# PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT November 19, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

**PRESENT** 

EXCUSED

Keith Cox

Jeff Richens

Scott Jensen

Ed Chavez

Micha Marrelli

Kim Wood

Rick Davis

Barney Zauss

Chairman Cox welcomed all in attendance to the meeting noting all Board Members are present with the exception of Scott Jensen who is excused and he also excused Kim Wood from the meeting.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Davis led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

# POSSIBLE CONFLICT WITH AGENDA ITEMS

There were no conflicts with Agenda Items.

### **MINUTES**

The Chairman asked for input to the minutes of the November 5, 2024 board meeting. Chavez moved to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2024 meeting as written. Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Chavez, Davis, and Zauss.

### DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Zauss reported that the Wastewater Department continues to sample for COVID for the state, they repaired the aerator for the facultative sludge basin, repaired an interior waterline in the laboratory, and they are pumping water from the FSBs to the west fields before the ground freezes. In the last two weeks they took and tested 238 samples for process control and monitoring.

Chavez reported that the Line Maintenance Department completed the middle and beginning of the month Bac-T and residual samples, had an emergency request to turn the water off for a resident in Circle K, replaced the hour meter in the Questar Pumphouse and located a sewer lateral for a contractor. Several employees attended free training for education units, replaced a leaking saddle on 6800 South, and they have started the maintenance on the siphons and air-vacs throughout the District.

Davis reported that the Water Treatment Plant has suspended graveyard shifts and only are scheduling one shift on Saturday and Sunday due to the reduction in water use. They are cycling the feed to the various tanks to keep the water fresh and moving as much as possible, working on propane heaters throughout the plant, and cleaning and painting areas of the plant as the winter season begins. They are still waiting for Rocky Mountain Power to fix the fluctuation in the incoming power supply, waiting for a technician to work on the LimiTork controls, and crews are working to adjust the influent gates at the diversion.

### MANAGER'S REPORT

Richens reported that Intermountain Electronics was not yet ready to present the requested information, but plan to come before the Board on December 17, 2024. The Spring Glen Canal is requesting a letter of support for the Bucket 2E Project, a voluntary water leasing to improve in-stream flows for drought mitigation and habitat improvements. The subcontractor for the concrete for the East Maintenance Building has completed the footers concrete pour. Staff has discussed water delivery with Price City in the event they begin construction on their spring line replacement or water plant upgrade. Staff estimates that the District can serve our full-time customers and deliver up to 900 gpm. to the City so long as the quality of the river is good and all components of the plant are online.

### APPROVE PURCHASE OF REFRIGERATED COMPOSITE SAMPLER FOR THE WWTP

The WWTP is requesting to purchase a replacement influent refrigerated composite sampler at the wastewater treatment plant. Because of the sulfide gases present in this area, many components corrode quickly. This unit is expected to last longer with sealed components. Three quotes were requested from vendors, but only two have responded. Zauss moved to approve the purchase from the low bidder for the refrigerated composite sampler from HACH in the amount of \$9,415.61. Chavez seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Chavez, Davis, and Zauss.

# REVIEW DRAFT OF 2025 ANNUAL BUDGET

Marrelli prepared draft copies of the proposed 2025 budget for review, questions, and comments by the Board. Several questions and comments were made by various board members and discussed. It was decided that all board members will review the proposed budget before the next meeting and return with question. As this was a discussion item only, no position was taken on any of the items.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Richens confirmed that the Cowboy Club is reserved for the District's Christmas lunch on December 10, 2024 at noon. He also reminded the board members that the public hearing for possibly opening and adjusting the 2024 budget and adopting the 2025 budget will be held on December 17, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Davis moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Zauss seconded the non-debatable motion.

Keith Cox, Chairman

Kim Wood, Clerk