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MINUTES

**UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD**

MASOB
and
Via Zoom

October 27, 2021
8:30 am Board Meeting

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Steven Earley	Trevor Heaton
Brandon Gordon	Mike Luers
Michela Harris	Emily Niehaus
Joe Havasi	James Webb

Excused Kim Shelley

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Berjikian	Brenda Johnson
Harry Campbell	Glen Lischeske
Emily Cantón	John Mackey
Krystol Carfaro	George Meados
Eric Castrejon	Winnie Pan
Skyler Davies	Andrew Pompeo
Judy Etherington	Jen Robinson
Erica Gaddis	Lonnie Shull
Clanci Hawks	Mark Stanger
Ben Holcomb	Jeff Studenka
Toby Hooker	Beth Wondimu
Ken Hoffman	Yan Yan

OTHERS PRESENT

Chris Otto	DEQ
Ren Lambert	Limno Tech
Søren Simonson	Jordan River Commission
Mario Gonzalez	Sunrise Engineering
Mayor Jed Maxwell	Salina City
Tim Brown	Salina City
Jennifer Grant	Prior WQ Board Member
Gregg Galecki	Prior WQ Board Member
Jim VanDerslice	Prior WQ Board Member

Dr. Gaddis called the Board Meeting to order at 8:30 AM and asked the current and new board members to introduce themselves.

NOMINATION AND CONFIRMATION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Dr. Gaddis called for a nomination of a new Water Quality Board Chair.

Motion: Mr. Gordon made a motion to nominate Mr. Earley as Chair.

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

Mr. Earley called for a nomination of a new Water Quality Board Vice Chair.

Motion: Mr. Luers made a motion to nominate Mr. Webb as Vice Chair.

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

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 25, 2021 BOARD MEETING

Motion: Mr. Webb moved to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2021 Board meeting.

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

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Dr. Gaddis addressed the Board with the following updates.

National

- 401 Rule was vacated and remanded to the EPA.

Water Quality Core Program Updates

- 2022 Draft Integrated Report (IR) will be sent to public notice by November 1, 2021.
 - It will be ready for an on-time submittal on April 1, 2022.

- Informational item presented to the Board at December 15, 2021 meeting.
- Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL)
 - Spring Creek TMDL received comments from UDAF
- Nonpoint Source Program
 - Agriculture Voluntary Incentive Program transfer to UDAF scheduled for January 1, 2022.
 - Gotta Go! program coordination between Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office and Utah Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity to determine how finances will be managed.
- Permitting Program
 - 95% of individual permittees are in compliance.
 - 57% of general permittees are in compliance.
 - Jordan River permits out for public comment.
 - Treated Groundwater permit out for public comment.
 - Pesticides permit renewal nearly ready for public comment.
- Revolving Loan Funds
 - American Rescue Plan (ARPA) sewer list updated and shared with various legislators.

FUNDING REQUESTS

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

Planning Advance Request – Salina City: Mr. Hoffman presented the Board with a request for a hardship planning advance in the amount of \$400,000 for design and other pre-construction costs related to improvement of a wastewater collection and lagoon treatment facility plant.

Motion: Mr. Luers moved to approve the staff recommendations of requiring the City to return to the Board to fund at the minimum the construction of the upgrades to the lagoon treatment system with the following special conditions.

1. The City must return to the Board for some construction project funding assistance.
2. The Design Advance must be expeditiously repaid to the Board once long-term project financing has been secured.
3. The City must agree to participate annually in the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP).
4. As part of the facility planning, the City must complete a Water Conservation and Management Plan.

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

OTHER

2020 MWPP Results Summary: Mr. Campbell presented the Board with the 2020 Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP) survey results.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Webb moved to adjourn the meeting.

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

To view the full recording of the Water Quality Board meeting.
<https://deq.utah.gov/boards/utah-water-quality-board-meetings>

Next Meeting – December 15, 2021
Meeting begins at 8:30 am

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

Via Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7074990271>

Steven Earley
Steven Earley (Dec 16, 2021 11:41 MST)

Steven Earley, Chair
Utah Water Quality Board