

GRAND WATER & SEWER SERVICE AGENCY
Operating Committee Meeting
March 2, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Pyatt at 6:00 p.m. at the Agency Office, 3025 E. Spanish Trail Rd., Moab, Utah. Other trustees present were: Gary Wilson, Rex Tanner, Mike Holyoak, Rick Thompson and Dale Weiss. Jerry McNeely arrived at 6:05 p.m. Those present established a quorum. Absent were: Kyle Bailey, Curtis Wells, Preston Paxman, and Brian Backus. Others present were: Art Wollenweber (via telephone) and Dana Van Horn.

Minutes of meeting 2-15-2017 Motion to approve the minutes of 2-15-2017 as presented by Dale Weiss. Second by Mike Holyoak. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

Citizens to be heard None.

Check approval Motion to ratify/approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$39,715.87 by Dale Weiss. Second by Rick Thompson. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

Financial statement The January 2017 financial statement was presented.

Discuss utilization of excess Ken's Lake irrigation water Art said that there are two discussion items regarding the excess water in Ken's Lake. Last year, Mark Sovine filed a temporary transfer application of Colorado River water right 05-1458 to include a diversion point at the tunnel. Marc Stilson recommended to Art that the Agency file for the change permanently. It costs \$400 for either an annual change or a permanent one. The board agreed with Art to proceed with the permanent change. The change only adds the diversion points for the water load out station on the river and the tunnel. It would have to be done for the water load out regardless. The change does not remove the water as a Colorado River right nor does it quantify how much water is diverted at any point. The second issue is how to quantify the amount of "excess" water in the lake in very good water years for sale in a way that would ensure the lake level was healthy on the back half of the irrigation season. Several options were discussed including a way to write into a policy/contract that the water was revocable by the Agency if conditions changed. Any water would be declared excess in the spring and would not be available in average/below average water years. An action item will be presented at the meeting of March 16th.

Lake/Snow report The lake is at 1908 AF, SWE is 142% of average and Precipitation is 119% of average. Soil moisture is at 45%.

Committee Report None.

Items from staff Art said that the preliminary report from Bowen Collins suggests an increase in our annual payment from \$85k to \$105k. The State agreed to continue the 1.15% loan for an additional 5 years. Moab City impact fees will increase from \$1152 per ERU to approximately \$1329.00. He will present the final numbers when he receives their official report. There is one applicant for the SVWSID position. The deadline for submitting letters of interest is March 6th. The new commercial sewer bills mailed on Wednesday. Dana said that there is a form a customer may fill out to have their ERU's recalculated/reconsidered.

Items from board members None.

Closed session if necessary None.

President Pyatt declared the meeting adjourned. Hearing no objections; the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Dan Pyatt, Chairman

Art Wollenweber, Secretary/Treasurer