

## **Annual Water Meeting**

**March 1, 2022**

### **District 74-A Geertson Creek**

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The annual water meeting was called to order at the Salmon Public Library on March 1st, 2022 at 7:00 pm. Those in attendance were: Bert Jeffries, Rockie Walker, LeAnne Walker, Linda Price, Rory Krenka, Verdell Olson, Valerie Olson, & Nathan Stokes.

The meeting was called to order by Bert. He had all members sign in. Last year's minutes were read by Valerie, there were no corrections of the minutes. Valerie passed out a copy of the profit & loss for the year, to all members. The water district is continuing to increase the balance in the checking's account, with the small increase that was made in 2019 of water user's tax.

Nominations then took place: For Chairman, Verdell nominated Bert and was seconded by Rory. Bert nominated Valerie for secretary, this was seconded by Nathan. Verdell nominated Rockie to continue as water master & Rory seconded.

The district thanked Rockie for doing such a great job & making himself available when needed. Bert asked Rockie what ditches & repairs need to be made for the upcoming season? He said there was a couple weirs that needed addressed. Two of the diversions were not used this past season. Rockie asked water users to make sure all plugs are cleaned out of creek, so water can stay in the stream channel. Verdell asked Rockie if he needed more money to cover the price increase in gas prices. It was agreed to wait & see how high gas prices get. Rockie noted that he took Rory out to see all the diversions and ditches this past summer, so he could be more familiar with the creek.

Linda Price was introduced to all members. She was attending the meeting, as she is on an advisory panel with the BLM. She is interested in becoming familiar with different water districts. Bert asked her about the water rights on the BLM. She explained how spring stock water rights are shared by the range users and the BLM. They are working on some changes in the near future concerning these rights. Linda asked about how the treasure/secretary collects money for our

district. Valerie explained to her that we handle our own monies and set our own budget in water district 74A.

Rockie then showed all attendees the water master's report for the year 2021. It was compared to 2020 years report. Everyone was shocked at how the water use had decreased this past year. It had decreased from 3798. Cfs in 2020, to 1065. CFS in 2021. The drought was discussed, and there are many concerns with all water users.

The proposed budget for 2022 will be as follows:

Water master compensation: \$2500.00 (\$1200.00 mileage, \$1300.00 wages)

Net for wages (\$1200.55)

Fica/fed payroll tax: \$198.90

Workman's comp ins. \$300.00

Secretary wages: \$200.00

Stamps: 10.00

Total: \$3109.45

Checking/Savings account balance as of January 1, 2022

Eastern Idaho Credit Union: \$1832.11

Water assessments for 2022 are as follows:

Tonsmeire Ranch: \$376.13

Verdell Olson: \$445.42

Sarah White: \$257.36

Jolley Ranch: \$775.37

Dave Santos: \$270.56

Vergil Olson: \$138.58

Bert Jeffries: \$386.03

Ramaldo Martin: \$649.99

Total Assessments for 2022: \$3299. 44

Water Master Salary:

Gross salary: \$1300.00 - Mileage expense: \$1200.00 – Total: \$ 2500.00

Water Master call schedule for 2022: April 1-April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1 call weekly or as needed.

May 1- August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2 calls weekly or as needed. Sept. 1 – Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1 call weekly or as needed.

Resolved: All water assessments are due and payable April 1, 2022. No water user shall have the right to demand and receive water, and the water master shall not deliver water to such persons, until the assessments, as set by the current budget are paid in full.

Resolved: When one water user has his water shut off, whatever the reason, the water master will notify the other users who may want the water. High water is to be equally divided among all water users who want to use it.

Resolved: The water master is to be paid four times a year. 04/15/22 – 06/15/22 – 08/15/22, the last payment will be issued after the water master's report has been filed with the water resource and all locks (if being used) have been removed from the head gates at the end of the irrigation season.

Resolved: The creek will be measured the day before the lake water is turned on.

Resolved: All water users are to apply adequate pressure to their diversions; check head gates are not leaking and furnish dam material for the water master to put in front of head gates if needed. Please give 24hr notice when requesting water.

Resolved: If the water master cannot be available in the 24 hr. call period, then the chairman and 2 other water users will measure and distribute the water accordingly.

With no further business, Bert moved that the meeting adjourn. Verdell seconded.

Bert Jeffries – Chairman

Valerie Olson – Secretary



**Please send water dues to: Water district 74-A, C/O Valerie Olson**

**151 Geertson Creek Rd.**

**Salmon, Idaho 83467**

# ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE

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WATER DISTRICT NO. 74 A

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WATER DISTRICT AREA Geertson Creek

Date March 1 Time 7:00 am/pm (pm)

Location Library

Address Salmon ID.

NAME	ADDRESS	REPRESENTING
<u>Linda Price</u>	<u>1206 S. Challis Salmon</u>	<u>BLM</u>
<u>Bert Jeffries</u>	<u>249 Geertson Cr. Rd</u>	<u>B. Water Users Group</u>
<u>Vendell Olson</u>	<u>151 Geertson</u>	
<u>Nathan Stokes</u>	<u>646 Lemhi Rd</u>	<u>Boyd Stokes</u>
<u>Lue Ann Walker</u>	<u>569 Hwy 28</u>	
<u>Rockie Walker</u>	<u>569 Hwy 28</u>	<u>Water master</u>
<u>Rory Krenka</u>	<u>35 Starr Lane</u>	
<u>Val Olson</u>	<u>151 Geertson</u>	<u>Secretary</u>