MINUTES

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
UTHAH WATER QUALITY BOARD

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and
Via Zoom

March 23, 2022
8:30 am Board Meeting

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Carly Castle         Trevor Heaton
Steven Earley       Mike Luers
Brandon Gordon      Kim Shelley
Michela Harris      James Webb

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
Jennifer Berjikian  Andrea Kilbane
Paul Burnett        John Mackey
Harry Campbell      George Meados
Emily Canton        Glen Lischeske
Krystol Carfaro     Leanna Littler-Woolf
Eric Castrejon      Meg Osswald
Skyler Davies       Jen Robinson
Erica Gaddis        Danny Ryan
Jodi Gardberg       Lonnie Shull
Dan Griffin         Jeff Studenka
Clanci Hawks        Sarah Ward
Samantha Heusser    Susan Woeppel
Ken Hoffman         Beth Wondimu
David Jamison       Yan Yan
Brenda Johnson

OTHERS PRESENT
Soren Simonson      Jordan River Commission
Nakeasha Scovill    Staker Parson Companies
Dustyn Shaffer      Sunrise Engineering (Big Water)
Brandon Heidelberger Central Valley WRF
Mr. Earley called the Meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

ROLL CALL
Mr. Earley took roll call for the members of the Board and audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 23, 2022 BOARD MEETING
Motion: Mr. Webb moved to approve the amended minutes adding Kim Shelley as present at the February 23, 2022 Board meeting.

Mr. Heaton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT
Dr. Gaddis addressed the Board with the following updates.

National
- Waters of the United States (WOTUS)
  - Rulemaking continues to be discussed
  - WQ hosting a regional concepts workshop in August 2022
- EPA
  - Cyber security concerns regarding water and wastewater utilities around the country associated with the war in Ukraine

Water Quality Core Program
- Funding/Engineering
  - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
    - $5 million - West Weber sewer extension
    - $30 million – Utah Lake Preservation Program
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)  
- State supplemental funds  
- Emerging containments  
- Storm water grants

Intended Use Plan (IUP)  
- State Revolving Funds (SRF) based capitalization grant  
- Supplemental BIL funding

Water Quality Board April work meeting  
- Discuss ARPA and BIL funds  
- Asset Management Rulemaking (HB269 Capital Assets Related to Water)  
  - Asset management for all water and wastewater utilities in the state  
  - Water Quality, Drinking Water and Water Resources Boards tasked with Rulemaking action to define asset management  
  - Clean Water Needs survey completed by all state water utilities within 1 year

Integrated Report  
- 2022 Integrated Report approved by EPA on March 8, 2022

Standards and Technical Services  
- Request for Proposal for Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) treatment  
- Gilbert Bay in the Great Salt Lake salinity concerns

Division Management  
- Staff Introductions  
  - Daniel Ryan, Spills Coordinator with Compliance & Enforcement  
  - Paul Barnett, Non-Point Source Coordinator with Standards & Technical Services  
  - David Jamison, Permit Writer, with Individual Permitting  
  - Andrea Kilbane, 401Water Quality Coordinator with General Permitting  
  - Ellen Bailey, Field Coordinator with Monitoring & Reporting  
  - Marshall Baillie, Field Coordinator with Monitoring & Reporting

**FUNDING REQUESTS**

**Financial Report:** Ms. Carfaro updated the Water Quality Board on the Loan Funds and Hardship Grant Funds as indicated in the packet.

**Central Valley Water Reclamation Facility (CVWRF) - Bond Indenture Modification Authorization:** Mr. Davies presented the Board with a request to approve the Bond Indenture modification.

**Motion:** Mr. Luers moved to approve the requested Indenture Amendment, with the requirement that CVWRF maintain a minimum debt service coverage ratio of 1.25 throughout the life of the loan.

Mr. Heaton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote with Mr. Webb opposed.
Salina – Planning Advance Conversion to Grant: Mr. Hoffman presented the Board with a request to reauthorize an advance as a hardship design grant in the amount of $400,000.

Motion: Mr. Webb moved to approve the request to reauthorize the advance as a hardship design grant in the amount of a $400,000.

Mr. Gordon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Big Water – Planning Advance: Mr. Lischeske presented the Board with a request for a hardship planning advance.

Motion: Mr. Webb moved to approve the request to authorize a hardship planning grant of $52,500 with the following special condition.

1. The Division of Water Quality must approve the engineering agreement and plan of study before the advance will be executed.

Mr. Havasi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Millville City – Supplemental Funding Authorization: Mr. Hoffman presented the Board with a request for additional $4.7 million in additional assistance due to increased construction costs.

Motion: Mr. Luers moved to approve the request to authorize a $4,700,000 loan at 0% for a term of 30 years, in addition to the previous authorizations by the Board. This is subject to the following special conditions:

1. Millville City must agree to participate annually in the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP).
2. As part of the facility planning, Millville City must complete a Water Conservation and Management Plan.
3. Millville City must pursue and retain remaining funding necessary to fully implement the collection system project.
4. Millville City must develop and implement an asset management program that is consistent with EPA’s Fiscal Sustainability Plan guidance.
5. The funding authorizations will expire on May 14, 2022 if the City has not awarded the construction contract by that date.
6. Staff may negotiate with the City an escalating principal repayment schedule.
7. Staff may allow for a debt service ratio of 1.1.

Ms. Harris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
No public comments
MEETING ADJOURNMENT
Motion: Mr. Webb moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Havasi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Next Meeting – April 27, 2022
Meeting begins at 8:30 am

In-Person
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195 North 1950 West
Board Room 1015
Salt Lake City, UT 84116

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Steven Earley, Chair
Utah Water Quality Board

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