Water District No. 2 Advisory Board Meeting Minutes December 8, 2020

Water District No. 2 advisory board meeting was held as a zoom virtual meeting in accordance to COVID-19 guidelines provided by IDWR's Attorney General regarding Idaho Open Meeting Law. Members present on zoom were Mark Frost, Billy Wolfe, Justin Wootan, Lynn "Rusty" Johnson, John Hafen, Jeff Blanksma, Kresta Davis-Butts, and Vic Conrad. Also present was Sec./Treas. Chris Alzola.

Chairman, Mark Frost called meeting to order at 1:06 pm.

Justin made motion to select Chris Alzola as secretary for meeting. Motion was seconded by "Rusty". Motion passed

Kellie Smith conducted roll call everyone was present except Nate Jones.

Nate Jones joined meeting at 1:15 pm.

Last advisory meeting minutes dated January 14, 2020 were reviewed, Billy Wolfe made motion to accept minutes as written. Seconded by Rusty. Motion passed

Financial reports were reviewed, Billy made motion to approve financial reports as presented, seconded by Rusty. Motion passed

Proposed Resolution:

Rob explained that the information that is highlighted in red are for updating year change, budget amounts or changes to Chapter 6 of Idaho Code that need to be reflected in our Resolution. Rob explained that he added a sentence to #6 regarding domestic rights. In the past domestic rights haven't been assessed. We did assess the domestics last year and found that out of the 11 rights only two paid. The other nine came back from the post office not deliverable or they do not own the water rights. Rob said Jes went out to find some of them and found the water right were not being used. Rob is asking the board to endorse the last sentence of #6 at the annual meeting to reflect not assessing domestic rights with total diversion of less than or equal to 0.06 cfs. They will still be in the Water District No. 2 just not assessed. Billy made motion that the board endorse Proposed Resolution as presented, seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.

Proposed Budget:

Rob explained the Proposed Budget will be reduced by around \$7,700, due to changing from Syringa to Verizon a data plans and less O&M cost for telemetry. Billy made motion for the board to endorse the Proposed Budget as presented, seconded by Vic. Motion passed.

Discussion regarding annual meeting to be held January 12, 2021 and the protocol that needs to be followed for COVID-19. Rob said they could use IDWR state office for the meeting location allowing 10 people to enter if any more they would have to do by zoom or phone in. Justin asked if Glenns Ferry City Hall could also be used in case someone from the area wanted to attend in person. Justin and John will coordinate with Glenns Ferry City Hall for allowing ten people to enter and will also set up zoom for attendees. Justin made motion for IDWR to host the virtual aspect of the meeting and Glenns Ferry City Hall to be the designated location limited to ten attendees, seconded by Rusty. Motion passed.

Preliminary Measurement Data:

Kellie talked about the 124 minimum assessments and that removing domestic rights brings the minimum assessments down to 113. Kellie said even though the total volume for the year increased by 3.5%, with the budget reduced to \$94,600, water users should still see a reduction in assessments compared to last year. Rob said that as soon as he and Kellie get the volume totals verified and the anticipated assessments finalized it will be posted on IDWR website and he will email to all advisory board members. The 3.5% increase in water use equals 17,875.61 acre feet. John asked what caused increase? Kellie felt that a dryer fall attributed to using more water. Rob said they will use four year average for assessments. Billy asked when the assessment will be available. Rob said it has to be posted on website 21 days in advance of annual meeting. Rob said as soon as they get it done they will email to advisory board. Mark asked if we are paying assessments in the arrears, like your taxes. Kellie said that the 2021 assessments are calculated based on the volume of water used in prior years including 2020, noting the actual dollar amount is based on the average. Discussion about previous 4 years usage information.

Motion to adjourn made by Billy, seconded by Jeff. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Chris Alzola, See./Treas.