

Water District 130  
Annual Meeting Minutes - February 7, 2023  
Idaho Department of Fish and Game  
Magic Valley Regional Office – Sublett Conference Room

Dean Stevenson opened the meeting at 2:06 p.m. and asked everyone to sign in.

**Attendance:** Rob Whitney, Corey King, Bob Shepard, Jim Redmond, Joey Wallace, Justin Temple, Benton Palmer, Joel Seamons, Donna Forsyth, Justin Hulme, Bart Webster, Jaxon Higgs & Ryan Shurtliff with Ground Water Well Consultants, Dave Betts, Brian Ragan, Linda Lemmon, Tom Van Tassel, Dean Stevenson, Meribeth Lomkin, Brent Stanger, Rigo Juarez, Laurel Grant, Douglas Grant, Jr., Mark Sabala

The Water District Advisory Committee introduced themselves: Meribeth Lomkin, Joey Wallace, Justin Temple, Linda Lemmon (for Gary Lemmon), Tom Van Tassel, Benton Palmer (City of Burley, filling in for Brian Reiter).

Dean Stevenson recognized the IDWR employees present: Brian Ragan (Water Master), Dave Betts, Corey King (Assistant Water Master), Rob Whitney

Benton Palmer moved to select Dean Stevenson as meeting chairman and Meribeth Lomkin as meeting Secretary. Jim Van Tassel seconded the motion and it passed.

The group reviewed the minutes from February 1, 2022. Justin Temple moved to accept the minutes as amended (correct mis-spelled name). Joey Wallace seconded the motion, motion passed.

**Subdistrict Meetings-Advisory Committee Membership Update:**

The group separated into subdistrict groups and held subdistrict meetings. After the full group reconvened, it was noted that all Advisory Committee members stayed the same. Some phone numbers were added to the Advisory Committee "roll call" list. Brian Ragan noted that he had an email from Kresta Davis, she was not able to attend today's meeting but is willing to continue as an Advisory Committee member.

Lynn Carlquist moved to approve the Advisory Committee members and chairperson. Justin Temple seconded the motion, motion passed.

**Water District 130 updates - Brian Ragan:**

**Update:** Brian Ragan is the new watermaster (since March 2022).

**2022 Curtailments:**

3 in season injury and 1 carryover injury were filed.  
2 curtailed  
24 investigated – but nothing to curtail

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11 un-used wells

*Fall 2022 reading event included 1700 devices.*

200+ use power consumption co-efficient as the metering method, this is allowed on simple irrigation systems (ex: 1 well and 1 pump).

Reason for deficiencies:

46 – dead batteries – a chronic problem

13 – broken meters

28 – no power to meter

IDWR is preparing mailings now to notify water users about meter maintenance needed.

*Spring Flow Data:*

Brian showed data through early 2023 for spring flows in the Kimberly to King Hill Reach with comparison to average monthly diversion rate.

*Snowpack/Forecast:*

Brian showed the mountain snow water equivalent information/ NRCS Snowtel maps.

*ESPA Recharge Summary:*

84,613 acre feet recharged (Provisional amount – not final data) between 10/15 and 2/1.

*Review Financial Report:*

See handout for details – Fiscal year is March 1 through February 28.

*Review Proposed Budget:*

See proposed budget handout. Basically the same as last year – it was 231 diversion points, now it is 230 diversion points. No questions on budget. Advisory Committee recommended this budget for 2023.

Lynn Carlquist explained that if you are a member of the North Snake Ground Water District, your share to operate WD-130 is paid by NSGWD. NSGWD charges each operator that amount in their NSGWD O&M fee.

*Resolutions:*

The group reviewed the resolutions – changes were highlighted during the review: including updating dates and names (water master- #2, treasurer - #3, budget - #4, Advisory Committee Chair - #10), budget amounts and reviewing minimum charge. No questions or concerns were voiced about the resolutions.

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Bob Shepard moved to adopt the resolutions as presented. Jim Redmond seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Other Business:

None.

Dean Stevenson stated that we appreciate IDWR and their staff for keeping Water District 130 running smoothly. Brian Ragan appreciates the help of the Advisory Committee during the change of watermaster this past year.

Jim Henderhan moved to adjourn the meeting. Justin Temple seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Meribeth Lomkin,  
Secretary

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