

WATER DISTRICT #11 BEAR RIVER

Minutes of Annual Meeting

February 7, 2017

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Attending

Michael Holliday
Connely Baldwin
Joseph G. Larsen
Alan Smith
Randy Udy
Larry Pitcher
Josh Hanks
Austin Moses

Representing

IDWR
PacifiCorp Energy & Advisory Board
West Cache & Advisory Board
Cub River Irrigation
West Cache
West Cache
Water Master
Treasurer

Connely Baldwin opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. and asked for introductions, then nominations for meeting chairman. Alan Smith moved to have Connely Baldwin act as Chair. Joe Larsen seconded. Motion carried.

Austin Moses read a summary of the minutes of the February 2, 2016 annual meeting which were approved.

Advisory Board Election. Joe Larsen said he would like to resign from the board. Alan Smith volunteered to serve on the board. Joe Larsen moved to appoint Alan Smith to the Board together with other members as presently serving. Larry Pitcher seconded. Motion carried.

Water Master Election. Larry Pitcher moved to approve Josh Hanks as Watermaster. Joe Larsen seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Election. Joe Larsen moved to retain Austin Moses. Randy Udy seconded. Motion carried.

Josh Hanks presented the annual Water Master Report. The water year was adequate with very little difficulty obtaining enough water. Some equipment had to be repaired or moved for cell reception. Larry Pitcher moved to accept the watermaster report. Joe Larsen seconded. Motion carried.

Connely Baldwin presented a projection of the new water year saying that with the abnormally wet winter there should be no problem obtaining sufficient water in the River. Current snow fall is approximately 105% of normal accumulation with more coming weekly. Bear Lake elevation on January 10, 2017 was 5911.66 feet. The current water supply forecast indicates a full allocation of Bear Lake Irrigation storage water. Bear

River Black Canyon Recreational water releases occurred in 2016 and are planned in 2017.

Michael Holliday of IDWR indicated that there were no transfers recorded in 2016 from this area. A step-up of water right enforcement actions by IDWR is ongoing. There has been no word of action to adjudicate the Bear River drainage as yet; he felt that pressure to do so would need to come from irrigators.

Austin Moses presented the financial statements for the previous year. Alan Smith moved to approve. Joe Larsen seconded. Motion carried.

Austin presented the proposed budget for the 2017 year. He noted that the only change for 2017 was a 3% raise for the watermaster. The needed assessment would stay at \$79,000. Alan Smith moved to approve the budget and assessment. Joe Larsen seconded. Motion carried. Austin presented a list of overdue assessments and received some help in contacting the individuals.

Connely reported the possibility of flooding in the lower Gentile Valley area this spring.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:50 p.m. upon motion by Larry Pitcher.

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Caribou County Emergency Services Building
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Agenda

- Election of meeting Chairman and Meeting Secretary – Connely Baldwin (previous years meeting chairman)
- Review and Approval of Minutes of 2016 Annual Meeting
- Advisory Board Election – Meeting Chairman
- Watermaster Election – Meeting Chairman
- Treasurer Election – Meeting Chairman
- Watermaster's Report – Josh Hanks
- Water Use for 2016 and Bear Lake Storage Forecast – Connely Baldwin
- Department of Water Resources Activities – IDWR representative
- 2016 Financial Results – Austin Moses
- 2017 Budget and Assessment – Austin Moses
- Review of Un-paid Assessments – Austin Moses
- Other business