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MINUTES

**UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD
MASOB
and
Via Zoom**

October 26, 2022
8:30 am Meeting

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Carly Castle	Joe Havasi
Steve Earley	Mike Luers
Brandon Gordon	James Webb
Michela Harris	

Excused Trevor Heaton
 Kim Shelley

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Berjikian	Tiffany Larrieu
Paul Burnett	Glen Lischeske
Emily Cantón	John Mackey
Eric Castrejon	Justine Marshall
Skyler Davies	George Meados
Judy Etherington	Alan Ochoa
Jodi Gardberg	Dave Pierson
Dan Griffin	Andrew Pompeo
Clanci Hawks	Jen Robinson
Porter Henze	Danny Ryan
Ken Hoffman	Lonnie Shull
Ben Holcomb	Jeff Studenka
Jessica Huber	Beth Wondimu
David Jamison	Leanna Littler-Woolf
Brenda Johnson	

OTHERS PRESENT

Soren Simonson	Jordan River Commission
Aimee Horman	Jordan River Commission
Haley Sousa	AG's Office
Marian Rice	Salt Lake City

Melissa Reynolds	Holland & Hart
Lyndsay Peterson	North Logan City
Alan Luce	North Logan City
Zac Root	North Logan City
Lance Anderson	North Logan City
Alex Buxton	Zions Bank
Barbara Bruno	Springdale City
Rick Wixom	Springdale City
Rob Totten	Springdale City
Dustyn Shaffer	Sunrise Engineering
Jeff Hall	Lewiston City
Gary Vance	J-U-B Engineering
Den Kirkland	Delta City
Robert Worley	Sunrise Engineering
Jeffren Pei	Hanksville
Lisa Wells	Hanksville
Daniel Holly	Jones & DeMille Engineering
Ray Spencer	Long Valley SID
James Saunders	Jones & DeMille Engineering
Marcus Simons	J-U-B Engineering

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

Motion: Mr. Gordon moved to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022 Board meeting.

Mr. Luers seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote with Ms. Harris, Mr. Earley, Mr. Heaton and Mr. Webb recusing themselves due to their absence at the September 28th meeting.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Mr. Mackey addressed the Board regarding the following.

Water Quality Division

- Staff Introductions
 - Porter Henze, Individual Permitting Section
 - Jessica Huber, Administrative Services Section
 - Justine Marshall, Compliance & Enforcement Section
- Staff Farewells
 - Brenda Johnson, Administrative Services Section

Region

- Wasatch Front Water Quality Council
 - Wet Wipes Campaign
- Utah Lake Summit

- Great Salt Lake Summit
- Southern Utah Reuse Funding

Water Quality Board

- 2023 Meeting [Schedule](#)
- Board Member Second Term Expiring
 - Michael Luers – March 1, 2023
 - Steven Earley, Chair – March 1, 2023
- Board Member Resignation
- Brandon Gordon – December 31, 2022
- Calvin K. Sudweeks Award Board Member Volunteers
 - Michela Harris
 - Michael Luers
 - James Webb

FUNDING

Financial Report: Ms. Cantón updated the Water Quality Board on the Loan Funds and Hardship Grant Funds as indicated in the [packet](#).

Project Funding Process Discussion

Springdale Project Funding Request: Mr. Hoffman presented the Board with the Town of Springdale request for funding in the amount of \$4.2 million for a wastewater project.

Motion: Mr. Webb moved to approve the staff recommendation of no funding at this time.

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

Central Valley – Additional Project Funding Request: Mr. Davies presented the Board with a request for any amount of additional funding that the Board is able to provide. CVWRF continues to consider all funding options and will find ways to finance the projects, however, CVWRF recognizes the benefit of Water Quality Board Funds.

Motion: Ms. Harris moved to approve the staff recommendation of no additional funding at this time.

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

Delta City – Project Funding Request: Mr. Meados presented the Board with a request for funding in addition to the hardship grant in the amount of \$200,000 and a short-term loan in the amount of \$200,000 at an interest rate of 0% over 5 years that the Board authorized August 24, 2022.

Motion: Mr. Webb moved to approve the staff recommendation of no additional funding at this time, but if Delta cannot secure funding with CIB or USDA-RD they are encouraged to reapply.

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

Hanksville – Project Funding Request: Mr. Meados presented the Board with a request to authorize funding in the amount of \$1,694,600 as principal forgiveness and \$350,000 as loan at an interest rate of 0% repayable over 30 years due probable construction costs and high financial burden on the community for their sewer master plan.

Motion: Mr. Luers moved to approve the staff recommendation the Water Quality Board authorize funding in the amount of \$1,694,600 as principal forgiveness and \$350,000 as loan at an interest rate of 0% repayable over 30 years to Hanksville under the following special conditions:

1. Hanksville must agree to participate annually in the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP).
2. As part of the facility planning, Hanksville must complete a Water Conservation and Management Plan.
3. Hanksville must develop, commit to adopt, and implement a capital asset management plan that is consistent with EPA's Fiscal Sustainability Plan guidance.

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

Long Valley Sewer Improvement District (SID) – Project Funding Request: Mr. Pompeo presented the Board with a request for a loan in the amount of \$1,274,200 for upgrades to increase the resiliency and automation of their system.

Motion: Mr. Webb moved that the Water Quality Board authorize funding in the amount of \$1,470,000 at an interest rate of 1.5% repayable over 20 years Long Valley under the following special conditions:

1. Long Valley must agree to participate annually in the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP).
2. Long Valley must develop, commit to adopt, and implement a capital asset management plan that is consistent with EPA's Fiscal Sustainability Plan guidance.
3. As part of the facility planning, must complete a Water Conservation and Management Plan.

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

North Logan – Project Funding Request: Mr. Lischeske presented the Board with a request for funding in the amount of \$3,500,000 as loan at an interest rate of 2.0% repayable over 30 years to North Logan to fund Phases IV and V for replacing an existing main gravity trunk line.

Motion: Mr. Luers moved that the Water Quality Board authorize funding in the amount of \$3,500,000 as loan at an interest rate of 2.0% repayable over 30 years to North Logan to fund Phases IV and V under the following special conditions:

1. North Logan must agree to participate annually in the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP).
2. As part of the facility planning, North Logan must complete a Water Conservation and Management Plan.
3. North Logan must develop, commit to adopt, and implement a capital asset management plan that is consistent with EPA's Fiscal Sustainability Plan guidance.

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

Lewiston City – Additional Project Funding Request: Mr. Hoffman presented the Board with additional funding request in the amount of \$1,000,000 as principal forgiveness and \$400,000 loan at an interest rate of 0% repayable over 20 years to replace aging infrastructure, eliminate capacity limitations, improve

wastewater treatment performance and enhance the overall system maintainability, flexibility, reliability, and customer service.

Motion: Ms. Harris moved that the Water Quality Board authorize funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 as principal forgiveness and \$400,000 loan at an interest rate of 0% repayable over 20 years to Lewiston under the following special conditions:

1. The authorization of this funding package will unauthorize the undisbursed balances of Hardship Grant Agreement #C069 which is approximately \$460,00 in hardship grant funds.
2. Lewiston must pursue and retain remaining funding necessary to fully implement the project.
3. Lewiston must agree to participate annually in the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP).
4. As part of the facility planning, Lewiston must complete a Water Conservation and Management Plan.
5. Lewiston must develop, commit to adopt, and implement a capital asset management plan that is consistent with EPA's Fiscal Sustainability Plan guidance.

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

OTHER

FY24 Hourly Rate Fee Changes for "Other Permits": Ms. Cantón presented the Board with information regarding an estimated impact of the fee change for "Other Permits".

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Webb moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Havasi 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 – November 7, 2022
Finance Committee Meeting
Meeting begins at 1:00 pm

In-Person
MASOB
195 North 1950 West
Great Salt Lake West Room 3134
Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Via Zoom

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

Steven Earley

Steven Earley (Dec 15, 2022 13:49 MST)

Steven Earley, Chair
Utah Water Quality Board