

February 3, 2020

Annual meeting of **Water District 67** was called to order by Chairman Vernon Lolley at 1:05 pm, in the Exhibit Hall at the Fairgrounds in Cambridge, Idaho.

Minutes read by Watermaster Brandi Horton-Bonner, since Secretary/Treasurer Terry Horton was unable to be present. The minutes were approved as read.

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Election of Officers

Chairman

Current Chairman is Vernon Lolley. Paul Striker nominated Vernon Lolley. Randy Noah moved to cease all nominations and cast a unanimous ballot, John Sachtjen 2nd. Vernon called for a vote, motion passed.

Vice Chairman

Current Vice Chairman is John Sachtjen. John Sutton nominated John Sachtjen. Paul Striker moved to cease all nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Vernon called for a vote, motion passed.

Secretary/Treasurer

Current Secretary/Treasurer is Terry Horton. Dick Thompson nominated Terry Horton. Paul Striker moved to cease all nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Vernon called for a vote, motion passed.

Election of Watermaster and Watermaster Assistants

Current Watermaster is Brandi Horton-Bonner. Dick Thompson nominated Brandi Horton-Bonner, Paul Striker 2nd. Vernon called for a vote. Brandi Horton-Bonner re-elected.

Current Watermaster assistants:

Deanna Terrell
Kris Braden
Richard Trost
James Harberd

It was mentioned that Richard Trost left employment with the district last fall and Brandi is looking for a replacement; has not yet found one. She stated that it would likely be necessary to place advertisements in the local newspapers to try to fill the position. Calvin Hickey moved to accept the current assistants with a blank left for Richard Trost's position to be filled later when the watermaster finds a replacement. Paul Striker 2nd, motion passed.

Election of Advisory and Credentials Committees

Current committeemen – see attached list

Paul Striker moved to keep the present Advisory Committee, John Sutton 2nd, motion passed. John Sutton moved to keep the current Credentials Committee, Dick Thompson 2nd, motion passed.

Budget

Brandi Horton-Bonner presented the proposed 2020 budget. John Sachtjen pointed out a correction to be made to a typo. The proposed budget should state "Ending Balance for 2019" instead of "Ending Balance for 2018". John Sachtjen moved to accept the proposed budget with the correction, Dick Thompson 2nd, motion passed.

Old Business

John Sachtjen asked if the district was moving forward with attempting to develop more instream measurement devices in our district. Brandi Horton-Bonner stated she was not aware that anything had been done since the initial attempts to set up additional measuring devices with USGS. She said she would be speaking to IDWR later to discuss renewing those efforts as well as completion of the measurement order the Department initiated a few years ago.

New Business

Randy Noah asked about the water outlook for 2020. Vernon Lolley reported that the district's Snotel information estimates that we are currently at nearly 100% of average, with the moisture level in the current snowpack at 34%. He said he retired from checking the sites himself after 28 years, and his knowledge of this year's snow pack was gained from speaking with those continuing the work.

Paul Arrington of Idaho Water User's Association introduced himself, as well as Lauren Markuson, who is a new legislative intern with IWUA. Mr. Arrington explained current proposed legislation that IWUA and IDWR have been working on together to clarify and simplify Idaho Code Title 42. This includes allowing for the diversion of water from streams for hazardous material cleanup without waiting to apply for a temporary permit to divert the water, as well as allowing district's to advertise their annual meeting date and location in their office, rather than the IDWR issuing mass mailings to water users. Brandi Horton-Bonner pointed out that District 67's office is a desk in the corner of her bedroom, so a posting in the "office" isn't feasible for us. She asked if the district could advertise the meeting information in local newspapers. Mr. Arrington said yes, the new legislation would not require advertising in an office, it allowed the districts to notify water users in the way that works best for them. Mr. Arrington went on to speak and answer questions about the status of the salmon and steelhead issues. He stated that further information about the topics he discussed can be found at the Idaho Water User's Association website at iwua.org.

Justin Sheaser of Idaho Department of Water Resources introduced himself and Kate Huelse as new employees of IDWR, having travelled with Aaron Skinner of IDWR to answer any questions we may have for them. No questions were asked.

Dick Thompson moved to ask Adams and Washington counties if they will continue to collect and disperse the monies through the taxing system, Calvin Hickey 2nd, motion passed.

Calvin Hickey moved to set the date for the 2021 annual meeting for February 1, 2021 in the Exhibit Hall at the Fairgrounds in Cambridge, Idaho. Jeri Beamis asked if it would be possible to have a P.A. system set up at the next meeting to make it easier for those seated in the back to hear the proceedings. Brandi Horton-Bonner said she would notify the secretary of the request. Jeri Beamis 2nd, motion passed.

The next meeting date will be February 1, 2021 in the Cambridge Exhibit Hall at the Fairgrounds in Cambridge, Idaho. ✓ time?

Paul Striker moved to adjourn the meeting, Calvin Hickey 2nd, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Those present were as follows:

Harmon Horton, Brandi Horton-Bonner, Stuart Syme, Carl McElhinny, Vernon Lolley, John Sachtjen, Dick Thompson, Herb Endicott, Jack Holmes, Jim Harberd, Karen Hood, Keith Hood, Gayle Poorman, Paul Poorman, Jerry Yantis, David Robidoux, Crystel Baladez, Calvin Hickey, Curtis Hickey, Roy Braun, Aaron Switalski, Levi Thomas, Nick Wade, Frank Schwartz, John Sutton, Dan Sutton, Gary Gallant, Greg Smith, Vikki Smith, Kenneth Ward, Glenn Fredrickson, Justin Sheaser – IDWR, Kate Hulse – IDWR, Paul Striker, Aaron Skinner – IDWR, Kevin Kirby, Lauren Markuson – IWUA, Paul Arrington – IWUA, Paula Balderson, Jeri Beamis, Randy Noah.

In the absence of secretary Terry Horton,
minutes by Brandi Horton-Bonner

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Brandi Horton-Bonner", written in a cursive style.

<u>Water District 67</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Advisory Committee</u>	
Harmon Horton	Midvale
Vernon Lolley	Weiser
John Sachtjen	Cambridge
Alvin Yantis	Council
Randy Noah	Cambridge
Curtis Hickey	Sunnyside
Paul Striker	Mann Creek
Tyler Amano	Canal Institute
Casey Chandler	Monroe Creek
<u>Credentials Committee</u>	
Harmon Horton	Midvale
Vernon Lolley	Weiser
John Sachtjen	Cambridge
Casey Chandler	Monroe Creek
Paul Striker	Mann Creek
Jerry Yantis	Council