

Water District 61E Cold Springs Creek
Annual Meeting Minutes
January 09, 2023 – 6:00PM – Glenns Ferry City Hall

Present: Teresa and Terri McCallum, Kelly and Paula Riggs, Harley and Shelley Riggs and Rich Wootan. The meeting was brought to order by previous year Chair Rich Wootan.

Teresa nominated Rich to be Chair for the meeting, Harley second, motion passed.

Teresa nominated Paula to be meeting Secretary, Kelly second, motion passed.

Minutes: Teresa motioned to approve the minutes, Kelly second, motion passed.

Water Master Report: Rich said he had 29 calls out and 1892 miles. Kelly asked Rich who is the diversion for on the IDWR website that says weir and flowmeter. Rich thinks it is the Government but there is never any reporting on them. Kelly also asked why there are 2 MC Stock diversions, Rich said one runs out one side and the other runs out the other side. Rich said Ellis was just added because they do have a working flowmeter now. Kelly asked why McCallum's lower diversion is not on the list, Rich said it is #120015. Kelly said he wants to know about the other McCallum flow meter that in their transfer to the pivot west of the ranch approval the hearing officer required that there be a flowmeter prior to the pivot running. He asked if Rich reads that. Rich said if it is creek water, he reads it. Kelly said it is comingled water it is a transfer of creek water from the lower section. Reason for clarification is he wants to know if it is measured water and that someone is reading the flowmeter. Rich said yes it goes through the lower CDN meter. Harley wanted to know if there is a total gallonage to stock water? Rich said yes 1.54 CFS for 365 days. Kelly asked how Rich gets the calculation on the report. Example: .23 per day x 30 days x months that it ran gets total cfs on the bottom of the report. Kelly stated that Paula asked for a detail list from IDWR that shows every detail of every water right on the creek. Paula will send it to Rich. Teresa moved to accept the WM report, Kelly second, motion passed.

Financial Report: Teresa gave the treasurer report. Everyone paid assessments, Ellis paid some past dues so that is why the dollar amount is a little higher at \$2,095.84. Beginning Balance \$8,383.80. Expenses paid were Rich, Workman's Comp and Bank Charges. workman's comp went up from \$300 to \$402. Total expenses \$4,493.00. Ending balance of \$5,986.64. Kelly made a motion to approve, Harley second motion passed.

Proposed Budget:

Teresa stated the carryover is \$5986.64, all expenses stay the same with 71 call outs, 4,550 miles, workers comp increased to \$402, office supplies and bank charges totaling \$10,351.00. With the \$1,000 slush total to be collected from assessments is \$4364.36. Harley motioned to approve the proposed budget, Kelly Second, motion passed.

Adopt 2023 Resolutions:

Teresa said nobody said anything about any changes although she would like to change the date of the annual meeting. It is too hard to get all the year end documents done and out to people in time with it being right after Christmas and New Year's. She recommended that last Monday of January instead of the second Monday. Harley was concerned that moving it later does not leave any time if there are any issues for that years water turn on. He is also concerned with the new King Hill Irrigation pipeline effective this year will impact our meetings. This will impact everyone down below when the canal gets eliminated. is that if we ever had to find a new water master it doesn't give much time to find another before water season. Kelly asked to clarify what the statute says on when the meeting must be done. Harley wanted to know if we should move the meetings to the same day as the other

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local water districts during the day so that a IDWR representative would be here. Teresa said the other districts are the second Tuesday which doesn't solve the problem of timing. Kelly made a motion to move to the last Monday in January with the condition it is allowed. Teresa second, motion passed. Teresa then moved to approve the Resolutions with the date change, Kelly second, Harley said he would not vote since he did not get a copy prior to the meeting. Harley said he would like to see all the documentation prior to the meeting and have time to read everything. Motion passed.

NOTE: Paula verified the next day the statute #42-605 states meetings must be between the 2nd Monday in January and the 4th Tuesday in May so the Resolution motion is correct as stated.

Select Advisory Committee:

Teresa moved to keep the same with all users. Harley second, motion passed.

Elections:

Election of Watermaster: Teresa nominated Rich Wootan, Rich said he would accept but he wanted an assistant. He wants to have his wife April and it would not cost the district any more money, she would be paid his call outs and mileage when she goes out for him. IDWR told Rich he is responsible to pay any assistant not the district. Kelly wanted to know about training her to read the measurements. Rich said he would train her, there isn't anything out there for training. Rich wanted to know if it would affect workman's comp. Harley wants to confirm what the liability would be. Teresa stated that workman's comp is based on dollar amount paid each year not on how many employees. So she said April would be covered. Harley wants to confirm that. Teresa revised her nomination to Rich and April Wootan as Watermasters. Kelly second, motion passed.

NOTE: Paula verified with Idaho Workmans Comp (Tori) that it is based off total wages not individuals so in this case we are covered to add April.

Election of Treasurer: Kelly nominated Teresa, Harley second, motion passed.

New Business:

Paula discussed the new IDWR water master reports and that these reports do not match the assessments users have been charged the last several years. Teresa said she never knew who was who on the diversion numbers so it is in fact wrong. She will get with IDWR and get the correct water usage for each user and go back to 2016 and re-construct all of them. She said the website is very confusing on the watermaster report and suggested herself, Paula and Shelley sit down and go back 7 years and recalculate everyone's assessment to see if any is owed a credit. Kelly suggested April be included in that meeting as new Watermaster. This needs to be done ASAP so Teresa, Paula, Shelley and April will set a meeting and then the revised will be sent out to all users with the corrections and explanation.

Kelly made a motion to adjourn to the last Monday in January which is January 29, 2024. Second by Teresa, motion passed. Next meeting will be January 29, 2024 at 6:00, Glenns Ferry City Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Riggs
Secretary

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