MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

TIME & PLACE

Tuesday, August 11, 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)
Chris Edwards (AE2S Engineering)

MINUTES

The minutes of July 14, 2026, were approved upon the motion from 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 July was .22 inches, and there was .06 inches month-to-date. The Ogden River Water Users' Association had an allotment of 32,320-acre feet of water at the end of July.

Jeff reported that Weber Basin had exhausted its Pineview Reservoir allocation as of the meeting date. Weber Basin has requested to lease approximately **3,600 acre-feet** of water from the Ogden River Water Users' Association to continue irrigation deliveries through the remaining irrigation season. The initial amount reflected Weber Basin's internal approval limit and additional water may require Board authorization.

PETITIONS

Petitions 3666-3685 (see attached) were presented to the Board.

After board discussion, David Hall made a motion to allow the inclusions into the district provided that the required water is 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.

CONSTRUCTION Jeff Humphrey presented the construction update.

Meter Project: Jeff Humphrey reported that the secondary meter installation project continues to progress with five contractors installing meters. There are currently 22,279 meters on the portal.

Harrisville Road Railroad Crossing Project: The project is pending approval, with construction anticipated to begin near the end of August. The district has a contractor ready to begin installing connections for all the inclusions along the two roads.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Jeff Humphrey presented the General Manager's Report.

July was a very active month, with significant progress on infrastructure planning, development projects, system maintenance, staffing, and regional water issues.

Master Plan: Continued coordination with the engineering firm on pressure zones, future projects, and anticipated growth. WBECD is expected to experience substantial growth over the next 10 years, particularly above North Ogden, South Willard, Perry, and western areas. The master plan will identify needed reservoirs, pump stations, and infrastructure upgrades to accommodate this growth.

Perry Reservoir: The project remains scheduled for the September CIB funding agenda. Efforts are underway to secure property from Geneva. Alternative sites with private landowners will be considered if necessary.

Standards & Specifications: Bowen Collins is expected to provide final documents by September 1st after incorporating the District's red lines.

Sage Creek Development: Updated modeling determined the proposed reservoir needs to double in size following its relocation from Dixie Creek. Construction is awaiting clarification of several pumphouse design details.

West Weber Development: Management continues participating in county master planning discussions as developers consider WBECD as the secondary water provider for future developments.

Maintenance & Operations: Crews have remained busy responding to seasonal leaks. Increased meter installations have reduced system-wide outages by allowing individual properties to be shut off rather than entire blocks.

Vegetation Control: The Weber County Inmate Program is assisting at no cost with vegetation control, primarily along ORWUA pipelines and canals, as well as around reservoirs and pump stations.

Ogden City Pipeline Project: Negotiations continue on the agreement between ORWUA, WBWCD, BOR, and Ogden City. Significant concerns remain regarding revisions to the latest draft, and a meeting among the attorneys is being recommended. Until a new agreement is finalized, operations may need to follow the existing 1970 agreement.

End-of-Season Water Operations: The goal is to provide secondary water to the District through October 1st and potentially October 15th where system pressure permits. Unit A may be shut down on September 15th to expedite meter-project work. Plain City (Unit K) will remain operational as long as water remains available in the Willard Canal.

Staffing: An update was provided to the Board on staffing changes that have occurred over the past several months, including recent hires to fill open positions.

Legislative Representation: Jeff Humphrey accepted a nomination to serve on the Legislative Water Development Committee, pending Legislative Management approval. This would provide valuable representation for the company and other area irrigation organizations during the legislative process.

Overall, July focused heavily on preparing for future growth while maintaining current system reliability, advancing major capital projects, coordinating regional agreements, and strengthening staffing and industry representation.

COMMENTS An announcement was made regarding the passing of Paul Hodson, a former board member of the District. Paul's dedicated service and contributions to the district are appreciated, and he will be greatly missed.

BILLS The attached certified list of bills for July/August 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 3:55 p.m. with a motion from Paul Nelson. The motion was seconded by David Hall and unanimously passed by those in attendance.

Submitted by:
/Tamera Martinson/, Secretary-Clerk