

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
MINUTES  
of the  
Board of Water Commissioners**

Denver Water Administration Building  
1600 West 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Denver, CO  
Board Room, First Floor

Video Conference: <http://zoom.us/join>, Meeting ID: 810 7897 3354, Password: 068809  
or Dial-in: (669) 900-6833, Meeting ID: 810 7897 3354

**Wednesday, April 27, 2022**

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**Open Session**

A duly called Regular Meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held Wednesday, April 27, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference: <http://zoom.us/join>, Meeting ID: 810 7897 3354, Password: 068809 or via Dial-in: (669) 900-6833, Meeting ID: 810 7897 3354. Members of the Board present during the Regular Meeting were:

**Gary M. Reiff, President**  
**Craig Jones, First Vice President**  
**Stephanie Donner, Vice President**  
**Tyrone J. Gant, Vice President**  
**Dominique Gómez, Vice President**

Board employees and others present during portions of the meeting were:

J.S. Lochhead, CEO/Manager	D. Judd, GIS Manager
J.A. Anderson, Chief of Staff	T. Lechtenberg, GIS Lead
A. Bricmont, Chief Financial Officer	D. Lopez, IT Support Specialist
J. Brody, General Counsel	J. Martin, Project Engineer
B.D. Good, Chief Administrative Officer	D. Martinelli, Finance Analyst
D. Gorgemans, Internal Auditor	J. Mellette, Organizational Improvement Sr. Facilitator
R. Mahoney, Chief Engineering Officer	K. Oligney, Director IT Infrastructure
R. Marsicek, Chief Water Resource Strategy Officer	C. Proctor, Communications Sr.

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T.J. Roode, Chief Operations and Maintenance Officer	Specialist
S. Adamkovics, Finance Sr. Analyst	L. Quintana, Administrative Sr. Assistant
R. Badger, Planning Manager	A. Rettig, Finance Supervisor
K. Bates, Attorney	K. Riegle, Attorney
S. Behunek, Public Affairs Manager	U. Sharma, Treasurer
J. Bogner, Finance Sr. Analyst	L. Southard, Business Operations Support
A. Cavallaro, Paralegal	J. Spitze, Director IT PMO & Enterprise Projects
S. Chesney, Director Public Affairs	P. Williams, Executive Assistant
M. Day, IT Support Manager	L. Albanese, Financial Investment News
M. Farquhar, GIS Analyst	C. Chaikin, Segal Marco Advisors
P. Freeman, Business Operations Manager	G. McCarthy, PEI
D. Herrera, IT Applications Manager	D. Newnam
A. Hill, Government Relations Liaison	R. Hungerbuhler, Segal Marco Advisors

## INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

Commissioner Reiff called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

### Public Comment and Communications

Commissioner Reiff issued an invitation to members of the public to comment to the Board on any matters not included in the Agenda for the meeting. There was no public comment.

### Legislative Update

Mr. Hill reported that the Legislative Update Briefing Paper has been prepared for the Board's review. He stated that the 2022 legislative session is coming to a close in two weeks, adjourning on May 11, 2022. He noted that Senate Bill 22-230 was introduced and addresses collective bargaining for counties.

Mr. Hill was available to answer questions regarding the Legislative Update Briefing Paper. The Board had no questions.

## POLICY MATTERS

### 1. ITEM III-A: GROSS RESERVOIR EXPANSION UPDATE

Mr. Martin presented the Board with the Gross Reservoir Expansion Update, a copy of which is attached to and incorporated in these Minutes as Exhibit A. He reported that construction commenced on April 1, and he provided a construction status update with photos illustrating the various onsite activities. Key activities in April have included site develop to create 24 acres of flat ground and move 1 million cubic yards of material, and foundation excavation to remove 240,000 cubic yards of foundation rock. Additional activities in May will include dam surface preparation, relocation of the hydraulic operator, and continued mass grading for the batch plant, office, maintenance, and lower dam pads.

Mr. Martin stated that current and planned public outreach has entailed an orchestrated effort to keep the community informed, and Denver Water has hired a community relations specialist to help facilitate relationships with key leaders within the community. Denver Water remains focused on community feedback and site-specific safety training for workers in response to feedback already received. Meetings with North Shore neighbors will continue regularly to discuss recreation and construction activities.

## EXECUTIVE UPDATE

### 2. ITEM IV-C: OPERATIONS UPDATE

Ms. Anderson reported on the main break that occurred Sunday in the Berkeley neighborhood. She noted that Denver Water remains committed to working closely with the customers impacted by this event in order to completely resolve any issues. She also recognized the many crews working around the clock and thanked staff for coming together to resolve these issues quickly.

Mr. Roode explained that a 24-inch conduit broke on Sunday morning, causing water to create a large pond, which overwhelmed the sewer system. In order to isolate the issue, crews closed 31 valves, which required a methodical approach in order to avoid additional impacts to wider areas of the system. The process took about three hours and additional time and effort were required to pump and clear the excess water. Multiple water crews worked to fix the pipes and clean the area. Paving operations are underway as crews continue to work on restoring water service.

Mr. Good stated that approximately 46 properties within a six-block area were impacted by this event. Denver Water's policy is to offer residential customer assistance in the form of both immediate help to address flood damage and help with home repair estimates and payment. He noted that the goal is to address customers' needs as quickly as possible, including remediating homes and addressing property damage.

Ms. Brody added that Denver Water recognizes the significant impact this event has on the community and although water utilities are not generally legally responsible for these types of events, the organization has adopted a policy to assist with property restoration.

Commissioner Reiff thanked Denver Water staff for their hard work and commitment to the community.

## BRIEFING PAPERS & REPORTS

### **3. ITEM V-A: BRIEFING PAPER FOR LEGISLATIVE STRATEGY**

The Board received a Briefing Paper for Legislative Strategy, a copy of which is incorporated and attached to these Minutes as Exhibit B.

### **4. ITEM V-B: LEAD REDUCTION PROGRAM**

The Board received a Report for the Lead Reduction Program, a copy of which is incorporated and attached to these Minutes as Exhibit C.

## ADJOURNMENT

No further business appearing, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn into a Trustee Meeting at approximately 9:28 a.m.

### **Trustee/Plan Sponsor Meeting**

The Board of Water Commissioners, serving in their capacity as Trustees of the Employees' Retirement Plan Trust Fund and Plan Sponsor of the Employees' Retirement Plan, and as Sponsor of the Supplemental Retirement Savings Plan of the Board of Water Commissioners of the City and County of Denver, met on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, commencing at 9:29 a.m., in the Board Room, Room 106, 1600 West 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Denver, Colorado and via Zoom Video Conference. The Minutes of the Trustee/Plan Sponsor Meeting are maintained separately.

The Trustee/Plan Sponsor Meeting concluded at 10:00 a.m., at which time the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners.

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President