



## **Hurricane City Water Board Meeting Minutes January 27, 2026**

**Present:** Ken Richins, Angie Tripp, Kory Wright, Mac Hall, Dayton Hall, Casey Lofthouse, Gary Cupp, and Leah Thompson

### **Item #1 Call to order, prayer**

Mac Hall called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Ken Richins gave the prayer.

### **Item #2 Approval of minutes from December 2, 2025**

Mac Hall asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 2, 2025. Ken Richins motion to approve the minutes. Gary Cupp second the motion. Motion passed.

### **Item #3 Water right agreements and purchases**

Dayton Hall discussed recent water rights Hurricane acquired: Apple Valley area water rights, water rights and a well site located south of the ski lakes, and Hurricane canal stocks. The Apple Valley water right will be used at Gould's wash well. The ski lake area water rights will be used in our culinary water system. The canal shares will be used in our pressurized irrigation system.

Dayton Hall discussed the second contract that was with Western Mortgage group which had a little less than 1700-acre feet of water. That is currently being used for some SOD farms and construction worksites in Dixie Springs. This contract was a bit more complex. The Gateway PID will purchase the water from Western Mortgage. The PID will deed the water to the city. The city will collect secondary water source impact fees from the builders. The funds that the city receives for the secondary impact fee will be used to pay on the PID bond. The deadline to have this together is the end of 2026. The city council has been involved with the decision making. Ken Richins said they have been working on this for 4 years with the city council on some closed sessions. This is a good deal for the city. Kory Wright said part of the deal is that the city will drill two new wells and tank for storage.

### **Item #4 Report on the irrigation expansion projects**

Kory Wright said Interstate Rock has been working on 650 S headed to 1100 W almost done to 900 S coming back through to put services in. The pond floors are almost done then they will start on the walls. Interstate is going to try and do two pours a week until it is done. The city is still waiting to hear about the money for the second phase.

### **Item #5 Report on the culinary water tank and pipeline project**

Kory Wright said footings are all done around the tank they will start forming once foundation is done, we are looking about April or May to have tank done. Pipeline is in, the well drillers are set up and

putting together a crew to start drilling. The city is in the process of meeting with the power department to get power to the booster station. The power department still has a few poles to put in to get power out to the booster station. There is a meeting tomorrow to go over the process. Until this is completed the city will use a generator to run the booster station.

**Item #7 Report on the progress of the new wells**

Ken Richins discussed the Gould's wash well has been drilled 800 feet. There was discussion on how the drilling process worked. Ken presented a picture of the drill bit that is being used.

Kory Wright said that the Dixie Springs well is installing power tomorrow for the meter. The city has been issued the operating permit. The goal is to get it online and working tomorrow.

**Item #8 Sand Hollow aquifer study**

Leah Thompson said the funding has been agreed on. Ken Richins said the district is paying a percentage and USGS is paying a percentage along with the city. Leah said at least once a month we will be reminding them that we want to stay involved with the process.

**Item #9 Dixie Spring failing infrastructure update and water rate discussion**

Kory Wright said the secondary impact fee has been approved. He said we still need to go over some data and figure out the rate discussion. The board had a discussion on some ideas on where some of the city's water loss is coming from. Kory Wright asked if we can table this agenda item for next month's board meeting, he wants to meet with the city manager and mayor prior to the meeting and go over some data.

Mac Hall suggested that we work on the Dixie Springs area first and move forward from that point.

**Item #10 New Business**

Mac Hall announced this will be Ken's last board meeting he is retiring on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February. The water board congratulated him on his retirement and let him know he is going to be missed.

**Item #11 Adjourn**

Mac Hall adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm

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