

# Our Water. Our Future. Our Choice.

The District's purposes include planning for and facilitating the long-term conservation, development, protection, distribution, management, and stabilization of water rights and water supplies for domestic, irrigation, power, manufacturing, municipal, recreational, and other beneficial uses, including the natural stream environment, in a cost-effective way to meet the needs of the residents and growing population of Cache County.

## CACHE WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES September 4, 2024

The Cache Water District Board of Trustees convened for a regular meeting on Sept. 4, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the Cache County Historic Courthouse Council Chambers, 199 North Main Street, Logan, Utah.

## MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN ATTENDANCE:

Jared Clawson – At-Large Position Kirt Lindley – At-Large Position Max Pierce – North Council District Brett Roper – At Large Position Regan Wheeler – Agricultural Representative

## MEMBERS OF THE BOARD EXCUSED:

Mark Anderson – Logan #3 Council Jonathan Hardman – South Council District Beth Neilson – Southeast Council District Jeff Ostermiller - Logan #1 Council District Bret Randall – Northeast Council District Jeannie Simmonds – Logan #2 Council District

## **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Eric Franson

## \*\*There was not a quorum in attendance, no votes were taken\*\*

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pierce called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### PUBLIC INPUT

No comments.

#### CALENDAR EVENTS

- Sept. 5 Utah Water Task Force @ 2:00 p.m.
- Sept. 11 Cutler Pump Back @ 10:00 a.m. Cache Events Center
- Sept. 11 Great Salt Lake Advisory @ 10:30 a.m.
- Sept. 23 CWD Fall Social @ 6:00 p.m.

## MANAGER'S REPORT

## PL-566 Projects Update

<u>Logan River Watershed</u> being finalized. The preferred alternative moving forward will the First Dam Alternative. If it is changed to another option, the EIS covers both. The hope with getting information out is to dispel any rumors and answer any questions.

Wellsville Mendon is moving forward and working with some landowners.

## Tax Increase Schedule

Notification to the County Tax Administrator has been completed. The County will take care of completing the flier and will handle all the public noticing requirements. (CWD will be billed for associated costs. The public meeting will be in November; cannot have it before the public mailer is sent out. The November meeting will include public hearings for the tax increase and the budget. If the tax increase resolution is approved, the information will be sent to the State Tax Commission.

## **State Funding For Water Studies**

There is funding (~\$20 million) available for water infrastructure projects throughout the state. Rep. Snyder would like to see some of this funding spent in Cache Valley, however, there are no "shovel ready" projects. He suggested that CWD submit to do some further studies for future water storage. The funding was approved, so now the Board needs to decide if the contract should be signed to move forward; it is just under \$800,000. This could help with more in-depth studies, including Hyrum Dam. Because there is not quorum, a decision cannot be voted on tonight.

#### Slow the Flow

The District has participated in this program since CWD's inception at \$10,000/annually. This is the last year of the program, which will now switch over to the Utah Water Users (private/public partnership) and will be re-branded. CWD will likely get more services once the new entity takes over. The Board needs to decide whether or not to continue participation in the program. It might be beneficial for the new Outreach Coordinator position.

#### FINALIZE TAX INCREASE FLIER

The Executive Committee met to work on a 1-page flier outlining the details of the tax increase. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

## ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.