

Central Iron County Water Conservancy District  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 19, 2017



**Board Members**

Brent Hunter – Chairman  
Rick Bonzo – Vice Chair  
Paul Cozzens  
Tim Watson  
Spencer Jones

**District Staff**

Paul Monroe – General Manager  
Mandi Williams – Office Manager  
John Juergens - Operator  
Tracy Feltner – Operator  
  
Kelly Crane-District Engineer  
Curtis Neilson– District Engineer  
Justin Wayment-District Legal Council

**Others In Attendance**

County Commissioner-Mike Bleak  
Tracie Sullivan-Reporter  
Roice Nelson-Cedar City Resident  
Tom Miller-Chekshani Cliffs  
Catherine Jensen-Chekshani Cliffs  
Murice Brown-Chekshani Cliffs

**CALL TO ORDER:** Board Chairman called the meeting to order. 6:35 pm **(6:06)**  
Board Member Cozzens led the pledge, Curtis Neilson offered the invocation.

**DECLARATION OF ABSTENTIONS AND/OR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BY BOARD MEMBERS:** Board Member Jones has a conflict with agenda item #7, he will abstain from the discussion or action. **(8:05)**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING HELD DECEMBER 15, 2016:** Board Member Cozzens moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held December 15, 2016; Second by Board Member Bonzo.  
Motion Unanimous **(8:35)**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS AND ADJUSTMENTS FROM DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2017.** **(8:30)** Board Member Bonzo moved to approve the payment of bills and the register for the month. Second by Board Member Cozzens.

Motion Unanimous at 6:42 **(12:45)**

**REVIEW 2016 FINANCIALS:** •Monroe-Discussed the final weeks of 2016 as far as operational budgeting and capital budgets. **(14:40)**

*Tim Watson and Justin Wayment arrived at 6:42PM*

**REVIEW 2017 FINANCIALS-**•Monroe-At only a couple of weeks into the new year there is not a lot of discussion other than I would like the Board to be aware that because of the payroll

end date from the last payroll of 2016 we will have one additional payroll period in the 2017 year. (15:40)

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:** •Monroe-(16:00)

Briefly discussed the Ground Water Management Plan Committee and what they will be tasked with. •Monroe-Thanked Paul Cozzens for his article that he submitted to the papers.

6:49pm Paul Cozzens made a statement about how he would like to get better figures on water rights and how much water Cedar City could lose if water rights are cut back. (20:30)

•Monroe-We have included the Vehicle Maintenance report for 2016 that was requested by the Board for you to look over. I have also been talking with other entities about their fleet plans for their vehicles. Discussion on the District purchasing policy and keeping our monies local lasted for several minutes. 6:56 PM (27:05)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** •Tom Miller representing Chekshani Cliffs subdivision spoke about the water quality in their area. It has been suggested to the people in the subdivision that if the well was deeper there would be less hardness in the water that is so negatively affecting their water. Mr. Miller would like to ask the Board to improve the current well; they asked to be a part of the process. The home owners in that area have been spending a substantial amount of money every year to replace the plumbing, hot water heaters, and water softeners. (30:40)

•Monroe-gave a brief overview of the conversations and agreements that have been going on between CICWCD and New Harmony Ridge. 7:01 PM (32:29). •Monroe-Assured the residents that District is aware and understand the issues the community is facing in Chekshani Cliffs. Monroe encouraged Mr. Miller to get a feel for what the overall community feeling and if they would be to help pay for new infrastructure.

•Mr. Miller- Stated that he could only speak for himself, but he believed a majority would be willing to pay a little more each month if it meant having a better quality water source. 7:05PM (36:40)

*Tracie Sullivan arrived at 7:05PM*

•Roice Nelson-I live in the Seasons subdivision, I would like to publicly state that I liked the article that was submitted to the paper. However, I would like to discuss some of the numbers for the cost of water from the West Desert. •Roice suggested that the District continue to explore getting water from the mountains east and west of Cedar City. •Monroe reminded Roice that the District has spent over a million dollars studying the basin and the Hydrologist and Geologist report do not support his proposals. •Hunter The District cannot spend taxpayer money on these projects where the science does not support it. Discussion between the Board Members and Roice Nelson continues for several minutes. (57:05) until 7:26 PM

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF WAIVING THE IMPACT FEE AND CONNECTION FEE FOR A COMMUNITY PARK WITHIN THE WESTVIEW**

**SUBDIVISION:** (57:12) •Monroe- read the email from Ryan Riddle HOA President of the Westview Subdivision which requested the District waiving the impact fee for a community park within the Westview subdivision. . •Jones-I would like to disclose that my abstention is due to the fact that I own lots in that area and a few homes. I would however like to state that I do have an issue with Public monies being used in one specific area.

Board Member Cozzens motions to deny this request. Second by Board Member Watson Motion Unanimous at 7:29 PM (1:00:20) Board Member Jones abstained

**CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A SETTLEMENT OF PROTEST AND JOINT AGREEMENT: BETWEEN CICWCD AND NEW HARMONY RIDGE, LC.**

•Monroe-This

agenda item has been discussed heavily throughout December. ▪Wayment-we have held all the meetings and discussed all concerns at this point we feel that this is a win for all parties involved. Board Member Bonzo motioned to approve the agreement between CICWCD and New Harmony Ridge, LC. Second by Board Member Cozzens.

Unanimous at 7:34 (1:04:50)

*Residents of Chekshani Cliffs left the meeting at 7:34PM*

**AQUIFER RECHARGE: UPDATE, DISCUSSION & THE CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE QUICHAPA RECHARGE DIVERSION STRUCTURE:**

▪Monroe-I would like to turn the time over to our Engineers to discuss the bid awarding. ▪Nielson-Ensign Engineering recommends that we award the bid to Progressive Contracting in St. George. ▪Watson-Do we have local preference? CSMI is a local business. ▪Crane-They gave us a business address in Panguitch, UT. ▪Watson-Clint Christensen is local. ▪Crane-I just spoke with Clint Christensen of CSMI, he does have an office here and also holds a Cedar City Business License. He agreed that he would match the low bid. ▪Jones I would like to motion that we award the bid to CSMI as a local bidder, with an agreement to match the low bid. With the bid to include a timeline start date and end date. Second by Board Member Bonzo.

Unanimous at 7:56 PM (1:27:20) Board Member Watson abstained from voting on this motion.

**AQUIFER BALANCE & WATER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS: DISTRICT WELL**

**#2** ▪Nielson-I have been in contact with Aaron Grimshaw regarding District #2 well, 8:00 PM they are doing investigation and dependent on that investigation we will be able to decide how to move forward. (1:31:32)

▪Monroe-I think that we have to be thorough in our checking on what damage they have done in that well before we sign off on the job.(1:32:30)

**SUBSIDENCE MONITORING:** ▪Monroe-We are going to install those monuments as soon as we get a chance to have them installed. We have the permission from the Jones' to install the monuments as soon as possible. (1:33:35)

**WAH WAH AND PINE VALLEY:** ▪Monroe-Gardner's are supposed to be finishing up on the last two test wells this week. ▪Feltner-They are going to test #12 and #7.

Discussion on the progress and continued work in the Pine Valley area continues for several minutes. 8:12 PM (1:43:35)

▪ Cozzens-I would like to take a trip out there next week. ▪Crane-we are going to be out there while they are testing #12. 8:15PM (1:46:05)

**WATER CONSERVATION:** ▪Monroe-We have our 4<sup>th</sup> Grade water fair coming up on March 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> it is a little earlier this year. We'd love to have everyone there. (1:46:45)

**BOARD MEMBERS REPORT:** ▪ None

▪Hunter-we'd like to recognize our new Commissioner. Mr. Bleak do you want to say anything?

▪Bleak-I am just trying to get the lay of the land, and wrap my mind around everything. I am happy to be here. (1:48:20)

**ENGINEERING REPORT:** ▪Nothing additional to report (1:48:30)

**Board Member Jones motioned to move from regular session to executive session;**

**Second by Board Member Bonzo. 8:18 PM (1:49:04)**  
**Motion unanimous at 8:19 PM**

**Roll Call as follows:**

**Watson-Aye**  
**Cozzens-Aye**  
**Jones-Aye**  
**Bonzo-Aye**  
**Hunter-Aye**

**Board Member Watson motioned to adjourn closed session and resume regular session board meeting Second by Board Member Jones at 9:36 PM**

**Board Member Bonzo motioned to adjourn regular session board meeting Second by Board Member Watson at 9:36 PM**