

PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
June 4, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

PRESENT

Ed Chavez
Rick Davis
Scott Jensen
Barney Zauss

Micha Marelli
Kim Wood

EXCUSED

Keith Cox
Jeff Richens

Vice-Chairman Davis welcomed those in attendance to the meeting noting those who were excused 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 any Agenda Items.

MINUTES

The Vice-Chair asked for input to the minutes of the May 21, 2024 board meeting. Chavez moved to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2024 meeting as written. Jensen seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Chavez, Davis, Jensen and Zauss.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Chavez reported that they hauled 4 loads of fill dirt to fill in a hole at the WTP. They returned the trench box from the leak at the WTP when they were done, they worked on the drain line on the East property, helped fix a leak on Fairgrounds Rd, and fixed a leaking valve at the WTP. Crews fixed a leak in the Coal Creek vault, laid pipe in the drain line on the East property, took end of the month residuals, vacuumed out the two basins for the WWTP, and took the first of the month Bac T samples for June.

Jensen reported that Unit #19, the 2021 Ford F350, had a front left crank seal leak. They needed a special tool to remove the harmonic balancer, but as they have three other trucks with the same issue, they ordered the tool. The International dump truck air conditioner quit working. Parts have been ordered and will be installed when they get here. The Sullivan air compressor needed new tires, so the tires were removed, rims were sandblasted and painted, and new tires installed, so it is back in service. #4 Case backhoe would not shift into first or third gear. They found a linkage that had failed, fixed it, and it is back in service. They finished painting the parking lot lines. Annual safety inspections are due on all commercial vehicles. Crews made a 40ft cleaning hose for cleaning culverts to fit the vector.

Zauss reported that they continue to sample for COVID in the wastewater, and are spraying for weeds around the property. They have taken 285 samples for process control and for the state reports. They also repaired and started the north primary clarifier, and continue to work on the wireless communications throughout the plant.

Davis reported the water plant is averaging 2.5 million gallons a day. They repaired a leak on the solids return line by the front gate, installed a security camera at the diversion and can now monitor the river even in storms. They sprayed the diverter that has been built and installed on the sand trap rotating debris screen. The power supply for the PLC at the sludge building failed and a new one has been installed and works now.

MANAGER'S REPORT

None- Richens was excused and nothing was prepared and left for meeting.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE TIER II EMPLOYEE URS CONTRIBUTION

Attached to the board packet is a list of the Tier II and Tier I employees, their dates of hire, their current wages, and what the cost of an additional 0.7% to their current wages will be. The District cannot contribute additional funds to the URS in behalf of the employees, but the District can increase their take-home pay to offset that amount that will be held from their check and sent to URS. It is important to note that this situation with URS has no impact or bearing on the Tier I employees. The board discussed different options about how to address this issue for the Tier II employees. They asked questions to Micha about different options. The board decided to table this discussion until the June 18th meeting to try to answer some questions to make this fair for both Tier II and Tier I employees. Zauss moved to table the Tier II URS contribution decision until June 18th. Jensen seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Chavez, Davis, Jensen and Zauss.

REVIEW PROPOSED UPDATED RECORDS ACCESS AND MANAGEMENT POLICY

Because this GRAMA request that was recently fulfilled was the first request in many years, we had not reviewed the recent changes or modifications in state code that affects this rule. Attached is a proposed updated policy for the board to review and discussion. This can be brought forward to the next meeting for further discussion as it is lengthy and not time sensitive. The board reviewed the document but had questions about which items were changed. They decided to table the discussion until the June 18th agenda and Richens' return. The board requests that Richens emails the changes to them before next meeting.

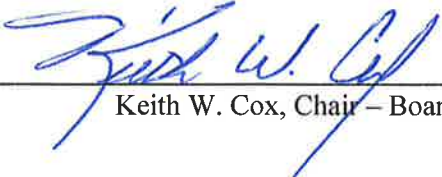
CLOSED SESSION

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jensen talked about information that he received from Richens last meeting about the amount of water that it takes to run the system. He has questions and would like to discuss it more.

Chavez moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. Zauss seconded the non-debatable motion.



Keith W. Cox, Chair – Board of Trustees



Kim Wood, Clerk