

MINUTES
of the Water District 130 Annual Meeting
Tuesday February 4, 2014
IDFG Regional Office Meeting Room, Jerome Idaho

The meeting was commenced shortly after 2:00 pm by 2013 Chairman Phyllis Beard. Approximately 40 members and guests were in attendance.

Dean Stevenson nominated Ms. Beard as Chairman for the 2014 meeting; Randy MacMillan seconded and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Allen Merritt was nominated by Dean Stevenson to serve as meeting secretary. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Cindy Yenter read the 2013 meeting minutes. Dean Stevenson made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read. Dan Schaeffer seconded, and motion passed on a voice vote.

Chairman Beard proceeded to the selection of Advisory Committee members and Chairperson. After a general member caucus, the following Advisory Committee and alternates were identified:

Commercial, Industrial and Municipal: Phyllis Beard (Amalgamated) and Walt Appell (City of Jerome)

Alternates: Bryan Reiter (City of Burley), Dane Higdem (Glanbia)

Basin 37 ground water irrigator : Maribeth Lomkin (Dept of Lands)

Alternate: Dane Higdem (Glanbia)

North Snake GWD: Lynn Carlquist

Alternate: Steve Marshall

Magic Valley GWD: Dean Stevenson

Alternate: Orlo Maughan

A&B Irrigation District: Dan Temple

Alternate: Dan Schaeffer

Spring Users: Gary Lemmon, Gary Marquardt (SeaPac), Randy MacMillan (Clear Springs Foods), Jon Bowling (IPCO), Stan Standal (B37)

Alternate: Linda Lemmon

Subdistricts were invited to report on any activities. A&B Irrigation District reported the passage of a \$7 million bond for improvements at Minidoka Dam, and for a new pumping plant. Magic Valley GWD is partnering in this project. Other subdistricts declined the opportunity to report.

Watermaster Cindy Yenter reported on pending curtailment in Water District 130 during 2014, as a result of the Order issued by IDWR on January 29, 2014 in the Rangen call. This curtailment is expected to be implemented on March 14, 2014 unless a mitigation plan is approved. Additional curtailment is also possible during 2014 as a result of the ongoing Surface Water Coalition call. Lynn Carlquist and Dean Stevenson were able to provide some information that a mitigation plan was being developed but indicated that negotiations were still ongoing and most details were not yet public.

Treasurer Lynn Carlquist discussed with members the budget and accounting process in WD130. Watermaster Yenter then presented two proposed budgets for 2014. IDWR had recommended to all ESPA watermasters that they be prepared to administer curtailment orders in 2014 by increasing budget amounts to cover additional watermaster hours. WD130 Budget A proposed a modest increase of about \$20,000 in watermaster charges, and reflected the minimum anticipated amount that might be required for administration during 2014. Budget B proposed to nearly double the prior watermaster charges, to nearly \$94,000. This budget was the watermaster's best estimate of the amount which would be required in a worst-case curtailment scenario, by adding almost 700 combined hours to watermaster and Deputy positions.

After some discussion by the group, Dan Schaeffer made a motion to adopt Budget B. Rusty Gillette seconded. The motion was carried on a voice vote. There was a single dissenting vote.

Chairman Beard then presented a new version of WD130 resolutions which the Advisory Committee had drafted during summer 2013. The resolutions were streamlined and certain sections were added which better described the operation and policies of the District. The resolutions include sections naming Watermaster, Treasurer and Advisory Chair, but Chairmain Beard suggested that these positions be nominated and elected separately.

Dan Schaeffer nominated Lynn Carlquist to serve as District Treasurer. Dean Stevenson seconded; motion carried.

Dean Stevenson nominated Phyllis Beard to serve as Advisory Committee Chair. Dan Schaeffer seconded; motion carried.

Randy MacMillan nominated Cindy Yenter to serve as Watermaster. Dean Stevenson seconded; motion carried.

Dean Stevenson moved that the resolutions be adopted. Randy MacMillan seconded; motion carried.

There being no further questions or discussion, Dean moved that the meeting be adjourned. Randy seconded; motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 3 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Allen Merritt