

PRICE RIVER WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

January 7, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Price River Water Improvement District was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the District's Service Center located at 265 South Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah.

PRESENT

Keith Cox Jeff Richens
Ed Chavez Micha Marrelli
Rick Davis

EXCUSED

Scott Jensen
Barney Zauss
Kim Wood

Chairman Cox welcomed all in attendance to the meeting noting which Board Members were present and which were excused.

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 Agenda Items.

MINUTES

The Chairman asked for input to the minutes of the December 17, 2024 board meeting. Chavez moved to approve the minutes as written from the December 17, 2024 meeting. Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Chavez, and Davis.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS BY BOARD

Chavez reported that Line Maintenance crews have completed many tasks over the past three weeks. These include covering the exposed water line at Drop Wash to prevent freezing, clearing a plugged sewer line, replaced a leaking 3/4" meter, assisted Central Park Trailer park with multiple water issues, fixed a leak on the Emery Star system, cleaned the Pinnacle Sewer Lift Station, delivered materials to be made into mainline repair couplers, marked all blue stake requests, and sampled and submitted end of month Bac-T tests.

Davis reported the WTP is working two eight-hour shifts, five days a week, but weekend demand is requiring one shift on Saturday as well. We are receiving 600 gallons per minute from Price City. There was some question about leaks in Wellington City, an erratic prv, and the effect on part of the distribution system due to the Airport tank's size. Filters #3 and #4 are still being operated manually as personnel from LimiTork have still not responded to our request for assistance. The propane heaters have all been repaired or replaced and are back in service.

Chairman Cox asked Richens if there was anything from the Fleet Maintenance or Wastewater Treatment departments that needed to be reported. Richens indicated that he didn't have their reports with him, but his recollection was that there wasn't anything unusual or of concern.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Richens explained that with Scott and Barney being gone, the Board reorganization item will be on the next agenda as well as the newly state mandated Conflict of Interest form. He informed the Board that a resident claimed damages from the sewer backup last week, but upon filling out the form no evidence was presented with the claim. Constitution State Services has initially denied the claim, but will wait to see if the resident pursues it further. We have no new information on the TIF plans for either the RC Solar or Intermountain Electronics proposals. Price City and Price River Water User's Association are requesting a letter of support for a funding request to the Bureau of Reclamation for the Lower Elevation Reservoir. Richens presented a letter to the Board for review and signature from the Chair and Manager.

REVIEW AND APPROVE WEST PRICE MOTEL PROJECT TIF PLAN

Richens presented the information for the West Price Motel TIF Plan and explained the results of the Zoom meeting discussion wherein all taxing entities were involved. He explained that 51% of the tax increment would be returned to the developer over 15 years up to an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 and 49% of the tax increment would be sent to the taxing entities. The zero year is 2025 and the trigger year is 2027. After the discussion, Davis moved to approve signing the Tax Increment Finance Plan agreement. Chavez seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Chavez, and Davis.

APPROVE TWO EMPLOYEES TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL RWAU CONFERENCE

Two employees are requesting to attend the annual Rural Water Association of Utah Conference on February 25 – 28, 2025. Both are from the water treatment plant, Troy Mastin and Glenn Huff. No employees from the Line Maintenance Department expressed an interest this year. Chavez moved to approve sending two employees to the RWAU conference. Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Chavez, and Davis.

REVIEW AND APPROVE DROP WASH WATERLINE PROTECTION PROJECT

Jones and Demille Engineers has submitted a proposal for the engineering and design of the waterline protection project which crosses Drop Wash. The proposal includes survey work, permitting, and design for the amount of \$20,700.00. Additional work may be completed for additional charges. Richens explained that staff is in agreement that we may be able to complete construction management and construction in-house. All parties will know better after we have seen the design. After the discussion, Chaves moved to approve the expenditure. Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Chavez, and Davis.

APPROVE HIRING FOR RECORDER'S POSITION

Richens explained that Kim Wood is returning to school to complete her Bachelor's Degree which schedule doesn't allow her to attend board meetings. Staff is requesting to hire someone to attend meetings, take minutes, and prepare them for adoption. After the discussion, Chavez moved to approve hiring for the position of Recorder as explained, whether they are related to an employee or not, at a rate of \$100 per meeting. Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. AYE: Cox, Chavez, and Davis.

CLOSED SESSION

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Davis updated the Board about Price City's planning to upgrade their spring line and WTP.

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

Keith Cox, Chairman

Kim Wood, Clerk