

MINUTES
STATE LOAN AND INVESTMENT BOARD
JUNE 15, 2017

These minutes memorialize the action taken at the meeting and provide a summation of the discussions. The audio recording provides a full record of the proceedings.

Opening:

The special meeting of the State Loan and Investment Board (SLIB) was called to order by Chairman Mead at 8:00 a.m. on June 15, 2017 at the Herschler Building, Room 1699.

Board Members Present:

Matthew Mead, Chairman/Governor
Edward Murray, Secretary of State
Cynthia Cloud, State Auditor
Mark Gordon, State Treasurer
Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction

Office of State Lands and Investments (OSLI) Staff Members Present:

Bridget Hill, Director
Elizabeth Blackwell
Machá Ledet

Megan Nicholas – Attorney General’s Office

Other Business

➤ **Wyoming Business Council**

The Wyoming Business Council presented its matters to the Board.

Office of State Lands and Investments business before the Board began at 10:00 a.m.

A. Minutes – None

B. Reports

Director Hill addressed standard reports to the Board.

C. Policy Matters

1. Annual Presentation of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Intended Use Plan and Comprehensive Priority List - Information Only

Board Action: No Action; Information Only

2. Consider Annual Authorization and Adoption of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Intended Use Plan and Comprehensive Priority List

Director Hill recommended the Board give final authorization and adopt the 2018 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Intended Use Plan and the final comprehensive priority listing of eligible projects for the time period June 15, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Secretary Murray moved to approve the Director’s recommendation. Auditor Cloud seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

D. State Investment Matters – None

E. Farm Loan Matters - None

F. Clean Water State Revolving Fund Matters –None

G. Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Matters – None

H. Mineral Royalty Grant Matters

1. Chapter 3 Town of Hulett Emergency Mineral Royalty Grant

Director Hill recommended the Board approve emergency Mineral Royalty Grant funding in the amount of \$54,322 for the Town of Hulett.

Chairman Mead invited the public to comment on Board matter H-1.

Ken Rathburn, Project Engineer, reported to the Board that they received four bids and stated that they were comfortable with their selection and would not be pursuing other bids.

Treasurer Gordon moved to approve the Director's recommendation. Superintendent Balow seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

2. Chapter 3 Hot Springs County Hospital District Emergency Mineral Royalty Grant

Director Hill reported to the Board that the Hot Springs County Hospital District was unable to assess three mill levies due to unanticipated statutory complications. Director Hill also reported that due to this complication, the District would be unable to finance their hospital operations as planned.

Director Hill recommended the Board find good cause to waive the taxation requirement and approve emergency Mineral Royalty Grant funding in the amount of \$420,000 for the Hot Springs County Hospital District.

Chairman Mead invited the public to comment on Board matter H-2.

Bill Williams, Chairman, reported to the Board that after a meeting between the District Board and Commissioners they were alerted that the Wyoming Department of Revenue was not properly informed of the existence of the District Board and explained that they were unable to assess the mill levies. Mr. Williams reported to the Board an overview of the District Hospital, noting that they are rural health care and the equipment on the project list was critical.

Auditor Cloud and Secretary Murray expressed their opposition to the project.

Superintendent Balow moved to approve the Director's recommendation. Treasurer Gordon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye; Murray and Cloud voting Nay)

3. Chapter 3 Kemmerer-Diamondville Joint Powers Board Emergency Mineral Royalty Grant

Director Hill recommended the Board deny emergency Mineral Royalty Grant funding in the amount of \$627,650 for the Kemmerer-Diamondville Joint Powers Board, noting that the project does not meet the definition of an emergency.

Chairman Mead invited the public to comment on Board matter H-3.

Gary Hutcherson, Joint Powers Board Chairman, explained the condition of their failing water line.

Treasurer Gordon recommended moving the Kemmerer-Diamondville Joint Powers Board's Emerald Street Water Main Repair project to Board matter H-5 to compete with the regular Mineral Royalty Grant (MRG) applicants; since the project does not meet the definition of an emergency.

Treasurer Gordon moved to approve the Director's recommendation and move the Kemmerer-Diamondville Joint Powers Board's Emerald Street Water Main Repair project to Board matter H-5. Secretary Murray seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved
(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

4. Chapter 3 Laramie County Emergency Mineral Royalty Grant

Director Hill recommended the Board approve emergency Mineral Royalty Grant funding in the amount of \$112,500 for Laramie County.

Chairman Mead invited the public to comment on Board matter H-4.

Sandra Newland, Laramie Co. Grants Manager, reported to the Board that water leakage is causing ceiling tiles to fall and nurses are having to walk around buckets in the those areas. Ms. Newland also reported that the County's insurance would not cover the replacement of the roof because the damage was not related to an insurable occurrence.

Gus Lopez, Health Department Director, reported to the Board that the project is an emergency.

Superintendent Balow moved to approve the Director's recommendation. Secretary Murray seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved
(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

Note: The Board reconvened after a ten minute break at 11:10 a.m.

5. Consider Twenty Applications for Chapter 3 Federal Mineral Royalty Capital Construction Account Grants

Chairman Mead indicated the following full funding projects were amenable for treatment on a consent list:

No. 1, Albany County Fire District 1; No. 2, City of Douglas; No. 3, Doubois Rural Fire District; No. 4, Freedom Hills Improvement & Service District; No. 5, Town of Hanna; No. 6, Town of Opal

Auditor Cloud moved to approve the consent list for full funding. Treasurer Gordon second the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved
(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

Auditor Cloud moved to approve the Director's recommendation for the items on

the consent list. Treasurer Gordon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

Chairman Mead invited the public to comment on the partial funding recommendations.

Town of Glenrock - Center & 4th Street Infrastructure Improvements:

Randy Rumpler, Public Works Director, thanked the Board for its consideration and noted they would accept the partial funding recommendation of \$300,000.

High Meadow Ranch Water District - High Meadow Ranch Water Upgrades:

Sam Dixler, Board President, thanked the Board for its consideration and noted that they would accept the partial funding recommendation of \$1,000,000.

City of Sheridan - North End Utilities Infrastructure:

Roger Miller, Mayor, thanked the Board for its consideration and noted that they would accept the partial funding recommendation of \$300,000.

Town of Upton - Pine Street Water and Sewer Replacement:

Mark Lindstrom, Superintendent, thanked the Board for its consideration and noted that they would accept the partial funding recommendation of \$1,000,000.

West Side Water & Sewer District - Emergency W-K Lift Station Improvements:

A representative from the West Side Water & Sewer District reported to the Board that they would accept the partial funding recommendation of \$300,000.

Treasurer Gordon moved to approve a consent list for the projects recommended for partial funding.

No. 1, Town of Glenrock; No. 2, High Meadow Ranch Water District; No. 3, City of Sheridan; No. 4, Town of Upton; No. 5, West Side Water & Sewer District

Superintendent Balow second the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

Treasurer Gordon moved to approve the Director's recommendation. Superintendent Balow seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

Chairman Mead invited the public to comment on the no funding recommendations.

City of Buffalo - Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Upgrade:

Ben Weaver, Engineer;

Les Hook, Director, reported to the Board that the thirty-two years old lift station no longer has controls and has to be operated through the alarm system and manual on and off with the pump station. Mr. Hook noted that they were unsure of the useful life.

Ben Weaver reported to the Board that the proposed system will be larger with capability for future development.

City of Cheyenne - Fire Engine:

Cindy Schneider;

Tom Schingle, Interim Fire Chief:

Marian Orr, Mayor, reported to the Board that since their application, their fire engine has failed and is no longer operable.

Tom Schingle, reported to the Board that there are options they are exploring and stated they were waiting on bids. Mr. Schingle noted that one of the options was re-chassis the entire engine, which would lower costs.

Town of Cowley - Water Tank Replacement:

William Bridges, Engineer;

Deb Craft, Commissioner;

Linda Harp, Grant Writer;

Joel Peterson, Mayor, reported to the Board that they are looking at all options for their water tank replacement and working with others for funding.

Treasurer Gordon inquired about the projects being placed on the Clean Water State Revolving Fund list. Director Hill reported to the Board that applicants can apply at any time, noting that the Office would need the application in time for the Board's consideration.

Chairman Mead asked for a vote on the projects for City of Buffalo, City of Cheyenne, and the Town of Cowley due to Treasurer Gordon having another commitment to attend.

Auditor Cloud moved to approve the Director's no funding recommendation for the City of Buffalo. Superintendent Balow seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

Secretary Murray moved to approve partial funding in the amount of \$175,000 for the City of Cheyenne. The motion did not receive a second.

Superintendent Balow moved to approve the Director's no funding recommendation for the City of Cheyenne. Auditor Cloud seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye; Murray voting Nay)

Superintendent Balow moved to approve partial funding in the amount of \$75,000 for the Town of Cowley. Treasurer Gordon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, Gordon, and Balow voting Aye)

Note: Treasurer Gordon excused himself from the Board meeting at 11:52 a.m.

City of Douglas - Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements-Priority 2:

Tom Brauer, Civil Engineer, reported to the Board that the City Administrator and Public Works Director had to leave however, they appreciate the Board funding their other project. Mr. Brauer reported that they understand the Board's challenges and accepts the Director's recommendation.

Town of Fort Laramie - Sewer Lines/Water Lines-Sewer Lagoon:

Neal Stone, Deputy Clerk Treasurer

Kim Craft, Clerk Treasurer, reported to the Board that they have two sewer projects and clarified that the Miles Avenue project's funding had not been approved by

USDA.

Lorraine Warner, Program Director, reported to the Board that she was not aware of the Miles Avenue project, noting they had been working with the Bridger project. Ms. Warner reported to the Board that in her correspondence with the Office her recommendation was in reference to the Town of Fort Laramie Bridger project. Ms. Warner also reported that they would not be able to give the Miles Avenue project full funding but would be able to fund 55 percent of the other project.

City of Laramie - Regency Drive Detention Pond:

Sarah Reese, City Manager, thanked the Board for its consideration and stated that they understand the Board's position and accept the Director's recommendation.

Tongue River Valley Joint Powers Board - Dayton/Ranchester Natural Gas Utility Project:

Allan Moore, Mayor;

Norm Anderson, Mayor;

Bob Wood, Mayor;

Mike Nickel, Commissioner;

Peter Clark, Chairman, explained their Natural Gas Utility project and reported to the Board that this meeting was the only place they had to ask for funding. Mr. Clark also noted their request through USDA. Mr. Clark noted that \$450,000 would help get their project started.

Bob Wood reminded the Board that the project started in 2008 and commended the Joint Powers Board on obtaining funding for their project.

Norm Anderson reported to the Board the ENDOW program was a perfect fit for their project. Mr. Anderson also noted that they would appreciate the Board's consideration.

Mike Nickel reported to the Board that the Sheridan Commissioners are in support of the project and noted that this would be a boost in their economy.

City of Torrington - Phase II: Non-Discharging WWPT, Headworks:

Lou Harmon, Engineer;

Lynette Strecker, Clerk/Treasurer;

Jeff Harkins, Engineer;

Mike Varney, Mayor, reported to the Board that they understand money is tight and explained that every time it rains it floods and why it was vital that something is done to the headworks.

Lynette Strecker reported to the Board that they received funding from the USDA loan program for phase I for over a million dollar and for phase II they are asking for an additional 3.2 million. Ms. Strecker also reported that they were in a water and rates study.

Lou Harmon reported to the Board that through the clean water state revolving fund for sewer projects there may be principal forgiveness and that they may be able to section out the phase II sewer portion of their project.

Note: Superintendent Balow excused herself from the Board meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Weston County - Weston County Courthouse Remodel Phase #1:

Randy Hein, Architect;

Matt Castano, Judge;

Dan Blakeman, Administrator, reported to the Board they are asking the Board for its consideration for full funding of \$475,000 and noted that the project could get started with partial funding in the amount of \$375,000 Mr. Blakeman stated that they would like to bring the courthouse up to standards and still preserve its history.

Matt Castano reported to the Board that a considerable amount of the project is ready and explained that they would like to leverage court security money with other money received. Mr. Castano described the current courtrooms in the Weston County explaining their need for the courthouse remodel.

Randy Hein reported to the Board that the building was old and noted that the last major remodel was in the courtroom in 1959 and noted that there are plumbing, electrical and code issues.

Note: Treasurer Gordon returned to the Board meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Kemmerer-Diamondville Joint Powers Board - Emerald Street Water Main Repair:

Gary Hutcherson, Joint Powers Board Chairman, asked the Board for its consideration of \$215,000 for their project.

Note: The Board reconvened after a five minute break at 12:50 p.m.

Secretary Murray moved to approve a consent list for partial funding of the following projects.

No. 5, Town of Fort Laramie in the amount of \$300,000; No. 7, Tongue River Valley Joint Powers Board in the amount of \$300,000; No. 9 Weston County in the amount of \$300,000; No. 10 Kemmerer-Diamondville Joint Powers Board in the amount of \$215,000.

Treasurer Gordon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, and Gordon voting Aye)

Secretary Murray moved to approve the partial funding noted above for No. 5, Town of Fort Laramie; No. 7, Tongue River Valley Joint Powers Board; No. 9 Weston County and No. 10 Kemmerer-Diamondville Joint Powers Board. Auditor Cloud seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, and Gordon voting Aye)

Auditor Cloud moved to approve the Director's no funding recommendation for No. 4, City of Douglas. Treasurer Gordon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, and Gordon voting Aye)

Secretary Murray moved to approve the Director's no funding recommendation for No. 6, City of Laramie. Auditor Cloud seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, and Gordon voting Aye)

Auditor Cloud moved to approve the Director's no funding recommendation for No. 8, City of Torrington. Treasurer Gordon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Board Action: Approved

(Mead, Murray, Cloud, and Gordon voting Aye)

Projects Recommended for Full Funding

Att #	Entity	Project	MRG Amount Recommended	MRG Amount Board Approved
1	Albany County Fire District 1	Replacement of Vedauwoo Volunteer Fire Department Wildland Engine	\$ 55,364	\$ 55,364
2	Douglas, City of	2017 Miscellaneous Water, Sewer, and Streets Improvements - Priority 1	\$ 756,000	\$ 756,000
3	Dubois Rural Fire District	Regional Emergency Response Training Facility	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000
4	Freedom Hills Improvement & Service District	Water Meter and Water System Upgrades	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000
5	Hanna, Town of	2017 Elmo and Old Town Water Distribution Replacements	\$ 770,000	\$ 770,000
6	Opal, Town of	Hill Tank Solar Mixer	\$ 84,834	\$ 84,834
Total				\$ 2,491,198

Projects Recommended for Partial Funding

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1	Glenrock, Town of	Center & 4th Street Infrastructure Improvements	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
2	High Meadow Ranch Water District	High Meadow Ranch Water Upgrades	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
3	Sheridan, City of	North End Utilities Infrastructure	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
4	Upton, Town of	Pine Street Water and Sewer Replacement	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
5	West Side Water & Sewer District	Emergency W-K Lift Station Improvements	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
Total				\$ 2,900,000

Projects Recommended for No Funding

Att #	Entity	Project	MRG Amount Recommended	MRG Amount Board Approved
1	Buffalo, City of	Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Upgrade	\$0	\$0

2	Cheyenne, City of	Fire Engine	\$0	\$0
3	Cowley, Town of	Water Tank Replacement	\$0	\$ 75,000
4	Douglas, City of	Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements - Priority 2	\$0	\$0
5	Fort Laramie, Town of	Sewer Lines/Water Lines - Sewer Lagoon	\$0	\$ 300,000
6	Laramie, City of	Regency Drive Detention Pond	\$0	\$0
7	Tongue River Valley Joint Powers Board	Dayton/Ranchester Natural Gas Utility Project	\$0	\$ 300,000
8	Torrington, City of	Phase II: Non-Discharging WWTP, Headworks	\$0	\$0
9	Weston County	Weston County Courthouse Remodel Phase #1	\$0	\$ 300,000
10	Kemmerer-Diamondville	Emerald Street Water Main Repair	\$0	\$ 215,000
Total				\$ 1,190,000

I. Countywide Consensus Matters – None

J. Miscellaneous Matters – None

K. Board of Deposits - None

Adjournment:

The State Loan and Investment Board adjourned at 1:04 p.m., on June 15, 2017. The next State Loan and Investment Board meeting will be August 10, 2017, 8:00 a.m. in the Wyoming Department of Transportation’s Auditorium.

Minutes submitted by: Machá Ledet, Executive Assistant

Approved by: _____
Bridget Hill
Secretary of the State Loan and Investment Board

***Note: Please see the minutes of the following meeting for possible clarifications to discussions.**

Minutes were approved at the State Loan and Investment Board on August 10, 2017.