

Uintah Water Conservancy District

Board of Trustees
Board Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2017
UWCD Office
10:00 a.m.

Approved

Conducting: Chairman William Merkley called the March 14, 2017, Board Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed guests.

Present: **Trustees:** William Merkley, Todd Thacker, Quentin Johnson, Herb Snyder, Vern Richens, Greg Witbeck and Dean Baker.
Others: Gawain Snow, General Manager; Mary Searle, UWCD Clerk; John Hunting, O&M Manager; Dave Rasmussen, UWCD Consultant; Clint Allen, Caldwell Richards Sorensen.

Approval of Minutes Herb Snyder made a MOTION that was SECONDED by Dean Baker and passed unanimously to approve the February 14, 2017, Board Meeting minutes.

Steinaker - Safety of Dams The Bureau of Reclamation sent drilling rigs to drill three more holes in the dam for additional information and monitoring equipment. They will bring a barge and drill six holes in the front of the dam to gather information as to if a seismic berm is needed. The schedule for repair has not changed.

Vernal Unit Efficiency Enhancement Project The enclosure was too muddy to do much work lately. They completed the vaults and valves. They had to raise the banks and bridges to allow for additional water back-up. The fencing issue change order was signed. We need to get a survey crew in when the mud dries. Ashley Valley Water and Sewer provided water for pressure testing which went well. We will work out an some kind of exchange with them. A moving screen needs to be installed. Rocky Mountain has given us a contract for power to the moving screen. There are extra pipe and fittings that we are not allowed to sell or trade since they must be used on Bureau projects but can be used for Phase II.

Regarding Phase II, Bowen Collins is looking into the cost difference of fiberglass and HDPE pipe. We will have to go with two pipes if we go with HDPE because of the volume needed. We should know the time frame in June or July. Starting in 2018 is the goal. This phase will end about halfway between 1500 and 2500 South.

Financial Statements Quentin Johnson made a MOTION that was SECONDED by Todd Thacker and passed unanimously to approve the February financial statements.

Invoices

Todd Thacker made a MOTION that was SECONDED by Greg Witbeck and passed unanimously to approve the following invoices: Bowen Collins \$3,655.25; Jones & DeMille \$357.50; W. W. Clyde \$78,781.32; for a total of \$82,794.07.

Administrative Code

The auditors' only concern when preparing the audit was making sure the board had been trained. The board agreed to meet at 9:30 before the next board meeting to watch a video to comply with the training requirement. Herb Snyder made a MOTION that was SECONDED by Vernon Richens and passed unanimously to approve the changes to Chapter II of the Administrative Code..

Farm Field Day

Quentin Johnson made a MOTION that was SECONDED by Greg Witbeck and passed unanimously to approve donating \$200 to Farm Field Day and sending John Hunting to participate.

Manager Report

The cloud seeding equipment was turned off for part of the month.

Utah Water Users Workshop will be next week with William, Todd, Greg and Dean attending. Bowen Collins has offered to provide dinner Tuesday evening.

Central Utah Water Conservancy District sent books for each board member that contain fifty years of their history.

Adjourn

Quentin Johnson made a MOTION to Adjourn which was SECONDED by Todd Thacker and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.