

## MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2011

Minutes of the 745<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy

The Board Meeting of the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy on Monday, January 24, 2011 began at 4:30 p.m. in the District's Board Room located at 3430 East Danish Road, Cottonwood Heights, Utah 84093.

The following Trustees were present:

John S. Kirkham	-Chair
Tom Godfrey	-Vice Chair
Lee Kapaloski	-Secretary
Donald Y. Milne	-Trustee
Kathy W. Loveless	-Trustee
Patricia Comarell	-Trustee

Excused:

David L. Buhler	- Trustee
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Also present:

Michael Wilson, General Manager  
Michael DeVries, Assistant General Manager/Information Services Manager  
Annalee Munsey, Administrative Supervisor  
Claudia Wheeler, Environmental Services Manager  
Wayne Winsor, Engineering Manager  
Eric Sorensen, Environmental Service Specialist II  
Sonya Shepherd, Accountant  
Steve Stocking, Operations & Maintenance Manager  
Shawn Draney, Snow, Christensen & Martineau  
Tom Ward, Salt Lake City Public Utilities  
Scott Ellis, Sandy City Public Utilities  
Mike Zuhl, R&R Partners  
Michael Collins, Bowen Collins & Associates  
Christine Finlinson, Central Utah Water Conservancy District  
Jim Olson, HDR  
Steve Cain, Provo River Water Users Association

### **Work Session Agenda**

1. Discuss request for increased capacity at Little Cottonwood Water Treatment Plant
2. Discuss water quality information
3. Discuss status of Utah Lake Water Users Association
4. Other

## **Board Meeting Agenda**

1. Call to order
2. Public comment
3. Consider approval of fee waiver for Utah Department of Transportation
4. Consider approval of resolution 1846 for WaterSMART grant application
5. Consider approval of resolution 1847 for proxy for the Provo River Water Users Association annual meeting
6. Consider approval of board meeting minutes dated November 15, 2010
7. Consider acceptance of financial reports
8. Reporting/Scheduling items
  - a. Engineering reports
  - b. Legislative activity
  - c. Newsletter
  - d. General Manager's report
9. Other Business
10. Items to be discussed at the next meeting
11. Closed session (if necessary)
12. Adjourn

## **Work Session**

### **Discuss request for increased capacity at Little Cottonwood Water Treatment Plant**

Mr. Eric Sorensen reported on the District's request for increased capacity at the Little Cottonwood Water Treatment Plant. The current maximum flow at the plant is 113 MGD. The District conducted basin high flow testing from October 12<sup>th</sup> through October 25<sup>th</sup> to demonstrate to the State of Utah that the plant can be operated at 125 MGD and still meet regulatory requirements. The District met or exceeded all regulations and has requested approval to run the basins at 125 MGD. The District is waiting for final approval from the State.

### **Discuss water quality information**

Ms. Wheeler discussed recent water quality news items, specifically the regulation of Chromium VI and Salt Lake County's regulation to decrease the amount of fluoride added to water during the treatment process.

### **Discuss status of Utah Lake Water Users Association**

Mr. Wilson provided an update on the Utah Lake Water Users Association and the District's relationship with the Utah Lake Pump Station. The design of the new pump station is being developed by Bowen Collins & Associates. The Articles of Incorporation for the Utah Lake Water Users Association have been drafted and are being reviewed by the different entities involved. Mr. Draney reviewed the unique aspects of the Articles of Incorporation.

## **Board Meeting**

### **Call to order**

At 4:40 p.m. the Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed board members, staff and guests. Mr. Buhler was excused.

### **Public comment**

The Chair invited any public comment. Mr. Scott Ellis reported that Sandy City received the 2011 U.S. Conference of Mayors Water Achievement Award during the United States Conference of Mayors meeting in Washington, D.C. Mr. Shane Pace accepted the award for Sandy City. They were recognized for achieving a 35 gallons per capita per day reduction in consumption with a 27 percent reduction in water consumption in one year.

### **Consider approval of fee waiver for Utah Department of Transportation**

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) and the District are engaged in exchanging parcels of land near 4100 South and I-215 in Salt Lake County. The Board previously approved the exchange of these parcels of land. UDOT maintains an existing underground ATMS fiber optic line over a portion of both parcels and UDOT maintains an existing underground power line over a portion of both parcels. The Salt Lake Aqueduct corridor runs through the parcel of land to be swapped so the District has prepared a Right-of-Way license agreement for UDOT to sign. There are fees involved in the license agreement and UDOT has indicated that they will be appealing the fee. Staff recommended waiving the fee in order to facilitate this transaction; however, since the District initiated the process to resolve the land exchange and other license agreements with UDOT, the Board recommended that this motion is not a fee waiver but a negotiated consideration for the District initiated transaction.

Mr. Milne motioned to approve the negotiated transaction with the Utah Department of Transportation; Ms. Loveless seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **Consider approval of resolution 1846 for WaterSMART grant application**

Mr. Wilson provided a background on the Water SMART grant application. The Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation is seeking proposals for cooperative projects that meet the requirements of the WaterSMART: Water and Energy Efficient Grants FY 2011. These grants provide cost shared funding for improved water management. The District's proposed Little Cottonwood Creek Flow Measurement Upgrade Project meets the grants objective very well. The District must be willing to cost share at a minimum 50 percent of the total project cost. District's expenses would total approximately \$86,940 and the Bureau's share would be \$77,760.00. The names of potential award recipients will be announced in late April 2011.

Mr. Godfrey motioned to approve Resolution 1846 for WaterSMART grant application; Mr. Kapaloski seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously upon roll call:

Mr. Kapaloski	-aye
Ms. Loveless	-aye
Mr. Milne	-aye
Ms. Comarell	-aye
Mr. Godfrey	-aye
Mr. Kirkham	-aye
Mr. Buhler	-excused

**Consider approval of resolution 1847 for proxy for the Provo River Water Users Association annual meeting**

Mr. Kapaloski reported on the Executive Committee Meeting that was held prior to the board meeting. The committee discussed the long-term continuity of the relationship between the District and the Provo River Water Users Association. The committee recommends to the Board the appointment of Mr. John Kirkham, replacing Lon Richardson, as a director on the Association's board.

Mr. Milne motioned to approve Resolution 1847 for proxy for the Provo River Water Users Association annual meeting, with amendment to appoint Mr. Kirkham; Mr. Kapaloski seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously upon roll call:

Mr. Kapaloski	-aye
Ms. Loveless	-aye
Mr. Milne	-aye
Ms. Comarell	-aye
Mr. Godfrey	-aye
Mr. Kirkham	-aye
Mr. Buhler	-excused

**Consider approval of board meeting minutes dated November 15, 2010**

Mr. Godfrey moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated November 15, 2010; Ms. Comarell seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Consider acceptance of financial reports**

The Board requested clarification on a few items on the balance sheet and revenue statement.

Ms. Loveless motioned to accept the July through December 2010 financial reports; Mr. Milne seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Reporting/Scheduling items**

Mr. Wilson reported that the District received final payment from the Army Corps of Engineers for Little Dell on September 13, 2010 in the amount of \$51,807.00. The District also received payment from Salt Lake County for Little Dell flood control in December 2010. The Jordanelle Special Services District sent a payment of \$100,000 and the signed amendment for the use of the District's Ontario Drain Tunnel water supply. Mr. Kirkham was reappointed by the Sandy City council on January 4, 2011 for another term and the Salt Lake City council is still processing the re-appointment of Kathy Loveless.

Mr. Wilson referred the board members to the capital project and encroachment program reports. Staff has spent considerable time with Mr. Sorf whose property is located at 9600 South Mt. Jordan Road in Sandy. Mr. Sorf has been served with the default judgment and preparations are being made to remove unauthorized encroachments on his property.

Mr. Wilson reported that requests for proposals for the financial audit, liability insurance broker, benefits broker, and investment advisor will be issued within the next 4-8 weeks. The District has migrated to an outsourced payroll process, provided by CBIZ. The first payroll under the new process occurred in early December. Annual cost for this service is approximately \$4,400.00. The Fiscal Year 2012 budget scheduled was reviewed as well as the upcoming committee meetings.

Mr. Mike Zuhl reported on the upcoming legislative activity. The District, Salt Lake City, and others have sent letters to the Utah delegation in support of continued funding of the Central Utah Project.

### **Other Business**

No other business was discussed.

### **Adjourn**

At 5:34 p.m. Mr. Milne motioned to adjourn; Mr. Kapaloski seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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Chair

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Secretary