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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TIME & PLACE The Board of Directors of the Ogden River Water Users' Association (ORWUA) convened in a regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the association office at 471 West 2nd Street, Ogden, Utah.

ROLL CALL

DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:
Mark G. Hodson (President) – via telephone
David S. Humphreys (1st Vice President)
Paul W. Nelson
Joseph Bauman
Brady Herd
James Hill
Mike Humphreys
Marvin Farrell

EXCUSED: William G. Holt (2nd Vice President)

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Jeff Humphrey (General Manager)
Tamera Martinson (Office Manager/Secretary-Treasurer)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Gary Henrie (Bureau of Reclamation)

CONDUCTING 1st Vice President David Humphreys conducted the meeting and welcomed all in attendance.

MINUTES Director Paul Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes from September 15, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Mike Humphreys and unanimously passed.

WATER REPORT September precipitation totaled 1.99 inches, while October precipitation reached 2.60 inches, primarily from storms during the preceding four days. The reservoir elevation was 4,832.1 feet (2,130 acre-feet), with efforts underway to maintain an elevation near 4,832 feet to provide a buffer below the 4,835-foot Ogden pipeline's construction project limit.

The Association began September with 18,976 acre-feet in storage and reached the target elevation of 4,835 feet on September 14th. Water deliveries continued as long as possible, with the dam shut down on September 28th.

Annual water leases included 3,600 acre-feet to Weber Basin, 3,044 acre-feet to Hooper Irrigation, and an estimated 13,060 acre-feet to Great Salt Lake. Final figures were pending review by the River Commissioner. The remaining power water balance at the end of September was 3,278 acre-feet from the 13,128 acre-feet purchased earlier in the year.

3rd QUARTER BUDGET VS. ACTUAL

The Secretary, Tamera Martinson, presented and reviewed the third quarter's actual expenditures compared to the 2026 Budget. Following Board discussion, Director Joseph Bauman made a motion to accept the third quarter review. The motion was seconded by Director Brady Herd and unanimously passed.

LONGEVITY RAISE

Jeff Humphrey recommended a one-time 5% longevity raise for Shane Zarkou in accordance with personnel policy. Shane and his foreman provided letters supporting the request. Shane has served for 27 years and has been at the maximum of his pay grade for approximately ten years. The Board recognized his operational knowledge, qualifications for canal treatment, and dedication. Staff explained that he would remain eligible for cost-of-living adjustments.

Director James Hill made a motion to approve the one-time 5% longevity raise. The motion was seconded by Director Mike Humphreys and unanimously passed. The Board requested that staff convey their appreciation to Shane for his service.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

President Mark Hodson asked Director David Humphreys, Director Joseph Bauman, and Director Paul Nelson to serve with him on the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee Meeting was scheduled for November 9th at 10:00 a.m.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Pipeline Construction and Reservoir Operations

The Ogden Pipeline Project is progressing ahead of schedule. The reservoir must remain below the 4,835-foot elevation during construction. Releases were increased to 50 cfs to maintain the reservoir near 4,832 feet and provide a buffer for precipitation. Minor adjustments to releases are anticipated throughout the construction period.

Dam Maintenance

The low reservoir elevation has provided an opportunity to complete maintenance at the dam. The spillway chute has been cleaned, SCADA transducer work is nearing completion, and the new staff gauges are being installed. The Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) conducted a drone survey of

the reservoir floor, with two additional surveys planned during construction and reservoir refilling.

Water Deliveries

Water deliveries ended earlier than anticipated due to declining reservoir levels and fish entering the pipeline and canal systems. Canal deliveries ceased on September 23rd, and the Pioneer pipeline was closed September 28th. Significant numbers of fish were found in the canal, creating operational concerns.

Canal Assessment

Crews are cleaning fish and debris from the canal siphons in preparation for AE2S to complete its assessment. Once completed, critical areas will be prioritized, and discussions with federal and state representatives regarding funding and canal enclosure will resume.

Master Plan

The Master Plan remains on schedule for completion in early 2027.

SCADA Grant

The SCADA grant was originally scheduled to close at the end of September. With a few items remaining, BOR is pursuing an extension into 2027 to allow completion of the original scope of work.

OTHER None

BILLS The attached certified list of bills for the Ogden River Water Users' Association for September/October was approved for payment upon a motion by Director James Hill. The motion was seconded by Director Marvin Farrell and unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m. with a motion from Director Paul Nelson. The motion was seconded by Director Joseph Bauamn and unanimously passed.

Submitted by:
/Tamera Martinson/, Secretary-Treasurer