

# Grand Water & Sewer Service Agency

Budget Hearing & Full Agency Meeting  
December 12, 2001

The meeting was called to order by President Gary Wilson at 7:11 p.m. at the Agency Office, 3025 E Spanish Trail Rd, Moab, Utah. Other Agency Board members present were Rex Tanner, Dan Holyoak, Karla VanderZanden, Kyle Bailey, Jerry McNeely, and Dan Pyatt. Absent Agency Board members: Paul Morris, Neal Dalton, Karl Tangren, Bill McDougald, James Walker, and Al McLeod. Those in attendance established a quorum.

Others present were Dale Pierson, Rhonda Riberia, Marsha Modine, Harvey Merrell, Ole Hougen, Mark Sundeen, and Barb Morra.

President Wilson called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the Operating Committee Meeting of December 5, 2001. Karla noted she had left the meeting prior to the vote being taken regarding the Holiday Inn Express, but was recorded as having voted for that issue and to approve the checks. Karla motioned to approve the minutes with the aforementioned corrections. Seconded: Dan Pyatt. Gary – aye, Rex – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried. Karla asked how the Holiday Inn Express issue would be evaluated. Dale responded the effect of the withdrawal of the Inn would be evaluated by himself and John Chartier regarding impact on political, financial, and engineering issues. After that, public feedback would also be investigated from the other North Corridor property owners.

**Citizens To Be Heard** Barbara Morra spoke regarding the annexation of the North Corridor Area, and was reminded that the annexation was approved by the Grand County Council, questions should be directed to them.

Mark Sundeen asked how many total seats the Agency could ostensibly have.

**Amend 2001 Budget** The amended 2001 Budget was presented to the Board. After discussion of various line items, Kyle motioned to table the amended 2001 Budget for review, amending it at a Special Agency Meeting. Second by Rex. Kyle – aye, Rex – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Gary – nay, Jerry – nay, Karla – nay, Dan Pyatt – nay. Motion failed. After further discussion Karla motioned to approve the amended 2001 Budget as presented. Second by Dan Holyoak. Gary – aye, Rex – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried.

**Executive Session** not deemed necessary

**2002 Budget Hearing** President Wilson opened the 2002 Budget Hearing at 7:31 p.m.. After discussion and questions from the Board and the public President Wilson asked if there were any other questions from the public, and hearing none declared the hearing closed at 7:42 p.m. Motion by Dan Holyoak to approve the 2002 Budget as presented, second by Rex. Gary – aye, Rex – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried. Marsha noted the November financial statement was also included in the packets.

**Water Project Report** Dale reported on the progress of the current Phase of the project.

**North Corridor – Arches Nat'l Park Appropriation** Dale relayed there was nothing new to report at this time.

**Provide Certified Operator to Wilson Arch Water System** Dale noted the letter supporting this issue requested by the Board from Ken Bousfield, Compliance Program Manager for the Division of Drinking Water was presented in the packets. Dale reported that he had also spoken with Brent Rose on the issue of liability. Brent recommended: a) a strong *hold harmless* statement be included in the contract; and b1) requiring Wilson Arch to provide liability insurance in an amount stipulated by the Agency and naming the Agency; or b2) adding Wilson Arch to the current Agency liability insurance, and charging any additional premiums to Wilson Arch. Discussion

B. Morra

M. Sundeen

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followed. Dan Holyoak motioned to direct Dale to proceed, seconded by Kyle. Gary – aye, Rex – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried.

**Recommendation to Grand County Council & San Juan County Commissioners – Two Open Board Positions on GCWCD**

Gary noted the vacancies were publicized in both Grand County and San Juan County, and letters of interest were received from Gary Wilson, Rex Tanner, Paul Morris, Barbara Morra, Ole Hougen, and Mark Sundeen. The Board was reminded the procedure for appointment of these positions was: a recommendation from the Agency to the Grand County Council and San Juan County Commissioners, who in turn make their recommendations to the Governor. The Governor's recommendations are then presented and approved by the Senate. Motion by Kyle to recommend everyone a letter was received from. No second was given, motion failed. Gary asked those present if they would like to make a statement to the Board. Mark Sundeen spoke regarding that though others may be more qualified than he, he felt what the Agency needed were 15 voices, not 13, and he would help there. Ole Hougen added no additional comments, nor did Barbara Morra. Rex spoke regarding wishing to remain involved, noting that due to the staggering of terms, he had yet to serve a full year, but felt he had more to offer the Board. Gary spoke regarding the fact that he as an irrigation water user he felt he could represent other irrigation water users.

Kyle questioned whether Gary would prefer a seat on GCWCD or GCSSWD, Gary noted he would like to remain involved on both. Kyle noted he would be willing to recommend Gary for GCWCD if he would agree to relinquish his chair on GCSSWD. After further discussion, Gary agreed noting he would be supportive of 15 slots being filled with 15 people, and adding this was the first time in years there was sufficient interest to possibly accommodate this end. Gary noted receiving a letter from Neal Dalton, who could not be present tonight, expressing his support of Gary Wilson, Rex Tanner, or Paul Morris for the vacancies. Kyle motioned to recommend Gary Wilson, second by Dan Pyatt. Gary – aye, Rex – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried.

Kyle motioned to recommend Harvey Merrell, however, as Harvey is not one of the applicants, no second was given. Motion failed.

Karla motioned to recommend Rex Tanner, second by Jerry. Gary – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Rex – abstained. Motion carried.

Kyle motioned to recommend Barbara Morra, second by Karla. Kyle – aye, Karla – aye. Gary – abstained, Rex – abstained, Dan Holyoak – abstained, Dan Pyatt – abstained, Jerry – abstained. President Wilson declared the motion carried. [Whereas research on December 13, 2001 showed the motion does not pass the majority vote criteria as set by Agency policy, the motion actually failed.]

Motion to suspend recommendations for the vacancies on the GCWCD Board by Dan Holyoak, second by Karla. Gary – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Jerry – aye. Kyle – nay. Rex – abstained. Motion carried.

**Recommendation to GCC – Two Open Board Positions on SVWSID**

Gary noted the Grand County Council had requested the Agency to make recommendation for the vacancies on the SVWSID Board. Letters of interest were presented to the Board from Harvey Merrell, Ole Hougen, Bill Love, Gary Holyoak, Rex Tanner, Barbara Morra, and Mark Sundeen. Al McLeod also expressed an interest to serve again, though no letter was received. Gary noted receiving a letter from Neal Dalton, who could not be present tonight, expressing his support of Rex Tanner, and Gary Holyoak for the vacancies.

Kyle motioned to recommend Harvey Merrell, second by Dan Holyoak. Kyle – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye. Gary – abstained, Karla – abstained, Jerry – abstained, Rex – abstained, Dan Pyatt – abstained. President Wilson declared the motion carried. [Whereas research on December 13, 2001 showed the motion does not pass the majority vote criteria as set by Agency policy, the motion actually failed.]

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second by Kyle. Kyle – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye. Gary – abstained, Jerry – abstained, Rex – abstained, Dan Pyatt – abstained. President Wilson declared the motion carried. [Whereas research on December 13, 2001 showed the motion does not pass the majority vote criteria as set by Agency policy, the motion actually failed.]

Rex asked regarding Al McLeod's interest to serve another term, why was he not present and would he be more pro-active if appointed again? Jerry noted Al indicated to him he would. Rex expressed concern over the overall good for the Board if members do not attend.

Karla motioned to recommend Ole Hougen, second by Kyle. Kyle – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye. Gary – abstained, Karla – abstained, Jerry – abstained, Rex – abstained, Dan Pyatt – abstained. President Wilson declared the motion carried. [Whereas research on December 13, 2001 showed the motion does not pass the majority vote criteria as set by Agency policy, the motion actually failed.]

Motion to suspend recommendations for the vacancies on the SVWSID Board by Dan Holyoak, second by Karla. Gary – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Jerry – aye, Kyle – aye. Rex – abstained. Motion carried.

**Check Approval** Kyle motioned to approve the checks in the amount of \$21,230.45. Seconded: Karla. Gary – aye, Rex – aye, Dan Holyoak – aye, Karla – aye, Dan Pyatt – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried.

#### **Items from Board**

**Sale of George White Ranch** Gary noted it appeared the sale had not gone through for the George White Ranch, and spoke regarding finding the funding for the Agency to purchase the land and the well. Discussion followed.

George White  
Ranch

**Replacement Sewer Meters** Kyle asked regarding the research on the replacement meters. Dale reported on the progress.

Sewer Meters

#### **Items from Staff**

**SVWSID & GCWCD Special Budget Hearing** Dale noted Staff would set a time and date for these meetings, due to lack of quorum this evening, and would contact the Board as soon as possible.

Special  
Meetings

President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Gary N. Wilson, President

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Dale F. Pierson, Secretary/Treasurer