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# MINUTES UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD

195 N 1950 W
Salt Lake City, UT 84116
October 25, 2017

## UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Myron BatemanClyde BunkerSteven EarleyGregg GaleckiMichael LuersAlan MathesonJim VanDersliceJennifer Grant

Excused: David Ogden

Alex Buxton

Mariah Rice

Justin Atkinson

### DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Erica Gaddis , John Mackey, Brenda Johnson, Savannah Miller, Cheryl Parker, Linda Gould, Emily Cantón, Jerry Rogers, Marsha Case, Judy Etherington, Jeanne Riley, Trisha DiPaola, Lisa Stevens

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

**Organization Representing** Name Mayor Brent Marshall Grantsville City Sherrie Broadbent Grantsville City Engineer for Grantsville project **Shay Stark** Ty Bailey Morgan City Mayor Ray Little Morgan City Jamie Grandpre Morgan City Gary Vance JUB Engineering Tom Pendley OCC Jennifer Weidhans Wastewater Operator Council Aaron Wade Gilmore & Bell MTOID Kerry Eppich Rich Mickelsen **Brigham City** Jason Broome Forsgren Associates

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Myron Bateman called the Board meeting to order at 8:30 AM and took roll call for the members of the Board and audience.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 23, 2017 MEETING

Motion: Mr. Bunker moved to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2017

meeting. Mr. Van Derslice seconded the motion. The motion passed  $\,$ 

unanimously.

# **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT**

• Dr. Gaddis reported the appointment of a new Water Quality Board member, Mr. David Ogden.

- The new Finances Section Accounting Technician Jerry Rogers was also introduced. Dr. Gaddis also announced there are two new Storm Water Section staff. Trisha DiPaola is the new MS4 Coordinator and Lisa Stevens will be the Storm Water Specialist.
- Dr. Gaddis shared the outcome of her meeting with the states of New Mexico and Colorado, along with the Navajo Nation and the EPA to discuss the funds appropriated by Congress for this fiscal year. She reported it was a very successful meeting, and that all jurisdictions agreed to support the Lake Powell Study.
- The Legislative tour of Utah Lake was a great success. There were presentations about the importance of wastewater infrastructure and the importance of Utah Lake itself. The presentations are online on the legislative website at <a href="https://le.utah.gov">https://le.utah.gov</a>.
- Harmful Algal Bloom season is wrapping up. It was a successful season in terms of Water Quality's response to a number of algal blooms. Currently the Division is aware of blooms in two drinking water sources: Deer Creek Reservoir and Jordanelle Reservoir. So far neither bloom has threatened any drinking water utilities.
- There have been reports of rising construction costs that seem to be due to hurricane clean-up efforts. The Salem loan the Board approved came back with a higher cost estimate than they were approved for. Dr. Gaddis isn't aware of any other loans with the same problem, but said Salem may be coming back to ask for more money.
- Dr. Gaddis updated the Board on the South Davis Sewer District pilot project. She reported that the pilot project is up and running and they are going to be moving forward with the larger scale next year. She also agreed to get together with the Board for a tour of the project.
- There was an additional 2.5 million dollars as part of the loan the Board approved that was to be used for nonpoint source and research projects. A packet will be brought to the Board in March with a plan on how to best use the funds. Some of the money the Division would like to use for demonstration storm water projects in the district. The hope is to get traction on new, innovative storm water implementation where there seems to be a lot of interest. There is criteria being put together for people to compete for the funds and then a final package will be brought back to the Board.

#### **RULE MAKING**

**Permission to begin rule making for the Wastewater Operator Examinations:** Ms. Etherington requested approval from the Water Quality Board to commence rulemaking to revise Utah Administrative Code R317-10-10, Examination.

Motion: Ms. Grant moved to approve the request to proceed to rule making for

Wastewater Operator Certification Examinations. Mr. VanDerslice

seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Financial Report** – Ms. Cantón updated the Board on the Loan Funds, and Hardship Grant Funds, as seen in the packet.

**Grantsville City – Sewer Improvements Project Introduction:** Grantsville City Corporation (the City) introduced a project that would include a 30 year term construction assistance loan from the Utah Water Quality Board in the amount of \$5,014,000 to upgrade its main sewer trunk, several collection lines, and a sewer lift station.

**Morgan City** - **Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project Introduction:** Morgan City (City) introduced a project that would include a 20 year term construction assistance loan from the Utah Water Quality Board in the amount of \$2,830,000 for construction of new headworks and disinfection systems. These improvements constitute Phase I in the City's Capital Facilities Master Plan.

To listen to the full recording of the Board meeting go to: <a href="http://www.utah.gov/pmn/index.html">http://www.utah.gov/pmn/index.html</a>

Next Meeting – December 4, 2017 DEQ Board Room 1015 195 N 1950 W Salt Lake City, UT 84116

> Myron Bateman, Chair Utah Water Quality Board