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MINUTES

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD

168 North 1950 West, Room 101
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116
Wednesday April 28, 2010

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Dave Echols | Jay Olsen | Merritt Frey |
| Leland Myers | Steve Simpson | Dan Snarr |
| Greg Rowley | Paula Doughty | Darrell Mensel |
| Amanda Smith | | |

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Walt Baker, Faye Bell, Emily Canton, Lisa Nelson, Leah Ann Lamb, Shelly Andrews, John Whitehead, Ed Macauley, Carl Adams, Rob Herbert, Jim Harris, John Cook, Svetlana Kopytkovskiy, Kari Lundeen

OTHERS PRESENT

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Organization Representing</u> |
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| Jim Olson | Brown and Caldwell |
| Aaron Redman | Hydro Qual |
| Clint Rogers | Casollo Engineers |
| Rex Ausburn | Flying J |
| Brett Palmer | Stansbury Park |
| Jason Burningham | Stansbury Park |
| Brendan Thorpe | Stansbury Park |
| Tom Parker | Stansbury Park |
| Karen Nicholas | Stantec |
| Dru Whitlock | CH2M Hill |

Chair Olsen called the Board meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. He welcomed those in attendance and invited the members of the audience to introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 31, 2010 MEETING

Approval of March 31st Board minutes was delayed until the May 26, 2010 Water Quality Board

meeting due to the need for additional clarification.

Executive Secretary's Report:

Mr. Baker asked Ms. Smith to update the Board on the Department Retreat. She said it was agreed that DEQ needed to bring consistency with the GRAMA request policy. She also indicated that all DEQ Board members and Staff need additional training with respect to GRAMA requirements concerning emails.

Mr. Baker informed the Board members that the successful candidate for the Sudweeks Award was Ms. Ann Peralta who was the former Chair of the Bear River/Cutler Reservoir Advisory Committee in Cache Valley. Ms. Peralta has since moved to Arizona but will be back in Salt Lake in August. The Board will present the award to her at that time.

Mr. Baker told the Board that the Department of Environmental Quality and the Division of Water Quality have moved into the new building located at 195 North 1950 West (across the street) which is where all future Board meetings will be held in the new building starting in June.

Due to budget issues all but one existing vacancy will remain left vacant until July. The position formerly occupied by Bill Moellmer is being recruited for at this time. The Board also has two vacancies, one resulting from the retirement of Phil Wright representing the local health departments and the other due to Mayor Lou Ann Christensen decision to not seek re-election. The names of nominees to fill these vacancies have been submitted to the Governors Office for recommendation to the Senate for confirmation.

Certification Council 2010 Annual Report: Mr. Ausburn, Chairman of the Certification Council, presented the 2010 Annual Report. Mr. Olsen asked if the Council could create a report to differentiate between new and inexperienced operators so the Board can understand why more are not passing the exam.

LOAN ITEMS

Financial Assistance Status Report – Ms. Canton updated the Board on the “Summary of Assistance Program Funds,” as outlined on page 3.1.

Stansbury Park Authorization: Ms. Nelson introduced Brett Palmer, Jason Burningham, and Brendan Thorpe from Stansbury Park. The Stansbury Park Improvement District is requesting financial assistance in the amount of \$3,000,000 loan at an interest rate of 2.5% repayable over 20 years to upgrade its existing wastewater treatment facility from a facultative lagoon system to an aerated lagoon system. The district will contribute \$3,633,000 from savings and sewer impact fees toward the project. Ms. Frey wanted the district to know how impressed she is with the amount being contributed by the district towards the project.

Motion: **It was moved by Mr. Myers to approve staff's request adding the following conditions 1) a \$3,000,000 loan at 2.5% if the funds to be used are federal SRF funds; 2) a \$3,000,000 loan at 4.0% if the funds to be used are Utah Wastewater Loan Program; and 3) if the estimated project cost comes in lower than the estimate in the board package, the loan amount will be reduced to reflect the cost allocation of 55% from**

Stansbury Park and 45% from the WQB loan. The motion was seconded by Mr. Simpson and was unanimously approved.

Nutrient Reduction Benefits Study: Ms. Leah Ann Lamb requested the Board approve funding For the Nutrient Reduction Benefits Study that was presented at the work meeting. This Study will evaluate the ecological and socioeconomic benefits of nutrient reductions to assist in nutrient criteria.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Myers to approve a \$300,000 grant for the ecological portion of the nutrient benefits study. He requested that staff return to the Board to request separate funding for the economic portion of the nutrient benefits study once RFPs have been received and a better cost is established. The motion was seconded by Ms. Frey and was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

East Canyon Stream restoration Project using funds from Central Weber SID Presentation: Mr. Loveless and Kari Lundeen gave a presentation of the East Canyon Stream restoration Project.

Recognition Awards: Mr. Olsen asked Mayor Lou Ann Christensen to come up to be recognized for her service on the Water Quality Board. Mayor Christensen has served on the Water Quality Board for one year representing the Municipal Government.

**-NEXT MEETING –
Wednesday, May 26, 2010 12:30 p.m.
at Eagle Mountain City Hall, 1650 E. Stage Coach Run
Eagle Mountain, Utah 84005**

Jay Olsen, Chairman
Utah Water Quality Board