

**Fruitland Special Service District
Special Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2025 – 5:00 PM
District Office – 3186 W 45000 S, Fruitland, UT**

1. Call to Order

Chairwoman Vicki Savage called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Board members present included Vicki Savage, Mike Wilkerson, Steven Hille, Bartley Morrell, Judy Wilkerson. Brock with Jones & DeMille Engineering and Corbin Gordon with Gordon law joined via Zoom .

2. CIB & EQUAG Funding Update

- It was confirmed that the district is **not eligible** for EQUAG funding.
- A **CIB application is in progress** for both the Upper Mill Hollow Treatment Facility (to address the GWUDI compliance order) and a separate application for the Water Rights Acquisition.
- Jones & DeMille provided an update on engineering efforts and shared details regarding the Upper Mill Hollow chlorination project.
- The board discussed additional funding sources, including the Division of Drinking Water and USDA Rural Development. While these sources are unlikely to fund water acquisitions directly, staff will continue exploring options for any potential support.

3. Water Rights Acquisition Discussion

- The board reviewed the **proposed purchase agreement** for 121 acre-feet of water with a **down payment of \$100,000** and a purchase price of **\$7,000 per acre-foot**.
- Attorney Corbin Gordon is drafting a contract for board consideration, contingent on final approval.
- Discussion followed regarding potential **lease arrangements with Central Utah Water Conservancy District** and how those could impact the district's long-term water security.

4. Approval Item

- **Motion** by Mike Wilkerson to approve the installation of a water meter for **Brian and Marsha Walker**.
- **Seconded** by Steven Hille.
- **All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

5. Next Steps and Board Decision

- The board discussed the **urgency of securing water rights**, emphasizing the rare opportunity and long-term value for the district.
- It was agreed that staff would move forward with submitting the **CIB application for water acquisition** as a priority.

- A **motion** was made by Bartley Morrell to authorize staff and legal counsel to **proceed with drafting the purchase agreement for water acquisition**, contingent on successful funding and final board approval.
- **Seconded** by Mike Wilkerson.
- **All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting Adjourned at 5:48 PM