

Annual Water District Meeting Checklist

Water district annual meetings must address certain topics. The checklist below will help ensure each water district is addressing the necessary topics during the annual meeting. Please return this completed checklist to the appropriate IDWR regional office along with the adopted budget, resolutions, and annual meeting minutes.

Water District Number and Name:

32 C Medicine Lodge Creek

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EASTERN REGION

Meeting Date, Time and Location:

Tuesday March 5, 2024 Clark County/City Annex Building
1:00 p.m. Dubois ID.

- ☒ Election of meeting chairman and secretary (*chairman facilitates meeting and secretary must record meeting minutes and submit to IDWR within 5 business days following the meeting*)
- ☒ Read and approve previous year annual meeting minutes
- ☒ Watermaster report and presentation of proposed budget
- ☒ Treasurer financial report
- ☒ Adopt budget (*must be submitted to IDWR immediately following the meeting*)
- ☒ Elect watermaster*
- ☒ Elect assistant watermaster(s)* (optional)
- ☐ Elect water district treasurer*
- ☒ Select an advisory committee (optional)
- ☐ Adopt resolutions (*must be submitted to IDWR immediately following the meeting*)
- ☒ Determine next year's meeting date, time and location

Date 03/04/2025 Time 1:00 Location Dubois

* An oath is required before the first year of service.

By signing below I verify that all required actions have been addressed at the water district annual meeting.

Completed by:

Laurie Small / secretary

Water District Representative / Title

03/11/2024

Date

**WATER DISTRICT 32-C
MEDICINE LODGE CREEK
Dubois, Clark County, Idaho**

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**DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES
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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2024

In accordance with the provisions of the Idaho Code setting the date of the annual meeting for the Water District, the users of Water District 32-C met this day at 1:00 p.m. at the Clark County Annex Building in Dubois, Idaho, for the purpose of electing a Watermaster, Chairman and Secretary, and transacting such other business that might come before the meeting pertaining to the irrigation water of the District.

Those in attendance were Greg Shenton, Watermaster; Brett Murdock, Deputy Watermaster; Brock Egan, Matt Hoggan, Caleb Munns, Rhett Jacobs, Kevin Small, Tod Shenton, and Laurie Small, secretary.

In Brock Egan called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

ADOPTING PROPOSED AGENDA:

Brock Egan presented the agenda for the meeting as listed below:

- Review the Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Nomination & Election of Chairman & Secretary
- Nomination & Election of Credentials Committee
- Watermaster's Report
- Budget Approval
- Election of Watermaster
- Review & Adoption of Resolutions
- IDWR Report
- Other Business
- Next Annual Meeting Date & Time
- Adjournment

Kevin Small moved that the agenda be adopted. Matt Hoggan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

MINUTES:

Mr. Egan entertained a motion to approve the 2023 minutes. Tod Shenton motioned to approve the minutes from 2023 meeting. Kevin Small seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Mr. Egan asked for nominations from the floor for the office of Chairman and Secretary. Tod Shenton nominated Brock Egan as Chairman and Laurie Small as secretary. Kevin Small seconded the motion. Nominations passed.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Chairman Brock Egan waived appointing a Credentials Committee at this time. One will be appointed at a later date if needed.

WATERMASTER'S REPORT:

Deputy Watermaster, Brett Murdock, discussed the 2023 Water District 32-C Watermaster's report as follows.

2023 WATER YEAR:

The 2023 water delivery was 24,768 A.F. of water compared to 13,776 A.F. in 2022. There was not water delivered in April.

2023-24 SNOW COURSE MEASUREMENT:

Snow measurements at Irving Creek were 20.4" with 4" water content averaging 91% of normal. Weber Creek snow depth was 18.6" with 4" water content averaging 83% of normal. The average of the two creek drainages at 87% of normal. Measurements were taken March 1, 2024. Thirty-year averages were 4.4" of water in Irving Creek and 4.8" of water in Weber Creek.

Cloud seeding continues with 25 manual and 25 remote generators. The manual generators are funded by contributions from 4-5 counties with a budget of about \$250,000.00. The remote generators are funded and controlled by Idaho Power. Generators were shut off 2-3 weeks early in 2023 due to suspension criteria in Medicine Lodge to avoid avalanche and flooding. Manual generators were run less in November and December but with the current storm patterns have been utilized more in February and beginning of March. IDWR has agreed to contribute \$30,000.00 if the manual generator budget is depleted. They have not contributed any funding yet.

There is an increase in problem beaver on Medicine Lodge. The Watermaster and Deputy Watermaster cannot remove the beaver. A trapper needs to be requested by the wateruser and there are funds available for a bounty.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET:

Deputy Watermaster, Brett Murdock, reviewed the 2023 budget explaining the expenditures. Mr. Murdock then presented the 2024 proposed budget.

	2024 PROPOSED BUDGET	2024 ADOPTED BUDGET
WATERMASTER	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
DEPUTY WATERMASTER	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
MILEAGE	\$6,000.00	\$6,800.00
SECRETARY	\$350.00	\$350.00
FICA TAX	\$650.00	\$650.00
INSURANCE (WC)	\$600.00	\$600.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
CLOUD SEEDING	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
RETIREMENT	\$900.00	\$900.00
OFFICE RENT	\$900.00	\$900.00
BEAVER	\$300.00	\$300.00
CELL PHONES	\$600.00	\$600.00
TOTAL	\$20,900.00	\$20,900.00
2024 BUDGET	\$20,900.00	
Less Carry Over	-\$1,799.06	
Budget Charge	\$19,100.94	

WATERMASTER'S REPORT & BUDGET APPROVAL:

Tod Shenton moved to accept the Watermaster's report. Matt Hoggan seconded. Motion passed.

Tod Shenton motioned to approve the proposed budget. Matt Hoggan seconded. Motion passed.

ELECTION OF WATERMASTER:

Chairman Brock Egan asked for nominations for Watermaster. **Kevin Small made the motion Greg Shenton continue as Watermaster and Brett Murdock continue as Deputy Watermaster. Matt Hoggan seconded the motion. Nomination passed.**

RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Egan then asked the water users to adopt the following resolutions.

Headgates and Weirs

"All control devices and measuring devices shall be in good working order before water can be demanded and delivered. The Watermaster shall not deliver any water unless such devices are in good working order."

"All headgate systems that have return flow capability or a bypass channel for the water to return to Medicine Lodge must have a weir installed and functioning before water will be delivered."

Collection of Water Assessments

"No ditch, canal, or other water user shall have the right to demand and receive water until full payment due is paid. Payment shall become due April 1, and shall be come delinquent May 1, and if not paid by May 1, the payment shall bear interest from May 1, at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum.

The Watermaster shall not deliver any water until full payment due is paid."

Watermaster Term of Service

"The Watermaster shall be elected for a term of one full year. The purpose is so the Watermaster can serve in the legal capacity to do official business for the district in the event of emergencies, legislative actions, hearings, disputes or other water related or job-related activities.

The Watermaster cannot be required to make water deliveries before April 1, or after November 1, (the normal irrigation season) unless an emergency exists. The Watermaster shall not be paid before April 1, or after November 1 from water district budgeted regular funds."

Pumping from Creek

"Prohibit any pumping directly form Medicine Lodge Creek as per the motion adopted 1980, which read as follows: "That no pumping be allowed from Medicine Lodge Creek or its tributaries, without first diverting and measuring water into a private pond or sump, to eliminate any interference with regulation of stream waters."

Calling the Deputy Watermaster to Duty

"The Deputy Watermaster shall be called to duty by the Watermaster for the remainder of the season at the request of three water users whose signatures shall authorize said action."

Deputy Term of Service

"The Deputy Watermaster shall be called to duty on May 1 to measure, record and regulate waters of Medicine Lodge Creek."

Pooling Agreement

"Be it resolved that the water users of Medicine Lodge Creek unanimously agree and direct the Watermaster to continue the practice of water right exchanges, which has been practiced since the formation of the stipulation and agreement dated March 2, 1954. Such practices shall include pooling of waters, rented waters, and exchanges beneficial to the users as a whole. The Watermaster is further directed not to deliver the above-mentioned waters to a downstream user, until that water delivery amount(c.f.s.) is assessed a bed loss

value to provide that no injury to an existing water right would occur. These losses should be assessed according to the average of U.S.G.S. bed losses measurements.

We further resolve that delivery of the above waters cannot be demanded prior to May 1, unless excess water exits the stream."

ADOPTING RESOLUTIONS:

Rhett Jacobs moved that all resolutions be adopted. Kevin Small seconded the motion. Resolutions passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Chairman Brock Egan appointed the following Matt Hoggan, No Kevin Small, Garth Ashcraft, Tod Shenton and himself as the Advisory Committee.

IDWR REPORT:

one was in attendance for IDWR.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Matt Hoggan reported that IDWR said he was allowed to extend water to a piece of property south of the pivots on his property.

Water is being diverted into ponds or ponds built into the natural channel at Lynn Tomlinson's property. Pictures of 3 manmade ponds were shown to the Watermaster and Deputy Watermaster. Mr. Murdock checked the ponds last year and reported that there was no water in the ponds last year but will check on it again and report back. If necessary, the Credential Committee will need to meet with Mr. Tomlinson about this issue.

Mr. Murdock reported on the control structure Garth Ashcraft put in on Indian Creek. The structure is working well but will need to be cleaned consistently.

MEETING TIME:

Kevin Small moved that next year's meeting is held on Tuesday March 4, 2025 at 1:00 p.m., at the Clark County Annex Building in Dubois, Idaho. Tod Shenton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Kevin Small moved to adjourn. Rhett Jacobs seconded. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Attest:


Brock Egan, Chairman


Laurie Small, Secretary

Water District 32-C

A G E N D A

March 5, 2024

1:00 p.m.

**Clark County
Annex Building**

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WATER DISTRICT NO. 32C

WATER DISTRICT AREA Medicine Lodge

Date 03/05/2024 Time 1:00 am/pm (pm)
Location Clark County/City Annex Bldg
Address 332 W. Main Street
Dubois ID 83423

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