

UTAH QUALITY GROWTH COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday October 26, 2005, 11:00 a.m.
Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District
8215 South 1300 West
West Jordan, UT 84088-0070**

MEMBERS PRESENT

ALLEN, Dave	Summit County Rancher
BILLINGS, Lewis	Mayor, City of Provo
BLACKHAM, Leonard	Commissioner, Dept Agriculture & Food (participation by phone)
CAIN, Camille	Weber County Commissioner
KOHLER, Mike	Wasatch County Council
LOFGREN, Dan	Chair; Utah Home Builders
PAGE, Carol	Davis County Commissioner
SMITH, Darrell	Mayor, City of Draper

MEMBERS EXCUSED

BARBER, Brad	Member-at-large
CHRISTENSEN, Carlton	Vice-Chair; Salt Lake City Council
RICHARDS, Flint	Utah Farm Bureau Federation
STYLER, Mike	Director, Dept. of Natural Resources (participating by phone)
DAVIS, Jaren	Utah Association of Realtors

GOPB STAFF

BENNETT, John	Project Manager
BOHN, Laura	Project Manager
CARVER, Brian	Project Manager
NEILSON, Nancy	Administrative Assistant

GUESTS

ACERSON, Jeff	Lindon City
ANDERSON, Mark	Sanpete County
COWIE, Adam	Lindon City
GITTINS, Jeffry R.	Woodlee Farmland
GITTINS, Lynda A.	Woodlee Farmland
HYDE, Kent	Consultant

JAMES, Bill	UDWR
JARDENE, Janice	Salt Lake City Council Staff
LEHMAN, Jill	Government Relations, The Nature Conservancy
LOVEJOY, Vaughn	TreeUtah
MILLER, Beverly	Utah Clean Cities
PRICE, Ann	Forestry, Fire and State Lands (FF&SL)
SLATER, Bruce	Department of Environmental Quality
SMITH, Amanda	The Nature Conservancy
WILLIAMS, Jeff	NRCS/RC&D

Agenda item #1 – Introductions – Dan Lofgren

Dan Lofgren welcomed those in attendance. Guests in the room introduced themselves.

Agenda item #2 – Public Comments

N/A

Agenda item #3 – Approval of Minutes from September 26, 2005 Meeting

Action taken: There was a motion to approve the minutes with the requested corrections and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**Agenda item #4 – Quality Growth Communities Report/
Meeting with Lieutenant Governor Gary Herbert**

Lieutenant Governor Gary Herbert expressed his continued support and interest in facilitating any effort to move the Quality Growth Communities program forward.

Commission members expressed the desire to invite both Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. and Lieutenant Governor Gary Herbert to the next Utah Quality Growth Commission meeting (to be held on Capitol Hill). Mayor Lewis Billings felt it important to verify goals shared by the Commission and the Governor and Lieutenant Governor. The consensus was that these meetings would clarify the Governor’s personal focus. Commissioner Carol Page suggested that they be held before the session and in June. Even if the meetings are very brief they would be greatly appreciated.

The Report to the Legislature will be on November 9th at 11:00 a.m. and will probably be scheduled in the west building in room W25. Final draft of the report will be sent to the Commission. The report has to be to the printer on Friday.

Agenda item #5 – Planning Grant Subcommittee Report: Approve Subcommittee Recommendation regarding planning grant applications

Action taken: After some discussion regarding planning needs in small towns, Dave Allen made the motion to move Joseph Town and Koosharem up to the approved planning grant list submitted by the subcommittee. This was accepted with the understanding that they continue to seek match funding from other sources with GOPB staff assistance if necessary. Commissioner Carol Page seconded the motion and the motion carried. (The motion was held open until Commissioner Blackham phoned in and accepted the motion.)

Planning Grants Awarded

Garfield County CRMP	\$10,000
Daggett County CRMP Trails Element	\$ 6,000
Iron County Hydrology Map	\$15,000
Lindon City Critical Lands Planning	\$10,000
Sanpete County/Fayette	\$15,000
Mt. Pleasant General Plan Update	\$ 6,500
Joseph Town General Plan Update	\$ 5,000
Koosharem General Plan Update	\$ 5,000

Lunch:

Lunch was provided by the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District with a presentation by David Ovard, General Manager and Bart Forsythe, Assistant Manager. Dave Rice led a tour of the demonstration gardens after the Commission meeting had adjourned.

In 1951 the Salt Lake County Commission organized the water district. In 1999 they changed the name to Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District. In 2000-2001 they built the demonstration gardens which they hope will provide water conservation ideas for the public to ‘directly steal.’

Agenda item #6 – Critical Lands Subcommittee Report: Review recommendation for additional funding for projects, and recommendation to approve spending for First Phase of Gittins Dairy.

Actions taken: Dave Allen made the motion to accept the following recommendations and Mayor Darrell Smith seconded the motion. With Commissioner Blackham on a teleconference call, the motion carried.

Gittins Dairy Phase 1 funded at	\$155,000
Selman Ranch funded at	\$120,000
Sandwash sink received an additional	\$ 25,000
Tree Utah Received an additional	\$ 15,000

Envision Utah/QGC partnership for Quality Growth Awards \$ 5,000

Agenda item #7 – Review proposal for new partnership with Envision Utah on “Governor’s Quality Growth Awards” – John Bennett and Tim Watkins of Envision Utah.

After some discussion about the awards and the partnership, the Commission allocated \$5,000.00 of support. However, further action regarding the partnership between Envision Utah and the Utah Quality Growth Commission was postponed until the next meeting.

Agenda item #9 – Administrative Items.

Next meeting to be held in December and the optional dates will be emailed to the Commission members.

Action Items:

- Nancy to schedule two optional dates for December meeting
- Invite Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. and Lieutenant Governor Gary Herbert to December meeting. (staff)
- Staff will complete final draft of 2006 Report to Legislature for review by the Commission via PDF
- November 9th at 11:00 in W25 (please verify room) will be report presentation

Adjourn:

1:35 p.m. (Commissioner Blackham called in at 1:40 p.m. and John reviewed all actions taken by the Commission with him and received his consensus on such.)