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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 Rob Molloy and Councilor Steve Olson.

City Staff Members Present: Alan Krcmarik, Bill Crowell, Derek Turner, Frank Lindauer, Jim Lees, John Beckstrom, John Faulkner, Michelle Erickson, Nathan Alburn, Larry Howard, Laurie Cecere, Lynn Valdez, Roger Berg, Ryan Van Pelt, Tanner Randall, and Todd Hanlin.

Guest Attendance: Joe Donnelly and Matt Elkins.

**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 April 21, 2021 meeting.

**Recommendation:** Adopt A Motion to Approve of the Loveland Utilities Commission Meeting Minutes from April 21, 2021.

Motion: Gene Packer made the motion.

Second: Dan Herlihey seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously with an 8-0 vote.

#### **CITIZENS REPORT**

None.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### Item 4.1: Financial Report Update - Jim Lees

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

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

# Item 4.2: Water Supply Update - Ryan Van Pelt

This item provided the water supply update.

Recommendation: Information Only. No Action Required.

## Item 4.3: Water Legislative Update - Ryan Van Pelt

This item is intended to give a brief update on water-related legislation introduced or under discussion by the Colorado General Assembly. Loveland Water and Power relies primarily on the Colorado Water Congress (CWC) and the City Attorney's Office for information on water-related legislation.

Recommendation: Information Only. No Action Required.

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# Item 4.4: Power Legislative Update - Laurie Cecere

This item and Attachment A are intended to give a brief update on electric-related legislation at both the state and federal level. Loveland Water and Power works closely with Platte River Power Authority (PRPA) and its sister cities but relies primarily on the Colorado Association of Municipal Utilities (CAMU) for information on electric-related legislation.

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

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

# Item 5.1: Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Storage Building Project – John Faulkner

The purpose of this item is to award a construction contract to the lowest, pre-qualified bidder for the construction of the WTP Storage Building.

Recommendation: Adopt a Motion to Award the Contract for the WTP Storage Building Construction Contract to Hydro Construction in an Amount not to Exceed \$557,263.00, and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City,

Motion: Herlihey made the motion.

Second: Bill Szmyd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with an 8-0 vote.

#### **PRESENTATION**

# Item 6.1: Chimney Hollow Design Presentation – Joe Donnelly, Northern Colorado Water Conservancy **District**

A presentation was provided by Joe Donnelly, the Project Manager and Water Resources Engineer at Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District regarding the Chimney Hollow Design.

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

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

# Item 7.1: Acceptance of 1.0 Share of South Side Ditch into the Water Bank - Nathan Alburn

This item is an application to deposit one (1.0) share of South Side Ditch Company into the City's Water Bank.

Recommendation: Adopt A Motion Finding That the Requirements of City Municipal Code Section 19.04.080 Have Been Met and that Acceptance into the City of Loveland Water Bank of the One (1.0) Share, Originating from Stock Certificate No. 2829, of South Side Ditch is in the Best Interests of the City of Loveland and is Hereby Approved.

Motion: Herlihey made the motion.

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

Item 7.2: 2021 Supplemental Budget Appropriation for Chimney Hollow Reservoir Construction – Jim Lees The purpose of this item is to ask the LUC to adopt a motion recommending that City Council approve a supplemental budget appropriation to the 2021 Raw Water Utility budget for capital expenditures and loan proceed revenue for Loveland's share of the construction cost of the Chimney Hollow Reservoir.



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**Recommendation:** Adopt a Motion Recommending That City Council Approve a Supplemental Budget Appropriation to the 2021 Raw Water Budget to Increase Budgeted Capital Expenditures by \$6,343,750 and Budgeted Loan Proceeds Revenue by \$4,940,000 for Loveland's Share of the Chimney Hollow Reservoir Construction Project.

Motion: Herlihey made the motion.

Second: Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with an 8-0 vote. CFO Alan Krcmarik requested that we have a representative from the LUC to join in the City Council meeting on June 1, 2021 in order to support this project. Hausman and Packer volunteered to join the meeting.

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

## Item 7.1: Commission/Council Reports

**Bill Szmyd: Szmyd** asked if Loveland has a list of shovel-ready projects that we could submit if a certain bill comes to fruition and funds are available.

Dan Herlihey: None.

**Don Cook: Cook** asked about the go-live date for the Customer Information System database. **Krcmarik** responded to this question saying that the go-live date will be on June 1, 2021.

Gary Hausman: None.

Gene Packer: Packer discussed his meetings with the budget team.

John Butler: None.

Randy Williams: Mentioned that the river by Glade Road has been running high for two weeks now.

Richard Rhoads: None.

Stephanie Fancher-English: N/A

**Council Report: Councilor Olson** said that City Council approved going back to in-person meeting starting June 1, 2021. Masks will not be required for the Councilors. In addition, the District Attorney did file charges against two police officers involved in the Garner case. They have been charged with felonies. Olson hopes this will cut down all of the public comment in this regard to City Council. **Olson** complimented how reliable and great the Loveland Utilities Commission is.

**Councilor Molloy** said that the City Council meeting coming up on June 1, 2021 will be great to be back in the Council Chambers. **Councilor Molloy** will discuss the Chimney Hollow Project closely with Mayor Jacki Marsh in order to show support for this item and push it through.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

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

- Roger Berg served as the Acting Director of Water and Power for this meeting as Joe Bernosky was
  not available. Berg shared a photo of the new water tank this is under construction north of
  Mahaffey Park. Garner Construction is really close to finishing this project.
- The spring recruitment cycle for Boards and Commissions is now closed. Hausman re-applied to serve as the Chair of the Loveland Utilities Commission for an additional term. Herlihey also reapplied to serve as a Commissioner for an additional term. Stephanie Fancher-English will allow her term as a Commissioner to expire effective July 1, 2021. We are so very grateful to all three



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Commissioners for their service to the community in Loveland. In addition, Matt Elkins applied to serve as a Loveland Utilities Commissioner. He was interviewed by Hausman, Councilor Olson, and Bernosky on May 10, 2021. City Council voted on the recommendation to accept Elkins as a Commissioner on May 18, 2021. If approved, his term will begin July 1, 2021.

• As a northern Colorado native, Matt Elkins knew that Loveland is where he wanted to raise his family. Elkins has two small children and a wife of six years. His two little girls are ages 3 and 1 year old. Elkins moved from Berthoud to Loveland in 2013 and has been a resident ever since. Elkins has managerial experience at a large manufacturing facility that specializes in dairy products. He has been through and involved in multiple building expansions and new builds including a waste water treatment facility. He is now in a place in his life where he wants to volunteer his time to the community and learn more about how our utilities affect our community. Elkins has a gift for leadership and has taken many leaderships roles throughout his career. He has helped run cost saving committees. He also has experience in discussing CBT as a result of working for Noosa. Elkins describes himself as reliable, innovative and leadership driven. In his free time, he like to spend time with his children, golf and cook.

**ADJOURN**: The meeting was adjourned at 5:31 p.m. The next LUC Meeting will be June 16, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Valdez

Recording Secretary

Loveland Utilities Commission /s/ Gary Hausman, LUC Chairman