GRAND WATER & SEWER SERVICE AGENCY

Operating Committee Meeting March 6, 2003

The meeting was called to order by President Wilson at 7:00 p.m. at the Agency office, 3025 East Spanish Trail Road, Moab, Utah. Other Operating Committee members present were Dan Pyatt, Dan Holyoak, Neal Dalton, Barbara Morra and Rex Tanner. Absent was William McDougald. Those present established a quorum. Other Grand Water and Sewer Service Agency Board members present were Al McLeod, Karl Tangren, James Walker, and Kyle Bailey.

Others present were Dave Cozzens, Bill Love, Sam Someville, Owen Lammers, John Weisheit, Joe Slansky, Lisa Church, Judy Carmichael, Dale Pierson, and Marsha Modine.

Minutes

Motion by Rex Tanner to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 20, 2003 as presented. Second by Kyle Bailey. Gary Wilson-Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Neal Dalton-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Barbara Morra-aye, Kyle Bailey-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Al McLeod-Aye and Karl Tangren-Aye. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Citizens to be Heard</u> Owen Lammers, Living Rivers, presented a letter from that organization to the Board which outlined their concerns with the purchase of the George White property, wells and water rights.

Bill Love also expressed concerns with the White property purchase and asked that any agreement to purchase the property be placed before the public prior to its being finalized.

<u>Report on RWAU Conference</u> Dale Pierson reported that Spanish Valley Water & Sewer Improvement District (SVW&SID) had received a Community Service Award from USDA Utah Rural Development at the Conference. This is the first time that Rural Development has given this award. Grand Water and Sewer Service Agency's water was the winner of the RWAU Taste Test and has been declared "Utah's Best Tasting Water." Dale also reported that the Utah Division of Environmental Quality's newsletter contains an article about the Drinking Water System Improvement Project.

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Irrigation Season

2003 Irrigation Season Dale Pierson reported that current La Sal Mountain snow water content is 88% of average. Dale recommended that decisions regarding irrigation water restrictions and allocation of pumping costs be deferred until after April 1, 2003 snow water contents are available. He also recommended a start up date for the irrigation system of "the closest Monday to April 1, 2003." Motion by Al McLeod to turn on the irrigation system on or about April 1, 2003. Second by James Walker. Gary Wilson-Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Neal Dalton-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Barbara Morra-aye, Kyle Bailey-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Al McLeod-Aye and Karl Tangren-Aye. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Check Approval</u> Motion by Rex Tanner to approve the checks in the amount of \$44,735.21. Second by Dan Holyoak. Gary Wilson-Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Neal Dalton-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Kyle Bailey-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Al McLeod-Aye and Karl Tangren-Aye. Barbara Morra-Nay. MOTION CARRIED.

Items From Board James Walker requested a list of those who had transferred Moab Irrigation shares through Sheley Tunnel. Barb Morra asked that she also obtain a copy of that list.

Barb Morra asked if it was appropriate to discuss water right amounts and acreage involved in the White property purchase as these items were discussed in Executive Session. She referred to a Times Independent article from the week of February 27, 2003. She stated that she felt Manager Dale Pierson had been remiss in giving out the acreage amount. She also stated that the amount of water to be purchased was incorrectly stated in the article and that it would give the public an incorrect impression of the sale. Barb then stated that the remaining term of the Water Exchange Content was 26 years not 19 years as Pierson was quoted in the article. Barb asked for a meeting, with Executive Session, to further discuss the White property purchase. President Gary Wilson suggested that a Special Meeting be held Thursday March 13, 2003 to discuss the purchase and that the Board would be informed of the meeting date and time.

Barb asked that SVW&SID hold a special meeting to discuss their exposure in the White property purchase and that separate legal counsel be retained for SVW&SID. She also stated she felt by-laws should be formulated for SVW&SID. SVW&SID Chairman Dan Holyoak suggested that a Special SVW&SID Meeting be

held March 11, 2003 at 7:00 PM. A consensus of SVW&SID Board members in attendance indicated that this was suitable.

Items From Staff None.

President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned. Hearing no objections the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

Dale F. Pierson, Secretary/Treasurer

Gary N. Wilson, President