

Parowan City Culinary Water Board Meeting 12-11-2024 – 5:00 p.m. Council Chambers – 35 E 100 N, Parowan, UT 84761

Board Members Present: Sam Halterman, Kurt Vest, David Burton

Board Members Absent: Tom Gurr, Doug Fox

Staff Present: Mayor Mollie Halterman, City Manager Dan Jessen, and Callie Bassett, City Recorder

1. Call to Order: Kurt Vest called the Parowan Culinary Water Board meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

2. Declaration of Conflicts: Kurt Vest asked if there were any conflicts. No conflicts were declared.

3. Approval of Minutes from 11-13-2024 Meeting

Kurt Vest asked if there were any questions or concerns with the minutes. David Burton noted that the minutes listed him as a liaison, but he is actually a member of the board. Kurt Vest entertained a motion to approve the minutes with that correction.

Sam Halterman moved to approve the minutes with the correction. David Burton seconded the motion. All were in favor.

4. Discuss Policy for Water Entitlements When Combining Lots

David Burton was asked to introduce the topic. He explained that when individuals split a lot, they are required by ordinance to obtain water. When lots are combined, they have two water entitlements. The board needed to discuss what happens to those entitlements.

David explained that there were two ways to look at it:

- 1. Consider it a cost of doing business for the property owner.
- 2. Give them some sort of entitlement share, which would require tracking.

Dan mentioned a previous example of someone wanting to transfer entitlements from an old hotel to a commercial property across town. He noted there was no mechanism in the city to do this.

Kurt Vest expressed concern about tracking entitlements, suggesting it would only be feasible if it was an immediate transfer to another lot.

Dan explained that attaching agreements to deeds could cause issues if laws change in the future.

The board discussed the possibility of attaching entitlements to deeds or using GIS to track them. Dan noted that creating such a mechanism would slow down approval processes.

Kurt Vest pointed out that the city's policy of requiring individuals to bring in water for new lots has created administrative challenges.

The board discussed the difference between irrigation and culinary water entitlements, with Kurt Vest emphasizing they should be treated separately.

Dan explained that buildable lots within city limits are currently entitled to a connection, but there is no specific water right attached.

The board discussed the possibility of allowing property owners a period of time to transfer or sell their entitlement when combining lots.

Due to time constraints and the complexity of the issue, the board decided to table the discussion for a future meeting.

David Burton moved to table item number 4, discussion of water entitlements when combining lots, to a future culinary water meeting. Sam Halterman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

5. Update on Spring Cartridge Trial

Dan provided an update on the spring cartridge trial. He explained that Cedar City is conducting a small trial inside a tent, using cartridges to collect data from springs. The system uses gravity flow and is much simpler and potentially less expensive than traditional water treatment systems.

Dan described the filtration process, which involves multiple cartridges with different micron sizes. The system allows for easy monitoring and replacement of cartridges as needed.

The board discussed the potential for Parowan to conduct a similar trial. Dan mentioned that the company might offer to do a trial for free, allowing them to collect data specific to Parowan's springs.

Kurt Vest raised a concern about how the system would handle red dirt entering the spring during rainstorms. Dan acknowledged this was a valid concern and suggested that Cedar City likely deals with similar issues.

The board agreed that pursuing this trial could be beneficial, even if just to collect data for Parowan's springs.

- 6. Items for Next Agenda: No items were suggested at this time.
- 7. **Staff Comments:** There were no staff comments presented.
- 8. **Public Comments:** There were no comments from the public.
- 9. Adjourn:

Sam Halterman moved to adjourn the meeting. David Burton seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Callie Bassett, CMC
City Recorder



Parowan City Pressurized Irrigation Water Board Meeting 12-11-2024 - 5:00 p.m. Council Chambers - 35 E 100 N, Parowan, UT 84761

Board Members Present: Sam Halterman, Kurt Vest, David Burton

Board Members Absent: Tom Gurr Doug Fox

Staff Present: Mayor Mollie Halterman, City Manager Dan Jessen, and Callie Bassett, City Recorder

1. Call to Order: Kurt Vest called the meeting to order at 5:52 p.m.

2. Declaration of Conflicts: No conflicts were declared

3. Approval of Minutes 11-13-2024:

Kurt Vest asked if there were any questions or concerns with the minutes. David Burton noted that the minutes listed him as a liaison, but he is actually a member of the board. Kurt Vest entertained a motion to approve the minutes with that correction.

Sam Halterman moved to approve the minutes with the correction. David Burton seconded the motion. All were in favor.

4. Update on the Irrigation Pond POD and on Moving the Shooting Range:

Dan Jessen explained there weren't any updates on this. The status remains the same as the last report.

5. Items for Next Meeting:

The board would like to have a discussion regarding pressurized irrigation entitlements. They would also like to look at the pressurized irrigation code.

- **Staff Comments:** There were no comments from staff.
- **7. Public Comments:** There were no comments from the public.

8. Adjourn:

Sam Halterman moved to adjourn the meeting. David Burton seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

> 4/09/2025 Callie Bassett, CMC

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