, which includes lunch. It is a one-day class and they will travel up the day of the class. Peterman moved to approve that the three candidates attend the WWTP training class. Jensen seconded and the motion passed unanimously. AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss and Peterman.

CLOSED SESSION

There were no items for a closed session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Peterman reported that Helper City was awarded a grant from the Division of Drinking Water. They will be implementing a SCADA system. They would like to piggy back on PRWID's internet access at the water plant as they have no way to connect to the internet in the canyon. She will bring more information back to a future board meeting. Zauss questioned who does the CDL training. Richens informed that the fleet department, Tony and Zeph do the training. Zauss was concerned how long these employees will stay with PRWID and will the process need to be started over again. Richens informed that they are designing the classes and assured that Tony has 5+ years and Zeph has at least 15 years before they would retire.

Davis moved to adjourn meeting at 8:14 p.m. Jensen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
AYE: Cox, Davis, Jensen, Zauss and Peterman.



Keith Cox, Chairman



Kim Wood, Clerk