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**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF WATER DISTRICT 45-N**

March 9, 2023

Twin Falls, Idaho

The annual meeting of the water users of Water District 45-N was held on March 9, 2023, at the office of Coleman, Ritchie & Jacobson, 156 2nd Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho, and via Zoom Video Conference, at 10:00 a.m.

The following persons were present:

Brian Huettig
David Pickett
Lincoln Pickett
Russel Patterson
Lisa Patterson
Glen Bessire
Jana Reeder
David A. Coleman

The minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting were read. After reading the previous year's meeting minutes, David Pickett moved to approve the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Russel Patterson. By unanimous vote the motion passed.

Upon motion by Russel Patterson and seconded by Lincoln Pickett, it was unanimously approved that David A. Coleman would act as Chairman of the meeting.

Upon motion by David Pickett and seconded by Lincoln Pickett, David A. Coleman was nominated to serve as Secretary and Treasurer of the Water District for the 2023 water year. By unanimous vote the motion passed.

The next matter of business was the discussion of a budget for 2023. After discussion of the matter, motion was made by David Pickett, seconded by Russel Patterson, that the budget for 2023 would remain the same as it was in 2022. By unanimous vote the motion passed.

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The Budget is as follows:

Watermaster's Salary	\$1,000.00
Secretary/Treasurer's Salary	\$1,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>500.00</u>
	\$2,500.00

The Chairman announced that the next matter of business was the election of a Watermaster whereupon Matt Hitt was nominated by David Pickett, seconded by Lincoln Pickett. No other nominations were made. It was agreed that the salary offered to the Watermaster in 2022 would remain the same in 2023. By unanimous vote the motion passed.

In connection with the matter of the payment of assessments, the following motion was made by Glen Bessire and seconded by Russel Patterson, and adopted by unanimous vote:

"It being desirable that a date different than that fixed by statutes, i.e., June 1, be fixed as the final date upon which the amount payable from each water user as shown by the adopted budget shall be due; and that the water payments be made prior to delivery of any water,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the amounts payable by each water user as shown by the adopted budget, shall become due and payable on April 15, 2023, and said amounts if not so paid shall bear interest at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no water be delivered by the Watermaster of this District to any water user until such time as the assessments for such water user are paid in full."

An advisory board to serve for the 2023 irrigation season was discussed. Motion was made by Russel Patterson to remove Poncho Villalobos and replace with Brian Huettig and that the other members of advisory committee for the Water District for the irrigation season of 2023 would remain the same as they were in 2022, with the exception of replacing Poncho Villalobos with Brian Huettig. The motion was seconded by Lincoln Pickett. By unanimous vote the motion passed. The members of the advisory committee are:

Darrell Funk
Glen Bessire
Russel Patterson
Nate Pickett
Lincoln Pickett
Brian Huettig

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A discussion was held about water delivery to Russel Patterson when flows decrease. There was concern that it was being shut off unilaterally. David Coleman explained the futile call doctrine and suggested that IRWR personnel could assist the Watermaster in reaching the decision when to not send water down the creek. It was also discussed that an agreement might be reached for extending the water as long as possible.

After the foregoing discussion, no further items came before the meeting. Russel Patterson moved to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Lincoln Pickett. The meeting was adjourned.

DATED this 9th day of March, 2023.



DAVID A. COLEMAN, Secretary/Treasurer

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