

ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING
BIRCH CREEK WATER DISTRICT #32D

The Birch Creek Water District 32-D Water Users meeting was held March 9, 2021, 10:00 a.m. at the Clark County Annex Building, Dubois Idaho.

In Mac Wagoner's absence, Greg Shenton called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

Those attending were Andy Wagoner, Heath Wagoner, Lewis Newman, James Palmer, Greg Shenton (Watermaster), Brett Murdock (Deputy Watermaster), and Laurie Small (secretary).

Minutes were read individually. **Lewis Newman made a motion to accept the previous year's minutes. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN & SECRETARY

Mr. Shenton asked for nominations for chairman and secretary. **Lewis Newman nominated Andy Wagoner as chairman and Laurie Small as secretary. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

APPOINTMENT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Chairman, Andy Wagoner, waived appointing a credentials committee at this time. If one is needed, they can be appointed at that time.

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

Mr. Shenton presented the Watermaster's report for the year 2020. The 2020 diverted flows totaled 16,650 A.F., down 502 A.F. from 2019 flows. Snow course measurements were 84% of average at Meadow Lake with 41" of depth and 9.5" water content, 86% of average at Beagle Springs with 27" of depth and 5.4" water content, 81% of average at Haun with 26" of depth and 3.75" water content and 67% of average at Spring Mountain with 38" of depth 7.2" water content. Snow measurements were taken on March 1, 2021. Twenty-year water content averages are 4.61" at Haun and 10.74" at Spring Canyon. Thirty-year water content averages are 6.3" at Beagle Springs and 11.3" at Meadow Lake.

Measurements of stream bed losses taken by contract with U.S.G.S between the reaches of Blue Dome to the Birch Creek Power Hydro Pond were included in the report. Measurements taken on July 29, 2020 had a 10.1 C.F.S. loss between the Blue Dome weir to start of liner and 6.8 C.F.S. loss from liner to hydro pond. Measurements taken on September 2, 2020 showed a loss of 12.5 C.F.S. from Blue Dome to start of liner and 8.8 C.F.S. loss from start of liner to hydro pond. The weir on both ends of this reach gives a very accurate measurement of the total reach if the weirs are properly maintained along with annual silt removal. The advantage of a

weir is the fact that at any time you read it you get accurate immediate flows. The weir at Wagoner Ranches was fixed. Mr. Shenton requested that a new plank be placed at the Blue Dome weir so accurate measurements can be taken in the center of the creek.

Cloud seeding continues with both the remote and manual generators. There are 25 manual and 25 remote generators in the area. Cloud seeding was down 60% due to the weather systems and patterns.

There was discussion about having an additional measurement taken by U.S.G.S. and possibly changing the dates that the measurements were taken. These measurements provide good information and is a good resource for comparisons with daily runs. It was unanimous that the two measurements and dates remain the same.

Mr. Shenton reviewed the 2020 budget and proposed 2021 budget.

PROPOSED AND ADOPTED BUDGET FOR 2020

| | Proposed | Adopted |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Watermaster Salary, Mileage & Other | \$5,300.00 | \$5,300.00 |
| Secretary Salary | \$300.00 | \$300.00 |
| Snow Survey | \$600.00 | \$600.00 |
| USGS Measurements | \$800.00 | \$800.00 |
| Total Budget | \$7,000.00 | \$7,000.00 |

The Watermaster reported \$230.00 remains in the district's checking account.

Lewis Newman made a motion to accept the Watermaster's Report and approve proposed budget. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

NOMINATION FOR WATERMASTER

Lewis Newman made the motion to have Greg Shenton continue as Watermaster and Brett Murdock as Deputy Watermaster. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion Passed

Lewis Newman made a motion that the Water District adopts the following resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS

COLLECTION OF WATER ASSESSMENT

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 15, and shall become delinquent May 15,

and if not paid by May 15, the payment shall bear interest from April 15, 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 deliveries before April 1, or after November 1, (the normal irrigation season) unless an emergency exists. The Watermaster shall not be paid before April 15, or after November 1, from the Water District Budgeted regular funds.

HEADGATES & WEIRS

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

USGS MEASUREMENTS

Two USGS measurements will be done each year.

WATER DELIVERY

Allow Brandie Terry and Mrs. Sorenson to receive water for their lawns, with no daily records required, no cost to them until any future changes are made.

James Palmer seconded the motion. All resolutions passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY BOARD

Chairman, Andy Wagoner, appointed the following to serve on the advisory board this year. Lewis Newman, Lane Newman, Heath Wagoner and James Palmer (representing Ted Sorenson).

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion on what type of a plank was needed at the Blue Dome weir. The supports for the plank are still in place. James Palmer suggested using metal and will check on the cost.

Lewis Newman suggested recognizing Mac Wagoner for his years of service as the district's chairman. Money in the checking account could be used to pay for a gift.

Lewis Newman moved that the secretary and Watermasters have a plaque made recognizing years of service and purchase a \$75.00 gift certificate to Texas Roadhouse for Mac Wagoner. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

IDWR REPORT

No one from IDWR attended the meeting and there was not a report.

MEETING TIME

Andy Wagoner asked for suggested dates for the next meeting. **Lewis Newman moved that the next year's annual water meeting be held Tuesday March 8, 2022, 10:00 a.m. at the Clark County Annex Building. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

Lewis Newman moved to adjourn. James Palmer seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.



Andy Wagoner, Chairman



Laurie Small, Secretary

ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE

20 21 ANNUAL MEETING

WATER DISTRICT NO. 32 D

WATER DISTRICT AREA Birch Creek

ANNUAL MEETING

Date 3/9/21 Time 10:00 am/pm

Location Annex Building

Address 332 W. Main St.
Dubois, ID.

| NAME | ADDRESS | REPRESENTING |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Andy Wagoner | | Wagoner Ranches |
| Heath Wagoner | | Wagoner Ranches |
| Greg Shenton | P.O. Box Dubois ID. 83423 | Watermaster |
| Brett Murdock | P.O. Box Dubois ID. 83423 | Deputy Water Master |
| Lewis Newman | 2996 N 800E Montevideo ID 83435 | Newman Farms |
| James Palmer | 5203 S. 11th E Idaho Falls ID. 83404 | Renopitch Co. |
| Laurie Small | P.O. Box 65 Dubois ID. 83423 | Ted Sorenson Secretary |

WATER DISTRICT 32-D SIGN IN SHEET

March 9, 2021

Andy Wagoner

HEATH WAGONER

Greg Shenton

Water Master

Lewis Newman

Joseph A.

Burt Murch

Laurie Small

Secretary