



## Governing Board

Thursday, January 29, 2015, 7:30 A.M.  
Historic Utah County Courthouse  
51 South University Ave, Utah

### ATTENDEES:

Chair/Mayor Bert Wilson, Lehi City  
Mayor James Hadfield, American Fork City  
Mr. Greg Beckstrom, Provo City  
Mayor Jeff Acerson, Lindon City  
Mayor Mark Thompson, Highland City  
Councilman Kim Hancock, Payson City  
Councilman Dean Olsen, Springville City  
Councilwoman Rebecca Call, City Of Saratoga Springs  
Mr. Reed Price, Utah Lake Commission  
Mr. Walt Baker, Utah Department of Environmental Quality  
Commissioner Larry Ellertson, Utah County  
Mr. Mike Mendenhall, Spanish Fork  
Ms. Laura Ault, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands  
Mr. Dave Russell, Woodland Hills

### INTERESTED PARTIES / VISITORS

Ms. Laura Ault, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands  
Mr. Richard Nielson, Utah County

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Mr. Rick Cox, URS Corporation  
Ms. Hilary Arens, DEQ/DWQ  
Mr. Matt Howard, UDWR  
Mr. Bob Trombly, Provo City  
Mr. Joel Racker, UVCVB  
Mr. Robert D. Grieve, Independent School of Sailing  
Ms. Cari Krejci, SSOA  
Mr. Robert Krejci, SSOA  
Mr. Dee Chamberlain, SSOA  
Mr. Dale Browne, Bonneville School of Sailing  
Ms. Louise Frye, Bonneville School of Sailing  
Mr. Todd Frye, Bonneville School of Sailing  
Mr. Terry Judd, Sailor  
Ms. Laura Harper, Sailing Club  
Mr. Rex Hale, Q90  
Mr. Russell Sorensen, Citizen  
Ms. Emily Weinhamer, Citizen  
Ms. Cindy Pickup, Citizen  
Mr. John Pickup, Citizen  
Mr. Stan Jenkins, Citizen  
Mr. Dan Poulsen, Citizen

**ABSENT:** CUWCD, Orem City, Salem City, Elk Ridge, Alpine City, Vineyard, Mapleton City, Highland City, and Santaquin City.

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### 1. Welcome and Call to Order

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:30 am and welcomed everyone. He excused Senator Deidre Henderson, Representative Mike McKell, and Mayor Curtis.

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**2. Conduct Annual Election of Executive Committee Members**

According to the bylaws, a Governing Board Executive Committee needed to be elected. The members currently serving on the Executive Committee expressed their willingness to continue in their positions unless others wanted the opportunity. There were no volunteers. Ms. Call motioned to keep the Executive Committee as presently constituted. Mayor Hadfield seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**3. Approve the Consent Agenda**

Mayor Wilson asked for approval of the consent agenda including the Governing Board minutes and financial reports from September, October, and November 2014. Ms. Call asked for a spelling correction in one set of minutes. Mayor Hadfield motioned to approve the consent agenda with the mentioned correction, and Commissioner Ellertson seconded it. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**4. Report from the Technical Committee**

Mr. Richard Nielson said the committee met in December where they discussed the October algae bloom at Utah Lake. Their new meeting time is at 9:30 am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

**5. Presentation from Hilary Arens, Utah Division of Water Quality, 2014 Algae Bloom**

Ms. Arens discussed the October 2014 algae bloom. She displayed a timeline of events, conditions that cause an algae bloom, as well as information about the dog that died at Utah Lake during the bloom. The dog's death was attributed to acute cardiovascular collapse.

She said toxin analyses were expensive and cost \$8,750 for 18 samples. She would like to develop protocols with the Utah Department of Health for responding to future algae blooms.

Mr. Price said the bloom was in an isolated area covering less than 5% of the lake.

**6. State of the Lake Annual Report by Reed Price, Executive Director.**

Mr. Price said the Utah Lake Master plan doubles as the Comprehensive Management plan for FFSL. It was adopted In June 2009.

**Transportation Planning Task:** Final planning for trails in Saratoga Springs are being developed. Ms. Call said two Jordan River trail segments will be completed in the next 18 months.

**Access Improvement/Development Task:** Because of successful phragmites removal, shoreline area and access points have opened up. Legal access points have been prioritized for improvements. Uniform signs mark access points and acceptable activities at each access point. The ULC assisted FFSL with the Dock Review Amendment of the ULC Master Plan and are awaiting the final draft. The Adopt-a-Shoreline program is being developed with FFSL. Access to the Knolls area is in negotiation.

**Public Education and Outreach Task:** The ULC sponsored a field trip for 1000 fourth grade students at Utah Lake, held the annual Utah Lake Festival, adopted the nature center conceptual plan, increased our social media/webpage outreach efforts, and held a photo contest.

**Phragmites:** Mr. Price briefly talked about the areas that were treated for phragmites, including re-treated areas. He said the ULC received over \$300K in grants and partnership funding for phragmites removal.

**Carp Removal Task:** Mr. Price said a funding strategy was developed, media and elected officials were invited to observe carp removal, \$500K of funding was awarded from the state, \$200K of matched funding was secured from BOR, the ULC won the "Golden Spike Award" for funding strategy, and over 3 million pounds of carp were removed in 2014. Mr. Mills said we need to remove at least 3 million pounds of carp each year and would cost at least \$650- \$700K.

**Membership Recruitment:** Six new municipalities were welcomed to the board including Alpine, Highland, Spanish Fork, Elk Ridge, Salem and Payson, giving us a total of 23 members.

**Transportation Planning Task:** Trail construction in Saratoga Springs is planned for 2015, and there is a possibility that a bridge proposal may be submitted.

1 **Access Improvement/Development Task:** Mr. Price said the ULC would support and seek funding for  
2 dredging of Utah Lake State Park harbor. The Governor set aside \$1.5M to dredge 3 harbors at Utah Lake,  
3 however, it is estimated that it will cost \$8M. Ms. Ault said if any money were allocated to Utah Lake, it would  
4 all go toward the Utah Lake State Park marina.

5 PEC has been hired to create the conceptual design for a beach in Provo. There are plans to implement the  
6 Adopt-a-Shoreline program, work with FSL to finalize the dock amendment, continue the nature center  
7 discussion, secure funding for and install signs at all 30 access points, and remove invasive plant species in  
8 strategic areas.

9 **Public Education and Outreach Task:** A media and PR committee is being organized. Other plans include  
10 a fishing tournament, a world record attempt, geocaches, a scavenger hunt, the Utah Lake Festival, a photo  
11 and art contest, field trips, s'mores party, zombie fishing, and assist in informing about the dangers of quagga  
12 mussels. Ms. Ault said that juvenile quagga mussels, called veligers, were found in Deer Creek Reservoir; it is  
13 uncertain if it was from live or dead quagga mussels. They cannot test again until the water is 50 degrees.

14 **Phragmites Control Task:** The ULC will continue maintenance of already-treated areas and seek funding  
15 for new treatment areas.

16 **Carp Removal Task:** Mr. Price said the biggest task for the ULC is to meet the funding needs to continue  
17 carp removal. We must also begin planning for ongoing maintenance needs.

18 **Water Quality Improvement Task:** There is a need to work with DWQ and the Department of Health to  
19 discuss water quality issues and solutions, assist in the creation of protocol to identify algae blooms, establish  
20 health advisory criteria to inform the public quickly, and to work with municipalities/POTWs to conduct  
21 research on water quality at Utah Lake.

22 **Long Term Funding Task:** Mr. Price feels long term funding will require a lot of attention. The ULC will be  
23 working with the Jordan River Commission and the Great Salt Lake Advisory Council to find funding solutions.  
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## 25 **7. Other Business or Public Comments.**

26 Ms. Cari Krejci said she was not notified about the spraying that took place near her home in Saratoga  
27 Springs.

28 Mr. Todd Frey expressed the need for dredging and clearing of rocks and sediment at the harbor. He is  
29 also concerned about the high estimate for dredging. Ms. Ault said there were two estimates that were given  
30 ranging from \$7.7 and \$8.8M.

31 Mr. Robert Grieve said the Lindon Harbor needs dredging.

32 Mr. Dale Brown said it is difficult to get his boat out of the harbor due to rocks and silt.

33 Mr. Dee Chamberlain suggested the option of identifying and spraying only non-native phragmites to save  
34 money on removal.

35 Ms. Cindy Pickup expressed the need for dredging at Utah Lake.

36 Mr. Stan Jenkins requested that the lake be dredged.

37 Mr. Joel Racker encouraged the Governing Board to lobby for funding.

38 Mr. Russell Sorensen requested to have the big rocks and boulders removed from the channels.

39 Ms. Call suggested that those who have dredging requests contact Mr. Price after the meeting.

40 Mayor Wilson said it is important for individuals/groups to request funding from legislators.  
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## 42 **8. Next Governing Board Meeting.**

43 The next Governing Board Meeting is scheduled at 7:30 AM on February 26, 2015 in the Ballroom of the  
44 Historic Utah County Courthouse.  
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## 46 **9. Adjourn.**

47 Mayor Hadfield motioned to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Ms. Call. Voting was unanimous  
48 in favor of the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 am.