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**Commission Members Present:** Bill Szmyd, Dan Herlihey, Don Cook, Gary Hausman (Chair), Gene Packer, John Butler, Randy Williams, and Richard Rhoads.

LUC Commission Members Absent: Stephanie Fancher-English.

Council Liaison Present: Councilor Steve Olson.

**City Staff Members Present:** Derek Turner, Frank Lindauer, Jim Lees, Joe Bernosky, John Beckstrom, John Faulkner, Michelle Erickson, Nathan Alburn, Laurie Cecere, Larry Howard, Leanne Chamberlin, Lynn Valdez, Roger Berg, Ryan Van Pelt, and Tanner Randall.

Guest Attendance: None.

CALL TO ORDER: Gary Hausman called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

#### Item 2.1: Approval of Minutes - Gary Hausman

This item requested a motion to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2021 meeting.

**Recommendation:** Adopt A Motion to Approve of the Loveland Utilities Commission Meeting Minutes from March 24, 2021.

**Motion: Dan Herlihey** made the motion.

Second: Gene Packer seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with an 7-0 vote,

Richard Rhoads had not joined the meeting for this vote.

**CITIZENS REPORT** 

None.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### Item 4.1: Water Supply Update - Ryan Van Pelt

This item provided the water supply update.

**Recommendation:** Information Only. No Action Required.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### Item 5.1: Green Ridge Glade Reservoir Bypass Pipeline Project – John Faulkner

The proposed Green Ridge Glade Reservoir Bypass (GRGRB) project will construct a new concrete diversion structure at the downstream end of the existing turnout channel from the Charles Hansen Feeder Canal (CHFC).

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Motion Recommending That LUC Approve the Hydro Constriction CMAR Construction Contract for the Construction of the Green Ridge Glade Reservoir Bypass Project in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,855,989.11 and Authorize The City Manager to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City, Following Consultation With the City Attorney, and to Modify the Contract in Form or Substance as Deemed Necessary to Protect the Interests of the City.



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**Motion: Herlihey** made the motion.

Second: John Butler seconded the motion. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.

### Item 5.2: 2022 Proposed 10-Year Capital Improvement Plans – Roger Berg, Frank Lindauer, Jim Lees, and Bill Crowell

The purpose of this item is to present an overview of the 2022 to 2031 10-year Capital Improvement Plans (CIP) for the Water, Raw Water, Wastewater, and Power Utilities. Staff is requesting that the LUC adopt a motion recommending that City Council approve the proposed 10-Year CIPs.

**Recommendation:** Adopt A Motion Recommending That City Council Approve the Proposed 2022 10-Year CIPS for the Raw Water, Wastewater and Power Utilities.

Motion: Herlihey made the motion.

Second: Packer seconded the motion. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.

#### Item 5.3: Appointment of LUC Members as Liaisons for the 2022 Budget Process - Jim Lees

The purpose of this item is to select two Loveland Utilities Commission (LUC) members to serve as liaisons to review the proposed 2022 budgets for the Water, Raw Water, Wastewater, and Power Utilities.

**Recommendation:** Select Two Liaisons from The Loveland Utilities Commission to Participate in the 2022 Budget Review Meetings. *Gene Packer and Richard Rhoads were selected. (volunteered)* 

#### **STAFF REPORT**

#### Item 6.1: Quarterly Financial Report – Jim Lees

This item summarizes the preliminary monthly and year-to date financials for March 2021.

Recommendation: Information Only. No Action Required.

#### Item 6.2: 2020 Levels of Service Update for Water and Wastewater Utilities - Michelle Erickson

This item provides a yearly update of our 2020 Levels of Service performance compared to prior years for the Water and Wastewater Utilities.

**Recommendation:** Information Only. No Action Required.

#### **COMMISSION & COUNCIL REPORTS**

#### Item 7.1: Commission/Council Reports

Bill Szmyd: None.
Dan Herlihey: None.
Don Cook: None.
Gary Hausman: None.
Gene Packer: None.

**John Butler: Butler** questioned the LUC about in-person vs. virtual meetings for the future. **Bernosky** said that he agrees with **Butler**, and he would like to see us back together very soon. The City Clerk is working with City Council and the other Boards and Commissions to look at how that will occur. This may be in-person, hybrid or all virtual.



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Randy Williams: Williams wondered what the Commissioners knew of the underground reservoir near Devil's Backbone. Hausman was not familiar with that, but Larry Howard was familiar with this reservoir and provided the history to the LUC. Howard mentioned that it was a big reservoir underground with caverns. This may occur where the Lauden ditch comes across the Devil's Backbone. Previously, there was a problem with the gypsum washing out into some very large holes. Richard Rhoads: None.

Stephanie Fancher-English: N/A

**Council Report: Olson** said that the Raw Water Fees were approved on March 16<sup>th</sup>, and those fees will take effect immediately. **Olson** believes this will help our developers. He also commented on the Fluoridation meeting, which Bernosky took to City Council. At that meeting, **Olson** actively promoted the work that the LUC had done with promoting fair panels to present information. One Councilor missed the meeting and was very unhappy about that. **Olson** made sure the information was available to share.

**Olson** also said that the City has been going through a condemnation process for property on 29<sup>th</sup> and Dry Creek Ditch. **Bernosky** said that we are in litigation, and an update will be provided when this topic is available for discussion.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

#### Item 8.1: Director's Report - Joe Bernosky

- Bernosky started off by thanking the Commission for the March Community Water Fluoridation meeting. He has received many compliments about how that meeting was conducted and the work that staff and the panelists put into the presentation.
- Bernosky said that we received the final word regarding the Chimney Hollow Reservoir / Windy Gap Firming project and will proceed this year with the start of construction. The bonding for this project will take place right away. This will save the sub-district a considerable amount of money.
- Bernosky discussed algae blooms and water quality. Sometimes you can predict algae blooms
  with no impacts, and there are other algae blooms that can be quite perilous. There has been a
  lot of aggressive work such as sampling to keep an eye on water quality. One of the instruments
  that we are using is called FlowCam which will allow far more rapid identification and speciation
  of algae.
- Bernosky also discussed the use of flushable wipes that are causing issues at the Wastewater
  Treatment Plants across the country. When these types of items are mixed with fat oils, it blocks
  the pathways. Customer Relations has been working hard to inform the public.

**ADJOURN**: The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. The next LUC Meeting will be May 19, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Valdez

Recording Secretary

Loveland Utilities Commission /s/ Gary Hausman, LUC Chairman

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