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## WATER DISTRICT #63

### 2109 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DECEMBER 11, 2019 STAR CITY HALL

Chairman Vernon Case called the meeting to order at 1:03 P.M. There were 6 guests at the meeting. Committee members present Vernon Case, Sam Rosti, Richard Durrant, Alan Newbill, Jim Payne, Larry Story, Mike Houston, Clintion Pline, Roland Springer, Martin Galvin, Randy Davison and Ray Nebeker. Guest: Bob Carter, Tom Rithaller, Ron Platt, Bryan Horsburgh. Matt Anders and Matt Weaver with IDWR

**Minutes:** Chairman Case asked for the minutes to be reviewed and approved. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Richard Durrant and second by Allen Newbil passed all in favor.

**Barber Dam Water Call:** Chairman Case asked Rex Barrie to go over the water call on Barber Dam. Rex gave an overview of the dam outages and explained to the committee that there were 2 notice of violations levied against Ada County and ENEL. Rex also informed the committee that he and Mike Meyers would be meeting with ENEL the week of the 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss ENEL plans for fixing the problem.

**Elmore County Water Right and Cat Creek:** Chairman Case asked Matt Weaver with IDWR to give an overview of Elmore County Water Right. Matt informed the Committee that the water right for Elmore County had been approved and that Elmore County had 5 years to start the building of the project and show beneficial use on the water right. Matt also stated that Elmore County could file for an extension if they do not make any progress. Elmore County's water right is for 200 CFS and 10,000 AF total storage out of Anderson only during flood control operations. Matt also spoke on Cat Creek project and informed the committee that there water right had not yet been approved by IDWR. There was no new information to report.

**Anderson Ranch Dam Raise:** Chairman Case asked Roland Springer to speak on Anderson Ranch Dam Raise. Roland informed the committee that the EIS study is still on going and that the study should be released in February to the public. Roland also stated that the Idaho Water Recourses Board has filled for the water rights on the Anderson Ranch raise. Roland informed the committee that the project cost could be released as early as the fall of 2020.

**Arrowrock Clam Shell Gates:** Chairman Case asked Rex Barrie to speak on the Arrowrock clam shell gates that failed this summer. Rex gave an overview of what happened on the clam shell gates. Rex informed the committee that the water that went past the Middleton Gage due to the failure of the clam shell gates would be charged to operational loss until the Bureau of Reclamation can make a decision on where the water will be charged. Roland informed the committee that the hydraulic lines will be replace every 5 years going forward the lines that failed where on the gates for 10 years.

**Weather Modification:** Chairman Case asked Rex Barrie to talk about weather modification. Rex informed the committee that our agreement with Idaho power will end this water season and the committee needed to decide if they want to continue with cloud seeding. The committee decided that they did want to continue with cloud seeding a motion was made by Richard Durrant and second by Jim Payne motion passed all in favor.

### **New Business:**

**Winter Stream Flow Maintenance:** Chairman Case asked Rex Barrie to speak on winter stream flow maintenance. Rex informed the committee that Idaho Fish and Game is looking at changing the flow regimen on the Boise River during the winter months to help improve the fishery on the Boise River. Rex also informed the committee that fish and game would like to make a presentation at the annual meeting to go over their proposal for possible change in the flows.

**Fill/Refill Accounting:** Chairman Case asked Matt Anders with Idaho Department of Water Recourses to give his presentation on Refill 1 & 2 accounting process. Matt informed the

committee that refill 1 & 2 have water right numbers associated with them now and that they are now in accounting the new water right numbers are 63-33734A and 63-33734B. Matt informed the committee that these new water rights will be used by the Bureau of Reclamation to turn flood control on and off in the accounting. BOR will need to let the watermaster know when flood control will be on and off and then the watermaster will change the accounting accordingly.

**Resolutions:** Chairman Case asked Rex Barrie to review the resolution's and the changes to resolution F, I, and J. Rex reviewed the changes and there was a motion to adopt the resolutions as corrected by Clinton Pline and second by Richard Durrant motion passed all in favor.

**Dixie Slough Water Call:** Chairman Case asked Rex Barrie to speak about the Dixie Slough water call. Rex deferred the topic to Mike Meyers. Mike gave the committee an over view on what happened with the city of Boise and what the water call means for the administration of the Dixie Slough. Mike stated that there will be added time to the route every week on checking diversions and that there could be up to a dozen new diversions that Water District 63 could have to administer this upcoming water season. Rex gave an overview on how this water call happened. Rex also told the committee that Greg Obendorf will receive a notice of violation for not installing a weir on his diversion off the Dixie.

**Advisory Committee:** Chairman Case informed the committee that he is stepping down from the Advisory Committee of Water District 63 effective at our annual meeting January 11<sup>th</sup> 2020. Vern suggested his replacement to be Ron Platt. A motion to have Ron Platt on the Advisory Committee was made by Richard Durrant and a second by Clinton Pline.

**Watermaster Report:** Chairman Case Asked Rex Barrie to give the Watermaster's report. Rex Gave an overview of the Watermaster's report. Rex also went over the Profit and Loss for 2019 through December. Rex then went over the new budget for 2020. Rex than gave an over view of the auditor's finical report. There was a motion made to accept the Watermasters and audit report by Richard Durrant and a second by Ray Nebeker passed all in favor. The Committee went into executive session at 3:00 and returned to open meeting at 3:20.

**Deputy Watermaster Report:** Chairman Case asked Mike Meyers to give the Deputy Watermaster's report. Mike gave the committee an over view of the progress in the upper basin and what next year will look like in the upper basin.

Marty Galvin asked the Chairman and the committee if Water District 63 if we would be donating to Karen Edwards retirement. It was decided that Water District 63 would donate \$500 to her retirement. A motion was made to approve by Marty Galvin a second by Mike Houston and passed all in favor.

There being no further business the meeting was Adjourned at 4:06 P.M.



Chairman



Sam Rosti, SEC/Treas



Date