

1 **Mt. Nebo Water Agency Board Meeting**

2 November 18, 2019

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4 **Board Members:** Chairman Gene Shawcroft, CUWCD; Brett Christensen, Payson City; Boyd Warren,  
5 SHLCC; Marty Larsen, Genola City; Warren Peterson, GVLG; Howard Chuntz, Salem City; Chad Argyle,  
6 Spanish Fork City; Richard Nielson, Utah County

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8 **Board Alternates:** Nick Miller, Santaquin City

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10 **Technical Committee:** Chris Hansen, CUWCD; Bruce Ward, Salem City, Travis Jockumsen, Payson City;  
11 Norm Beagley, Santaquin City; Chris Thompson, Spanish Fork City

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13 **Staff:** S. Junior Baker, Steve Clyde, Allison Taylor

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15 **Public present:** John Waters, Spanish Fork City; Steve Jones, HAL; Jared Hansen, CUWCD; David  
16 Pitcher, CUWCD

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18 Chairman Gene Shawcroft called the meeting to order 7:32 a.m.

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20 Chairman Shawcroft invited public comment. There was none.

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22 Howard Chuntz **moved** to **approve** the minutes of August 19, 2019. **Seconded** by Richard Nielsen and the motion  
23 **passed** with all in favor.

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25 **Technical Committee Report**

26 **a. Groundwater Management Plan; Status Update**

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28 Chris Hansen stated they have met as a committee and have some ideas. They have put them on the  
29 agenda as action items for place holders to act if they needed to at the discretion of the board.

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31 **Action on Technical Committee Report**

32 **a. Approve a New Project for Groundwater Well Tabulation and Monitoring, as well as the**  
33 **Allocation and Budgeting of Costs**

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35 First is the collection of well data they had a scope of work and budget from Hansen, Allen and Luce. It  
36 might be \$20,000 for the project. They would like to collect well data put it in format that could be  
37 monitored. They thought the Central Utah Water Conservatory District would pay half and then they could  
38 split the remaining cost among the entities. Junior Baker stated they have a balance for the regional water  
39 study of \$20,000 that they could move over to this project. Warren Peterson asked if this would monitor all  
40 the water levels in the wells. Chris replied it would, it would give them a better idea of what is out there.

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42 Warren Peterson **moved** to proceed with the scope of work document for well data collection. Howard  
43 Chuntz **seconded** and the motion **passed** with all in favor.

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45 Chris Hansen asked if they wanted that ready in February. Warren Peterson asked them to put it together  
46 and get it out to the board.

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48 **b. Approve the Hiring of an Engineering Firm for Mt. Nebo Activities, with Emphasis on a**  
49 **Groundwater Plan and Monitoring of Groundwater Applications**

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51 There was a discussion on the procurement policy and whether to follow a city or the district's policy.  
52 Howard Chuntz asked what they have done before. Chris Hansen replied they have followed the districts.  
53 Junior Baker stated we can follow any of our member's policies. Warren Peterson said we need to have a  
54 scope of work before we can move forward, he doesn't feel like they should act on these items today.

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56 Howard Chuntz **moved** to authorize the technical committee to move forward to get information to allow the  
57 board to make a decision on a firm to represent item b and item c for the board to review at the next  
58 meeting. Richard Nielsen **seconded** and the motion passed with all in favor.

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60 **c. Approve the Hiring of Legal Counsel for Mt. Nebo Activities, with Emphasis on a**  
61 **Groundwater Plan and Monitoring of Groundwater Applications**

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63 **Water Banking**

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65 Steve Clyde stated there is a bill drafted that will go to the legislature in January. The goal is to deal with  
66 the reality of the decline of water supply while the population continues to grow.

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68 **Agricultural Water Task Force**

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70 Warren Peterson stated the Agricultural Water Optimization Task Force is making a lot of progress. They  
71 will have funding available to sponsor research. He also reported that a bill to allow creation of watershed  
72 councils by local water users is close to being completed and would likely be introduced in the General  
73 Session. Steve Clyde also commented on the bill.

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75 **Set Dates for 2020 Meetings**

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77 Junior Baker stated the agency meets 5 times per year. They usually meet on the third Monday of  
78 February, May, June, August and November. They have moved the meeting in February because of  
79 President's Day so it will be held the fourth Monday. He asked if they felt like they needed to meet more  
80 often. Marty Larsen commented they could add more meetings if they needed to. Junior Baker said they

81 could call a special meeting. Howard Chuntz asked if they could move the May meeting to May 11 or May  
82 26<sup>th</sup>. The board decided to meet on Tuesday May 26<sup>th</sup>.

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84 Marty Larsen **moved** to adopt the dates of February 24, May 26, June 15, August 17, and November 16,  
85 2020. Warren Peterson **seconded** the motion **passed** with all in favor.

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87 **Other Business**

88 **a. Treasurers Bond**

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90 Junior Baker stated a treasure's bond is required to handle finances for the agency. We require two board  
91 member signatures on checks. Board members have no access to the checks, so that creates separation.  
92 The state is requiring the agency have the bond and we need to discuss that contract. Junior commented  
93 the estimated fee is \$150. Junior stated he is retiring in April and Dave Tuckett from Payson City will be  
94 taking his place. He advised to bond Dave instead of him. Chairman Gene Shawcroft asked for thoughts  
95 from the board. They were in support.

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97 Richard Nielson **moved** to authorize the treasurers bond for Dave Tuckett to handle finances for the  
98 agency. Brett Christensen **seconded** and the motion **passed** with all in favor.

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100 **Next Meeting February 24, 2020**

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102 Warren Peterson **moved** to adjourn. Howard Chuntz **seconded** and the meeting adjourned at 8:41 a.m.