

Water District 140 Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2014

Burley City Hall

Meeting called to order by Mike Cranney.

Steve Hepworth read minutes from 2013.

Motion to accept minutes by Dusty Galliher, Brent stoker second. Voted and passed.

Meeting Elections

Randy Brown nominated Mike Cranney as chairman, Craig Searle motion to cease nominations. Voted and passed.

Steve Hepworth nominated Jaxon Higgs as meeting secretary, Dusty Galliher motioned to close nominations, voted and passed.

Water master report by Jaxon Higgs, Assistant Watermaster.

Discussed deliveries and assessments determined by AF usage which is slightly different this year.

Discussed the number of measurements in each sub district and costs.

Reviewed the summary sheet.

Motion to accept report by Brent Stoker, second by Dusty Galliher, voted and passed.

Treasurer: Don Pickett nominated by David Pickett, second by Craig, passed.

Changes to advisory committee, none, motioned by did it anyway.

Water Master: Water Well Consultants Inc. nominated by Randy Brown, Brent Stoker second. Voted and passed.

Jaxon Higgs presented the proposed budget. Everything stays the same except for curtailment budget of \$16,000.

Don Pickett asked about those within the new boundary of the model but outside SW and GC. Jaxon said they will come to SW for mitigation for a price. Don wants to know if we can tack on additional costs to those not in a district to pay their due portion. Tim Luke cleared up the confusion with an explanation by stating that large scale problems (curtailment) would be given manpower or financial help by IDWR.

Budget: Motion to accept by Grant Wyatt, second by Dusty Galliher. Voted and passed.

Resolutions: motion by David Pickett, second by Tyler Cranney. Voted and Passed.

Jaxon Higgs showed powerpoint slides to describe and explain the water calls and potential curtailment.

Dean Stevenson from Magic Valley said there are some plans to deal with the curtailment in the mail but he cannot discuss it because it is privy to IGWA. Added that due to the change from futile to non-futile and trim line there are no safe ground water rights anymore.

Randy Brown asks what the Ground Water District's responsibility is to cover those outside their boundaries if they don't have enough mitigation to cover their own members. Tim replied that he did not yet know. Discussion ensued.

Mike Cranney thanks the Southwest Irrigation District board for what they do.

Mike Cranney talks about conservation- adopting a management plan for users who receive water from a district. Crop rotation and other management things

Tim Luke explains the rangen call and the end of adjudication at the end of this year.

The end of adjudication means there must be a mitigation plan in place in order for expansion acres to continue to be used within a critical ground water area.

Idaho code minimum charge for water district has been raised to \$250

Legislation for aquifer credits is tabled.

Corbin Knowles estimates 85-90% compliance on meters.

Everybody should have a meter in 2014.

Notices of violation and cease and desist will be turned over to compliance bureau in the department

Don Pickett asks Tim Luke if the minimum charge legislation has passed. Tim replies that it hasn't.

Don Pickett motions to adjourn, Steve Hepworth seconded. Voted and Passed.