

Central Iron County Water Conservancy District  
Board Meeting Minutes  
June 15, 2023



**Board Members**

Brent Hunter  
Tyler Melling  
David Harris  
Tyler Allred  
Terri Hartley  
Andy McCrae

**District Staff**

Paul Monroe-General Manager  
Mandi Williams-Office Manager  
Tracy Feltner-Water Operator  
Jeff McKee-Water Operator  
Tyler Glover- Water Operator  
Christy Tullis-Billing Clerk  
Jessica Staheli – PR Manager  
Kesten Steadman-Intern  
Kelly Crane – District Engineer

**Others in Attendance**

**CALL TO ORDER:** ▪Board Member Hunter called the meeting to order at 6:29 PM. Christy Tullis lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Kelly Crane offered the invocation.

**DECLARATION OF ABSTENTIONS AND/OR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BY BOARD MEMBERS:** ▪None.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING HELD May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023:**

**Board Member Harris moved to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting held May 18, 2023. Second by Board Member McCrea. Motion Unanimous at 6:31 PM. (5:27)**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS AND ADJUSTMENTS May 12, 2023 THROUGH June 8, 2023:**

▪Williams- highlighted a payment to Amen Diesel for work on the brakes on the dump truck. Payments to Cedar Valley Pumps finishing up on the Sunset Well. Items highlighted in light red those are fire hydrant security deposit refunds. The yearly payment to Remote Control Systems. A payment to Townsquare Media for the radio station broadcast for the Water Festival. Payment to Transcon this invoice represents approximately 93% of the total project. 83% of Transcon’s budget has been billed and 94 % of Formations budget has been billed. Yearly payment to USGS for ground water monitoring out at the West Desert. Payment to the division of Water Rights for Pine Valley and Wah Wah. Payment to Wheeler rental- got a new backhoe and new lease will have another payment. Payment for the last truck, delay on delivery for it. Payment to Zions Public Finance for the anticipated bond.

Credits & Debits register- ▪Williams highlighted a couple of contractors have had to pay because they left the lids off of the water barrels.

**Board Member Harris moved to approve the payment of bills from May 12, 2023 through June 8, 2023. Second by Board Member Hartley. Motion Unanimous at 6:39 PM. (13:39)**

**REVIEW 2023 FINANCIALS** ▪Monroe - highlighted other revenue received \$52,000. \$36,000 was work that was done out at Sunrise, the district paid that out and the money that came in through Henry's Place is where that money came in. Water Festival, Water Fair all of the sponsors for those go into the other revenue line as well. Non-Operating items – slow down on the impact fees, interest revenue is \$157,000 to date. Main Projects- Recharge project have spent \$30,000, Pine Valley \$263,000 of the \$400,000 budgeted, Sunset \$30,000, Water improvement project \$562,000 18” water line to BZI, which is complete, change order for going under the road \$100,000. Highlight how the transactions are happening on the vehicles. The district was able to get 2 trucks from Iron County. The price was \$10,000 there is a credit for a portion of pipe and materials that were used for recharge. There are two notes that were retired with the bond anticipation note, refinanced a couple loans. Bank of Utah \$12,000,000 bond anticipation note where most of the project will be paid out of. Less the loans were refinanced there is an additional \$4,000,000 grant money. The total is \$16,000,000 project money.

**Consider the approval of a Resolution Adopting Final Tax Rates and Budgets**

This is the rate that was published and sent over by the county auditor. The tax rate is down. There is a total of \$78,000 of new growth.

**Board Member Harris moved to approve the Resolution Adopting the Final Tax Rates and Budgets. Second by Board Member McCrea. Motion Unanimous at 6:51 PM. (25:21)**  
**Roll Call as follows:**

**Melling-Aye**  
**Harris-Aye**  
**Hunter-Aye**  
**Allred – Aye**  
**Hartley-Aye**  
**McCrea- Aye**

**Consider A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE DISTRICT TO ADOPT ORDINANCES THAT SUPPORT THE STATEWIDE WATER CONSERVATION INCENTIVE PROGRAMS.**

▪Monroe- There is an alteration. Cedar City has already approved the landscape ordinance change. There are a lot of different opportunities out there. Taking out the stuff that is identified directly to the turf buyback program, based on the feedback from the board last month. ▪Melling the resolution doesn't state all the parameters, lets look at the landscape conservation policies. Harris- There are a number of people in Enoch that are concerned about some of the aspects about it. He has been trying to encourage them be creative and do it.

**Board member Melling moved to approve the Resolution To Encourage The Communities Within The District To Adopt Ordinances That Support The Statewide Water Conservation Incentive Programs. Second by Board Member McCrea. Motion Unanimous. At 6:54 PM (28:15)**

**Roll Call as follows:**

**Melling-Aye  
Harris-Aye  
Hunter-Aye  
Allred – Aye  
Hartley-Aye  
McCrea-Aye**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

**WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:** ▪Monroe –There are two different pressure zones out in the area close to Three Peaks. The Three Peaks water tank is the largest tank at 1 million gallons. Pressure gets reduced at Lund and Midvalley and a PRV station at 4400 W and 4000 N and a booster pump. Water can be pumped from the south end of the valley up to the tank and it can flow back down through that area, it creates a lower pressure zone on a diagonal. The high-pressure zone is all balanced off of the water tank at Bridle Path. This water tank is a little bit low and that is why the new one is being built; it will add about 40lbs of pressure. Most of the growth will probably be down in the valley floor. Planned to put in a water line along 4000 N, the county’s belt route diagonally goes through that area, it is potentially an area that the district could connect to the 18” line. The question is does the district forgo the line on 4000 N? What is the best thing to do for the future, especially as the north end of the basin is being developed and water will have to be brought south. ▪Hunter- Is the city considering developing the north end? ▪Melling-Water resource development is 10 to 50 years out for the city. Monroe- Put a 12” line down 4000 N, look at potentially putting in a 24” line through the belt route section. Following the belt route for the future development going to be getting 100’ right of way. Put in utility easement, it makes things more attractive. The property owners along the proposed belt route are interested in having the water line go in. This is going to be a long-term thinking. ▪Kelly- There have been adjustments throughout the project, the tank has been moved a little bit. Going through the environmental so USDA will buy off on that, design of the components, this fall and winter get out to bid.

**SUNSET SUBDIVISION / HARVEST FIELDS:** ▪Monroe- Sunset is up and running.

**PINE VALLEY WATER SUPPLY PROJECT:** ▪Monroe- Went through the water needs assessment report and the financial business plan, those draft documents were on the board letter. The final comments have been submitted. Update costs and the price of water rights which changed the outlook for the future, more competitive. Lot of good changes in the couple of years during the EIS. Groundwater resource draft document that will be next. ( 59:31)

**WATER CONSERVATION: AQUIFER RECHARGE, REUSE WWTP WATER & SUBSIDENCE MONITORING:**

▪ Monroe- Kelly went out and flew this area with his drone the city pit adjacent to the runway south of Western Rock that water line is the line that the districts operators put in, see how the whole system works, the Schmidt pit is about 40' deep it is at capacity then flows over to the adjacent pit, which is the county pit, channel goes down to pipe. Quichapa pumped to date 610 ac/ft. Tracy can see what TDS is just under 400, lots of water coming from Coal Creek and it is helping it to come down. Right in the middle of Quichapa was about 400 TDS, Shirts Creek was under 400 TDS, at the BLM Quichapa parking it was at 900 TDS. At Western Rock it is just under 4000 ac/ft for the year and has been shut off since June 1<sup>st</sup>. Schmidt diversion shut off last week. Total recharge 6,300 ac/ft today. The Water Festival is Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>. Applied for another grant through the ag optimization. (1:12:05)

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: OPERATIONS & PUBLIC EDUCATION:** ▪ Monroe highlighted- none.

**BOARD MEMBERS REPORT:**

- A. **Cedar City** – ▪McCrea- 2 wells up the canyon. Martins Flat got down to 690 ft and it started artesian flowing. It is flowing above the creek level those two systems aren't hydraulically connected, drilling into a different system. It was flowing enough that a water sample was gathered the results were 800-900 TDS and a huge amount of iron, setting a drillable liner down into bedrock and continue drilling this well to total depth so it would be isolated enough to control the artesian flow. Have to have a system to get hydraulic control of the well. Try to get a more valid isolated sample and see if there is better water, target depth is 900 ft. The Green Hollow well – drilled through formation with air, blowback was really hard. At 600 or 700 ft, hit water and that created problems. There are suitable sites out in Shirts Canyon that the city is looking at.
- B. **Enoch**
- C. **Kanarraville**- ▪Allred- on July 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 15 legislators confirmed looking like 25-30 should show up. Each entity will get limited number for Shakespeare. The Executive Committee will be invited to that. Iron County Tourism bought rooms for the legislators. The District is serving breakfast to the legislators. Can only send 2 helicopters out to Pine Valley, pick the most important six legislators fly out and follow the pipeline. The other 2 helicopters will do rotations and take 3 legislatures out fly them up to Cedar Breaks, down by Kolob Canyon and then out to Port 15. Short presentations and the district will be there, while legislators are waiting there will be booths set up and they can visit them. Wrap up 10:30-11:00. Not asking them for anything, just showing what is going on here. The top 3 legislators are coming, Vickers approved it and it is a legislative event. Bringing a lot of publicity to the county. (1:28:19)

**ENGINEERING REPORT:** ▪ none

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** July 20th

**Board Member Harris motioned to close the regular session and go into a closed session for contracts, imminent litigation, or acquiring real property and/or water rights. Second by Board Member Allred. Motion Unanimous at 7:54 PM.**

**Roll Call as follows:**

**Melling-Aye**

**Harris-Aye**

**Hunter-Aye**

**Allred – Aye**

**Hartley-Aye**

**McCrea-Aye**

**Board Member Harris motioned to adjourn the closed session and resume the regular session Board Meeting. Second by Board Member Melling. Motion unanimous at 8:47 PM.**

**Board Member Harris motioned to adjourn the regular session Board Meeting. Second by Board Member Melling. Motion unanimous at 8:47PM.**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:47 PM.**