## Water District 67A Advisory Meeting 01/18/23 Indian Valley Fire Hall, 1:30 pm

Attendees: Wendy Green, Becky Arrien, Ray Turnbull, Royce Schwenkfelder, Jeff Dunham, Ralph Yantis, Kellie Smith (IDWR)

Called to order- by Chair Turnbull at 1:36 pm

Secretary Arrien to take minutes.

Review and approve minutes from Oct 19, 2021 Meeting- minutes reviewed by committee, no corrections or additions, Schwenkfelder motioned to accept, Dunham second, passed.

Financial Update- discussion tabled until our Annual meeting.

## **Old Business-**

Equal Pay- Wendy Green is being paid equally from LWID and 67A, discussion was held to ensure that the match was made. Dunham made a motion to approve 67A matching LWID for equal pay, Yantis second, approved.

Wendy Green is intending to ask for an increase in salary at our annual meeting, currently she receives \$8,000 from each district annually, for a total of \$16,000. Discussion was held about what an increase would look like for her. Smith advises that the pay be based on the cost of delivering the water, and how much effort is there in making that happen. Other districts also struggle with that. Water District 67 is proposing an increase for their watermaster position, they are currently recruiting for. Concern was expressed about keeping the salary lower in the event of a new watermaster being hired. Discussion continued, a resolution was proposed that we increase her salary to \$18,000, which would give LWID and 67A a \$1000 increase. Point was made that if Wendy were to resign, the district would offer a new hire a lesser amount. Schwenkfelder motioned to approve that increase and maintain it for the next two years, Dunham second, passed.

## **New Business-**

Watermaster Report: Green presented members with a report, she is taking measurements in cfs. Green and Smith worked on a graph together to present to members. One caveat to this, is the readings are dependent on weirs functioning properly. The report presented here is the same as is reported to IDWR. Increasing communication is key with Green on when users need water coming and when to stop it. Discussion continued around the Allison Ditch, the top and bottom end of the system. Smith presented some grants and programs that will be coming available with the State that our district will be eligible for. Discussion moved to raising the reservoir, what that could take and the legacy it would leave for generations to come.

