

**Commission Members Present:** Dan Herlihey, Don Cook, Gary Hausman (Chair), Gene Packer, John Butler, Larry Roos, Randy Williams, Richard Rhoads, Stephanie Fancher-English

**Commission Members Absent:** Sean Cronin (excused)

**Council Liaison Present:** Steve Olson

**City Staff Members Present:** Andrew Paranto, Bill Crowell, Christine Schraeder, Derek Turner, Jim Lees, Joe Bernosky, Kim O'Field, Larry Howard, Lynn Valdez, Michelle Erickson, Nathan Alburn, Roger Berg, Ryan Van Pelt, Tanner Randall, Tom Greene, and Travis Johnson.

**Guest Attendance:** Chris Beabout, Dave Mills, Dick Mallot, Gale Bernhardt, Henry Hetzel, Jane Clevenger, Jeff Breidenbach, and Richard Jurin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Gary Hausman called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Hausman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting.

**Motion:** Dan Herlihey made the motion.

**Second:** John Butler seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

### CITIZENS REPORT

Dick Mallot started the citizens reports by listing some accomplishments of the Platte River Power Authority (PRPA) leading up to 2020. In one year, PRPA is on track to meet 50 percent renewables by 2021. PRPA is currently considering contracts to get to 60% renewables by 2023. According to a citizen, Jane Clevenger, there have been studies about the coal fire power plant that will be able to decrease by a 30% run rate. Clevenger said that the American Lung Association has our air quality rated as an "F". Clevenger hopes that by reducing the run rate of the coal fire power plant, our air quality will improve. Dave Mills commented on EV charging locations. Mills currently goes to the City of Loveland Library several times a week to charge his vehicle, and it has been broken for almost a year. Bernosky said there was a big back log to get the capital equipment necessary to fix these stations. Christine Schraeder said we will have the equipment to fix these within days and installed very soon. Mills also mentioned that he would like to see more EV charging locations at the Foundry garage parking lot.

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

**Item 1: Monthly Financial Update – Jim Lees**

This item summarized the monthly and year-to date financials for November 2019.

Information item only. No action required.

**Item 2: Water Supply Update – Ryan Van Pelt**

This item provided a brief update of the City of Loveland's raw water supply.

Information item only. No action required.

### REGULAR AGENDA

**Item 3: LUC Resolution Recognizing the Market Value of One Unit of Colorado-Big Thompson Project Water – Nathan Alburn**

This item presented an updated evaluation of the City of Loveland's (City's) Cash-in-Lieu price charged to satisfy water rights required for development, based on data on the market price of one Colorado-Big Thompson Project (C-BT) unit.

**Recommendation:** Adopt a motion to approve Resolution #R-04-2019U recognizing the market price of one Colorado-Big Thompson Project unit to be \$45,368 per unit as authorized by section 19.04.041 of the Loveland Municipal Code.

**Motion:** Herlihey Made the motion.

**Second:** Butler seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

### STAFF REPORT

#### Item 4: Water and Power Strategic Plan – Joe Bernosky

The purpose of this item was to present the Department of Water and Power's Strategic Plan, and request LUC's endorsement of the plan in order to present the plan to City Council for approval. **Larry Roos** would like us to add that we support regional planning. **Don Cook** said that regarding the information on page 10, he would like to see information about retaining and attracting top staff. **Bernosky** said that he will add this into the Strategic Plan.

**Recommendation:** Adopt a motion to endorse and forward the Water and Power Strategic Plan to City Council for approval.

**Motion:** Dan Herlihey made the motion.

**Second:** John Butler seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

### COMMISSION/COUNCIL REPORTS

#### Item 9: Commission/Council Reports

**Dan Herlihey:** Herlihey requested information regarding the contractor for the Chimney Hollow Project. **Larry Howard** gave information about the contractor, who also built the Pleasant Valley Pipeline. The contractor chosen will begin in November 2020, if not in April of 2020. The contract is for \$485 million. Attorney **Derek Turner** added that the draft of the allotment contract took many hard hours of work, and this will be presented to LUC soon. The deadlines have drastically moved in order to attain the money for the contractor to begin construction. **Turner** hopes that this draft is available at the February 2020 LUC meeting. Next, this item will go through City Council for approval.

**Don Cook:** None.

**Gary Hausman:** Hausman asked about the rehab of the Idylwilde Hydroelectric plant. **Bernosky** said that we made great progress on removing the above ground equipment. We are still in negotiations with forest service and home owners in the area. The City got a lot of the above ground work done, but there is more work to do this coming year. **Bernosky** said it has been a long project in dealing with federal agencies and property owners. This item update will be scheduled for the January 2020 LUC meeting.

**Gene Packer:** Packer said that he appreciates **Bernosky's** focus on strategic planning.

**John Butler:** None.

**Larry Roos:** None.

**Randy Williams:** None.

**Stephanie Fancher-English:** Fancher-English noticed that there was a lot of large equipment stationed on the City's property facing first street, and she said it was the contractor that is staging on our property to get the Pulse construction work started.

**Council Report:** Councilor Steve Olson said that City Council has been fairly slow, but things will begin to rev up in 2020. **Olson** discussed the resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a fifth amendment to the fifth interim agreement with the municipal sub district, Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District Windy Gap Firming Project Water Activity Enterprise, for continued participation in the Windy Gap Firming Project.

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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**Item 10: Director's Report** – **Joe Bernosky** said that he has good news items. He introduced **Michelle Erickson** who will be having a baby soon. He wished her well and thanked her for her hard work. **Erickson** has been working on the Water Efficiency Plan. Last month, he really enjoyed **Tim Bohling's** presentation to LUC. **Bohling** discussed the Greenridge Glade project. **Bernsoky** was emailed by the Director of New York City Department of Water Supply Quality. They are struggling with taste and odor issues. They researched and found out what Loveland had done, and they are seeking guidance from us. This reflects the quality of the people working in the laboratory and treatment plant. **Bernosky** praised the expertise of our staff, and he is enormously proud.

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**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at **5:20 pm**. The next LUC Meeting will be January 15, 2020 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynn Valdez  
Recording Secretary  
Loveland Utilities Commission /s/ Gary Hausman, LUC Chairman