



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- TIME & PLACE** Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. the Board of Trustees of the Weber-Box Elder Conservation District convened in a regular monthly meeting. This meeting was held in the district office at 471 West 2nd Street, Ogden, Utah.
- ROLL CALL**
- BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**
David S. Humphreys (Chairman)
Paul W. Nelson (Vice Chairman)
David R. Hall
James Hill
Randy Weston
- 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)
Joseph Bauman (Chairman, South Ogden Conservation District)
Rex Carpenter – AE2S Engineering
Travis Taylor – Harvest Cove, LLC
Colton Bryan – Harvest Cove, LLC
- OATH** David Humphreys (Precinct #2) and Randy Weston (Precinct #4) agreed to the “Oath of Office” administered by Tamera Martinson.
- ELECTION** The positions of the Board Chairman and the Board Vice Chairman were discussed. James Hill made a motion to retain David Humphreys as the Chairman and Paul Nelson as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Weber-Box Elder Conservation District. David Hall seconded the motion. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, James Hill, David Hall, and Randy Weston passed the motion with an affirmative vote.
- MINUTES** The minutes of December 9, 2025, were approved upon the motion of Paul Nelson and seconded by James Hill. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill, and Randy Weston passed the motion with an affirmative vote.
- 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

David Hall made a motion to appoint Tamera Martinson as the district's representative to the Utah Association of Special Districts and to have Jeff Humphrey serve as an alternate. In addition, he motioned to approve and pay the dues for 2026. James Hill seconded the motion. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill, and Randy Weston passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

PETITIONS

Petition 3621 – Steve & Julie Barker

- 2260 W 1850 N, Farr West, Utah
- One lot
- Turning over 10 shares of Plain City Irrigation

Petition 3622 – Kent D. Hurd

- 4475 W 2575 N, Plain City, Utah
- One lot
- Turning over 6 shares of Plain City Irrigation

Petition 3623 – Harvest Cove, LLC

- Approx: 1661 N, Washington Blvd, Ogden, Utah
- North Ogden Meadows Townhomes
- PRUD
- Turning over 2.5 shares of North Ogden Irrigation

Motion: David Hall made a motion to allow Petitions 3621, 3622, & 3623 into the district provided that the required water shares are turned over to the district. James Hill seconded the motion. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill, and Randy Weston passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

MORATORIUM

Temporary Moratorium – Perry Service Area

The Board discussed capacity limitations within the Perry service area based on recent water modeling and infrastructure constraints. The current system is operating at or beyond designed capacity, particularly in pump-served zones, and cannot reliably support additional connections without major upgrades.

Key factors included:

- Insufficient system capacity to serve new connections at current pressure and storage levels.
- Ongoing financial obligations related to the meter project and multiple active bonds.

- Significant projected costs for required upgrades, including pump station expansion and new storage reservoirs.
- Need to complete the district's Master Plan and identify funding opportunities before allowing further growth.
- Risk of developments proceeding without secondary water infrastructure, creating long-term service and equity issues

The Board determined that allowing additional connections would be unfair to existing customers and could compromise system reliability. To allow time for planning, modeling, and funding, the Board approved a temporary moratorium on new growth and new connections in the Perry service area. The moratorium will remain in effect until completion of the Master Plan and identification of viable funding options.

Motion: James Hill made the motion to approve a temporary moratorium on new growth and new connections in the Perry service area. The moratorium will remain in effect until completion of the Master Plan and identification of viable funding options. David Hall seconded the motion. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill, and Randy Weston passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

MANAGER'S REPORT

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

Meter Project Update:

- All meter installations have paused until the inventory audit has been completed.
- Inventory audit is expected to be completed by next week.
- Contractors scheduled to resume work on February 2nd.

Upcoming Projects:

- Unit B: 998 meters
- Unit C: 914 meters
- RFQ process used to pre-qualify contractors.
- Scoring in progress; selection expected by Thursday
- Ormond Construction to complete remaining ~150 meters in Unit J

Bonding & Finance:

- Bond closing targeted for March
- Public notice to be advertised for 30 days as required.
- All expenditures prior to bond closing will be reimbursed.
 - ARPA funds to be used first.
 - Expenditures credited toward the district's 6% state obligation.
- Bond counsel confirmed reimbursement protection multiple times.

Master Planning:

- Keller Associates actively working on the joint Master Plan for:
 - Ogden River Water Users' Association
 - South Ogden Conservation District
 - Weber-Box Elder Conservation District
- Pump station data, pump curves, and water models are being incorporated.
- Additional modeling to be completed where gaps exist.

North Ogden Canal Coordination:

- Multiple meetings held with North Ogden Irrigation Company
- A proposed solution includes:
 - Identifying unused water shares tied to non-developed properties.
 - Creating a voluntary seller list
 - Facilitating acquisition of shares when new applicants require service.
- This approach would streamline future requests and improve coordination.

COMMENTS

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

The State of Utah Department of Natural Resources will be holding the meeting regarding the Ogden River Distribution System on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. at the association office at 471 West 2nd Street, Ogden, Utah.

In addition, a reminder was given about next month's board meeting time change. The meeting will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10th. The Ogden River Water Users' Association's Annual Meeting will be held at 10 a.m. that same day.

BILLS

The attached certified list of bills for December/January were presented for approval upon the motion of James Hill. Paul Nelson seconded the motion. David Humphreys, Paul Nelson, David Hall, James Hill, and Randy Weston passed the motion with an affirmative vote.

ADJOURNED

Having no other items to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. with a motion from Paul Nelson. The motion was seconded by James Hill and unanimously passed by those in attendance.

Submitted by:

/Tamera Martinson/, Secretary-Clerk