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Department of Water Resources
Eastern Region

WATER DISTRICT #11 BEAR RIVER

Minutes of Annual Meeting

February 5, 2013

Attending

Bill Robison

Tim Luke

Connely Baldwin

Larry Pitcher

Steve Meek

Clyde Gilbert

Joseph G. Larsen

Paul Nelson

David Miles

Evan Skinner

Pete Petersen

Craig Willse

DeLyle Barrington

Greg Griffeth

Dennis L Bird

Lee C Ream

Josh Hanks

Austin Moses

Representing

Black Otter Irrigation

Dingle Irrigation & Advisory Board

IDWR

Pacificorp Energy & Advisory Board

West Cache Irrigation

Riverdale- Preston Irr. & Riverdale Irrigation

Smith Bosen Irrigation

West Cache & Advisory Board

Preston Montpelier Irr. Co.

Last Chance Canal Co. & Advisory Board

Dingle Irrigation

Preston Riverdale Upper

Gentile Valley

Nelson Ditch Co.

Lorenzo Griffeth

Peg Leg Canal

Ream Crockett

Water Master

Treasurer

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Connely Baldwin opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. and asked for introductions, then nominations for meeting chairman. Bill Robison moved to appoint Connely Baldwin as meeting chairman. Lee Ream seconded. All approved. Evan Skinner moved to appoint Austin Moses as meeting secretary. Joe Larsen seconded. All approved.

Austin Moses read a summary of the minutes of the February 7, 2012 annual meeting. Lee Ream moved to approve, Bill Robison seconded. All approved.

Advisory Board Election. Connely Baldwin introduced David Miles representing the Last Chance Canal Co sitting in for Mark Mathews who had been elected a county commissioner and needed to resign from the Advisory Board. Before any motions for nominations to the Advisory Board, Bill Robison said that he had no problem passing this responsibility around if anyone is interested in the job. Bill Robison was nominated by Evan Skinner; David Miles and Joe Larsen were nominated by Pete Petersen. All approved.

Water Master Election. Connely Baldwin presented a resolution to provide that the water master be elected for an annual term of service. Steve Meek moved to approve the

resolution. Lee Ream seconded. All approved. Connely introduced Josh Hanks and related the process of advertising, interviewing and extending an offer to him as water master subject to a vote of the membership and appointment by the IDWR. Bill Robison moved to approve the hiring of Josh Hanks as water master. Evan Skinner seconded. All approved. Connely stated that with the hiring of Josh, an unusual situation arises because of his concurrent employment with Intermountain Environmental Inc., the Company which provided the electronics for much of the water measuring systems. Connely read a proposed conflict of interest resolution (copy attached) and a discussion ensued as to the priority of time spent for the two entities. It was agreed that Josh would give priority to the Water District during the irrigation season. Paul Nelson moved to adopt the resolution; Joe Larsen seconded, all approved.

Treasurer Election. Bill Robison moved to retain Austin Moses as treasurer. Lee Ream seconded. All approved.

Josh Hanks presented the annual Water Master Report. He summarized that some measuring devices were added and that one cell site needed to be moved in the Pegram area for better reception. Joe Larsen moved to accept the Water Master Report. David Miles seconded. All approve.

Tim Luke spoke on water rights issues being handled by IDWR. He complimented Rock Holbrook on the good job done the past few years. Tim talked of the reporting available on the web site, giving flows from the Wyoming border to the Utah State Line. The flows are not real-time but delayed some. The irrigation season ends September 30, although there are stock watering rights extended beyond that. He commented that he spent much of the morning orienting Josh on his new duties and thanked the Advisory Board for being pro-active on the telemetry sites.

Connely Baldwin reported on the Bear Lake storage forecast, stating that the level of the Lake on February 3, 2013 was at 5,915.89 feet. Because of this level, there would be no reduced allocation for 2013. He reported that there was very little run-off in 2012 and that the Lake had dropped nearly four feet during the season. Connely reported that the target elevation for flood control was changed to 5,920 feet. There was a discussion of the moisture forecast for the remaining snow year, with the consensus being that it was considerably under normal and would result in a big draw-down of the Lake.

Connely explained the flow of the Bear River from the Utah Uinta Mountains to the Great Salt Lake. He explained the development of Bear Lake as a reservoir and the history of, and flow into and out of the Lake.

Austin Moses presented the financial statements for the previous year. He also presented the proposed budget for the 2013 year. Lee Ream moved to approve the budget as presented and set assessments based upon it. Dennis Bird seconded. All approved. Austin also read a list of overdue assessments and requested help in contacting those not paying.

Connely presented a new employee expense policy and described the changes to be within the IRS travel policy. Paul Nelson moved to approve the changes. Bill Robison seconded. All approved.

Connely suggested a resolution to thank Rock Holbrook for his services and suggested a gift card of \$50 be presented as well. Steve Meeks moved to approve the suggestion. Lee Ream seconded. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:40 p.m.