

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SOUTH METRO WISE AUTHORITY**

**HELD:** Wednesday, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024, in person at 116 Inverness Drive or via Zoom.

**ATTENDANCE:**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the South Metro WISE Authority was called and held as shown above and in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado, with the following directors present and acting:

Ken Lykens, Meridian Metropolitan District  
Andrea Cole, Dominion Water & Sanitation  
Luis Tovar, Cottonwood & Inverness  
Mark Marlowe, Castle Rock Water  
Ron Redd, Parker Water & Sanitation

Also present were:

Lisa Darling, SMWSA, Executive Director  
Chris Muller, SMWSA  
Angie Grunder, SMWSA  
Sheila Giusti, SMWSA  
Kate Bandel, SMWSA  
Matt Benak, Castle Rock Water  
Sam Calkins, Centennial Water & Sanitation District  
Emilie Abbott, Parker Water & Sanitation  
Dave Kaunisto, East Cherry Creek Valley Water & Sanitation District  
Kathryn Gienger, Pinery Water  
Heather Beasley, Pinery Water  
Ashley Waldron, Meridian Metropolitan District  
Gerald Barton, Meridian Metropolitan District  
Tom George, Spencer Fane  
Mark Harding, Rangeview Water & Sanitation  
Steve Coffin, Steve Coffin Strategies  
Steve Balcerovich, Lobbyist  
Tim Coleman, Lobbyist

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President, Ken Lykens, noted that a quorum was present for the purpose of conducting a meeting of the Board of Directors and called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the WISE Authority at 2:01 p.m.

**BOARD ACTIONS**

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**AGENDA:** The Board reviewed the agenda. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the agenda.

**MINUTES:** The Board reviewed the October 2024 Meeting Minutes. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the Minutes.

**PAYABLES:** Lisa Darling presented the Payables Check Nos. 2376-2382 and the Financial Statements from October. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the payables and accepted the financials.

**PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING:** President Lykens opened the Public Budget Hearing for 2025. President Lykens allowed time for public comments. President Lykens closed the hearing. Chris Muller provided an overview of the final budget presented.

**2025 ANNUAL BUDGET & RESOLUTION APPROVAL:** Chris Muller presented the final 2025 Annual Budget and Resolution. He answered questions from members. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted to approve the 2025 Budget as presented.

**2024 CORA RESOLUTION:** Legal Counsel, Tom George, provided information on the 2024 CORA resolution. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the resolution.

**STANTEC 2025 WISE RATE REVIEW CONTRACT:** Lisa Darling provided information on the Stantec WISE Rate Review Contract. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the contract.

### **DISCUSSIONS**

**BINNEY CONNECTION:** Chris Muller presented an update on the Binney Connection Project.

**DIA CONNECTION UPDATE:** Chris Muller presented an update on the DIA Connection. JHL has installed about 18,120 LF of pipe. Construction agreements with Aurora Water has been reached.

**WATER DELIVERIES & OPERATIONS:** Chris Muller provided an update on water deliveries and planned operations. WISE is receiving a 1 MGD offer from Aurora Water. WISE will handle all ordering during the water quality offer that is expected to last through April 2025. Staff expects to get an offer of at least 5.25 MGD in May for Aurora to be able to meet their offer of 3000 AF.

**WISE RATE UPDATE:** Chris Muller provided an update on the WISE Rate. The letter proposed a new rate of \$7.23/kgal. This is a \$0.68/kgal increase from the 2024 rate.

**SALINITY MANAGEMENT:** Chris Muller provided an update on Salinity Management. Staff is continuing to look at advancing salinity alternatives.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

### **UPDATES**

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A monthly update memo was provided with the Board materials.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 2:39 p.m. The next WISE board meeting is scheduled for December 18th. The December board meeting will be held in person at 116 Inverness Drive East or remote via Zoom.

The foregoing minutes constitute a true and correct copy of the above-referenced meeting and were approved by the Board of Directors of the South Metro WISE Authority.

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Lisa Darling, Executive Director  
South Metro WISE Authority