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MINUTES

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD

195 North 1950 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84116

June 26, 2019

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Grant	Gregg Galecki
Steven Earley	Scott Baird
James Webb	Emily Niehaus (On Phone)
Brandon Gordon	James VanDerslice
Mike Luers	

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Beers	Kate Fickas	Brenda Johnson
Chris Bittner	Erica Gaddis	John Mackey
Jim Bowcutt	Jodie Gardberg	Jerry Rogers
Emily Cantón	James Harris	Kim Shelley
Marsha Case	Elise Hinman	Jake Vander Laan
Scott Daly	Ken Hoffman	
Skyler Davies	Ben Holcomb	

OTHERS PRESENT

Name	Organization Representing
Mitch Hogsett	Forsgren/ULWQS
Tim Bagshaw	Holland & Hart
Riley Astill	Kearns Improvement District
Greg Anderson	Kearns Improvement District
Pamela Gill	Kearns Improvement District
Marian Rice	Salt Lake City DPO
Cory Pierce	Spanish Fork City
David Barlow	TSSD
Jay Olsen	UDAF
Kelly Pehrson	UDAF

Name (continued)	Organization Representing
Eric Ellis	ULC
Judy Sims	Utah State University
Ron Sims	Utah State University
Brian Cowan	Weber-Morgan Health Department
Alex Buxton	Zions/Kearns Improvement District
Japheth McGee	Zions/Kearns Improvement District

Ms. Grant called the Board meeting to order at 8:30 AM and took roll call for the members of the Board and audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 22, 2019 MEETING

Motion: **Mr. Galecki moved to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2019 meeting. Mr. Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

National Level

- Dr. Gaddis gave an update on the 401 Water Quality Certification program. On June 10, 2019 the EPA released new guidelines for the 401 certification program. The general recommendation is for a process and timelines that Utah already follows. The EPA has recommended that the timeline begin when the applicant first submits the application and the process should be finished in one year from the first submittal.

State Level

- Dr. Gaddis updated the WQ Board on Harmful Algal Blooms. A warning has been issued for Calder Reservoir and Provo Bay on Utah Lake. Earlier this summer there was a warning issued for Saratoga Springs on Utah Lake.
- Division staff are in the process of reviewing Utah Lake Algal Treatment RFPs.
- Dr. Gaddis gave an update on the MWPP survey. There were 100 facilities that participated in the survey. This is an increase in participation from previous years.
 - Dr. Gaddis asked the WQ Board if they would like a work meeting to discuss the MWPP data that was presented in 2018. The WQ Board agreed that they would like to have guidance on how the larger storm water and municipal wastewater programs can be combined.

Division Level

- Elise Hinman, a new employee in the Watershed Protection Section, was introduced to the Board. She is serving as the Weber River and Uinta Basin Watershed Coordinator.
- Kate Fickas, a new employee in the Standards and Technical Services Section, was introduced to the Board. She is the new biological assessment and HAB coordinator.

FUNDING REQUESTS

Financial Report: Mr. Rogers updated the Water Quality Board on the Loan Funds and Hardship Grant Funds, as indicated in the packet.

Kearns Improvement District Request for Construction Assistance Authorization: Mr. Hoffman presented the KID request for assistance in the form of a loan from the Utah Water Quality Board in the amount of \$4,595,000 for construction of a new sewer lift station and sewer collection lines in support of community growth

Motion: Mr. Galecki moved to approve the KID request for Construction Assistance Authorization in the amount of \$1.414 million at the interest rate of 1.62%. Mr. Earley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote with Mr. Webb, Ms. Grant and Mr. Gordon opposing the request.

Request to Amend the Utah Lake Water Quality Board Grant: Mr. Daly presented the recommendation to the Board to amend the Utah Lake Water Quality Study (ULWQS) Board grant made to the Division of Water Quality to redirect \$385,608.29 from DWQ to three near-term research projects.

Motion: Mr. Luers moved to approve the staff recommendation to redirect \$385,608.29 from the Division of Water Quality to the three near-term research projects. Mr. Gordon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

RULE MAKING

Request for Adoption of Amendments to R317-1, Definitions and General Requirements and R317-2, Standards of Quality for Waters of the State: Mr. Bittner presented the recommendation that the Water Quality Board adopt the amendments as proposed in the April 1, 2019 Bulletin as a Board Order with an effective date of July 1, 2019.

Motion: Mr. VanDerslice moved to approve the Board Order (attachment 1) as noted in the packet. Mr. Earley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote. Mr. Luers recused himself because of a conflict.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sudweeks Award Presentation: Mr. Beers presented the 2019 Calvin K. Sudweeks Award to Ms. Judy Sims of Utah State University.

State Nonpoint Source Program Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2019: Mr. Bowcutt presented the Annual NPS Programmatic Report to the Water Quality Board.

Public Comments:

- No public comments.

Meeting Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Gordon moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Luers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

To listen to the full recording of the Board meeting go to: <http://www.utah.gov/pmn/index.html>

Next Meeting – August 28, 2019

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Jennifer Grant, Chair
Utah Water Quality Board