



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- TIME & PLACE** Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. the Board of Trustees of the South Ogden Conservation District convened in a regular monthly meeting. This meeting was held at the district office located at 471 West 2nd Street, Ogden, Utah.
- ROLL CALL**
- BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**
Joseph J. Bauman (Chairman)
Brad Wheeler (Trustee)
Sam Hood (Trustee)
- STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**
Jeff Humphrey (General Manager/Treasurer)
Tamera Martinson (Office Manager/Secretary Clerk)
- OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**
Mark Hodson (President, Ogden River Water Users' Association)
David Humphreys (Chairman, Weber-Box Elder Conservation District)
- OATH** Sam Hood of Precinct #2 agreed to the "Oath of Office" administered by Tamera Martinson, Secretary.
- ELECTION** The position of the Board Chairman for the South Ogden Conservation District was discussed. Brad Wheeler made a motion to have Joseph Bauman continue to serve as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the South Ogden Conservation District. Sam Hood seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Joseph Bauman, Brad Wheeler, and Sam Hood voting in the affirmative.
- MINUTES** Sam Hood made a motion to approve the minutes of December 9, 2025. Brad Wheeler seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Joseph Bauman, Brad Wheeler, and Sam Hood voting in the affirmative.
- WATER** Jeff Humphrey gave a report on the water situation. Precipitation for December was 2.75 inches and the new snow recorded for the month was 4.8 inches. In addition, January recorded 3.38 inches of precipitation with 3 inches of new snow. The soil moisture was 118% of normal. The Ogden River Water Users' Association had 22,016-acre feet of water at the end of December.

UASD REP

Sam Hood made a motion to appoint Jeff Humphrey to be the district's representative for the Utah Association of Special Districts and to have Tamera Martinson serve as an alternate representative. He also motioned to approve and pay the dues to the UASD for 2026. Brad Wheeler seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Joseph Bauman, Brad Wheeler, and Sam Hood voting in the affirmative.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Jeff Humphrey gave the manager's report. He discussed the following:

Metering & Construction:

- Total meters on portal: **6,900**
- Bridge construction to resume installations after inventory audit.
- Meter contractors: Bridge Construction and MJM Construction

Financial / Bond Update:

- Bond closing targeted for **March**
- Public notice will be published for 30 days.
- ARPA funds to be used prior to bond draw.
- Expenditures will be reimbursed post-closing.

Operations:

- Crews are performing annual maintenance on vehicles and equipment.
- Master planning underway with Keller Associates
- Standards & specs update in progress with Bowen & Collins

Legislative Update:

- Monitoring multiple water-related bills (approx. 13 identified)
- **HB 155 – Water Rate Amendments** under review
- Water loss reporting requirements anticipated.
- Potential future requirements for source metering
- Floating solar reservoir proposal discussed (unlikely to advance)
- Aquifer replenishment legislation introduced.
- UWIP program updates pending; fees expected this session.
- Lobbyists are engaged to track legislation affecting districts.

BOARD COMMENTS

A reminder was given about the upcoming Utah Water Users Workshop which will be held on March 16th – 18th in Saint George, Utah.

BILLS

The attached list of bills for December/January was approved for payment upon the motion of Brad Wheeler and the motion was seconded by Sam Hood. The motion was approved with Joseph Bauman, Brad Wheeler, and Sam Hood voting in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. with a motion from Brad Wheeler. The motion was seconded by Sam Hood and unanimously passed.

Submitted by:
/Tamera Martinson/, Secretary-Clerk