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MINUTES MEETING NO. 5-22

Hampton Inn
Conference Room
2701 Nez Perce Dr.
LEWISTON

May 19, 2022
Work Session

Agenda Item No. 1: Roll Call

Chairman Raybould called the work session meeting to order at 9:07 AM (PT) in Lewiston, Idaho. Board members present were Al Barker, Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, Brian Olmstead, Dean Stevenson, Dale Van Stone, and Chairman Raybould; online were Roger Chase and Pete Van Der Meulen.

IDWR staff members present were: Brian Patton, Cynthia Bridge Clark, Neeley Miller, Mathew Weaver, Daniel Sturgis, Neal Farmer, Shelley Keen, Michelle Richman, and Jennifer Strange; and online were John Loffredo, Mary Condon, Mike Morrison, Steve Stuebner, Meghan Carter, Craig Tesch, Josh Morell, and Adam Frederick.

Guests present were: Paul Kimmell, Lanie Paquin, Robin Nimmer, Michael Tuell, Bryan Horsburgh, Barney Metz, Cara Haley, Jerry Klemm, John Williams, Randy Broesch, Jean Johnson, Dan Johnson, Kresta Davis, Scott Pugrud, and John Simpson. Online: Kurt Newbry, H. Ridgeway, Seema Aziz-Hall, Cianna Wyshnytzy, Zach Hall, Captain Gillette, Kyle Radek, David Keil, Chris Keith, William Krafcheck, Celine Acord, Ashley Sadorra, Michael Fuss, Miranda Brannon, Robert Newbry, Marty Anderson, Adam Duckett, Ann Vonde, Dylan Lawrence, Elizabeth Bradley, Kathleen Cronin, Mitch Silvers, TJ Budge, Trace Giles, Kira Finkler, Matt Howard, Cory Baune, Dan Stanaway, Beau Gunter, Allison Lebeda, and T. Alleman.

Agenda Item No. 2: Anderson Ranch Dam Raise Update

Ms. Lanie Paquin discussed updates on the Anderson Ranch Dam Raise project.

Agenda Item No. 3: MHAFB Water Sustainability Project Update

Mr. Mike Morrison provided updates on the MHAFB project. He introduced Ms. Seema Aziz-Hall of the SAF/IEE.

Agenda Item No. 4a: Reynolds Creek Irrigation District Loan

Ms. Kala Golden provided details on a loan request for the Reynolds Irrigation District.

Agenda Item No. 4b: Delmore Canal Company Loan

Ms. Kala Golden provided details on a loan request for the Delmore Canal Company.

Agenda Item No. 4c: Blaine County Canal Company Loan

Ms. Kala Golden provided details on an increase on an existing loan for Blaine County Canal Company.

Agenda Item No. 5: Criteria for Aging Infrastructure & Water Sustainability Projects Update

Mr. Neeley Miller discussed the steps for compiling public comments on criteria for aging infrastructure and water sustainability projects. There was discussion about an upcoming special board meeting to present the findings.

Agenda Item No. 6: PBAC Update

Mr. Paul Kimmell and Ms. Robin Nimmer provided a report on the Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee's efforts to ensure a long-term, quality water supply for that basin.

Agenda Item No. 7: Update on Status of Northern Idaho Aquifers

Mr. Daniel Sturgis provided an update on groundwater conditions in the Northern Region.

Agenda Item No. 8: Dworshak Small Hydropower Project

Mr. Brian Patton provided history and information on the Dworshak Small Hydropower Project. He also discussed the Governor's Salmon Workgroup. Michael Tuell with the Nez Perce Tribe discussed fish hatcheries and a potential pipeline.

Agenda Item No. 9: Non-Action Items for Discussion

There were no other items for discussion from the board members. Director Spackman mentioned a letter from the BOR.

Agenda Item No. 10: Adjourn

Mr. Van Stone moved to adjourn. Mr. Barker seconded. Voice vote: all ayes. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at noon. The board members attended a field trip of the Dworshak Facilities.

May 20, 2022

Board Meeting No. 5-22

At 8:00 AM (PT) Chairman Raybould called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item No. 1: Roll Call

Board Members Present

Jeff Raybould, Chairman

Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, Secretary
Albert Barker
Dale Van Stone
Brian Olmstead
Dean Stevenson
Board Members Present Online
Roger Chase, Vice-Chairman
Pete Van Der Meulen

Staff Members Present

Mathew Weaver, Deputy Director
Neeley Miller
Jennifer Strange
Shelley Keen

Brian Patton, Executive Officer
Cynthia Bride Clark
Neal Farmer
Michelle Richman

Staff Members Present Online

Steve Stuebner
Mary Condon
Adam Frederickson
Evan Roda
Wesley Hipke

Kala Golden
John Loffredo
Kara Ferguson
Meghan Carter

Guests Present

John Williams
Doug Zenner
Kresta Davis
Scott Pugrud
Lynn Rasmussen
Bobby Hills

Dan Johnson
Jerry Klemm
John Simpson
Tom Points
Barney Metz

Guests Present Online

Bert Stevenson
Rory Pancheri
Ann Vonde
Clay Hickey
TJ Budge
Matthew Smith

Kurt Newbry
Mitch Silvers
Clive Strong
Allison Lebeda
Michael Fuss

Agenda Item No. 2: Agenda and Approval of Minutes 4-22

Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to adopt the minutes for board meeting 4-22. Mr. Barker seconded. Voice vote.
All ayes. The motion carried.

Agenda Item No. 3: Public Comment

Chairman Raybould asked if there were any public comments.

Dan Johnson, Mayor of Lewiston, shared concerns about declining aquifer levels in the region and requested support for the Clearwater exchange project.

Nez Perce County Commissioner Doug Zenner appreciated support for a jointly funded project and shared a video of a completed project. He also expressed support the Lower Clearwater Exchange Project.

Barney Metz, general manager of Lewiston Orchards Irrigation District, had comments about the state of the water supply.

Bobby Hills with the Nez Perce Tribe provided support on the Lewiston Orchards project.

Agenda Item No. 4: Lemhi Settlement Update

Mr. Clive Strong gave an update on the comprehensive settlement implementation for the Lemhi Basin.

Agenda Item No. 5: Financial Report

Mr. Neeley Miller provided the Board's financial report. The accounts as of March 31, 2022 were: Secondary Aquifer Fund: committed/earmarked but not disbursed \$19,707,998 and uncommitted balance

\$8,648,417; Revolving Development Account: committed/earmarked but not disbursed \$19,631,515, loan principal outstanding \$16,846,998, uncommitted balance \$16,630,679, and anticipated loanable funds available next one year \$20,130,679; and Water Management Account: committed/earmarked but not disbursed \$71,071,018, and uncommitted balance \$170,673. Total committed/earmarked but not disbursed \$110,410,531; total loan principal outstanding \$16,846,998; and total uncommitted balance \$25,449,769.

Agenda Item No. 6: Secondary Aquifer Planning, Management, and Implementation Fund Budget FY2023

Mr. Neeley Miller stated that the Finance Committee met on May 12th and recommended adoption of the proposed budget for the Secondary Aquifer Planning, Management, and Implementation Fund Budget FY2023. He listed the funding amounts in the budget.

Mr. Van Stone moved to adopt a resolution. Mr. Stevenson seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, aye; Mr. Chase, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Olmstead, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, absent from vote; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 7 ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 7a: Reynolds Creek Irrigation District Loan

Ms. Kala Golden discussed a resolution to authorize funding a loan not to exceed \$225, 000 from the Revolving Development Account at 2.8% interest with a 5-year repayment term.

Mr. Barker moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Van Stone seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, aye; Mr. Chasc, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Olmstead, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, absent from vote; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 7 ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 7b: Delmore Canal Company Loan

Ms. Kala Golden discussed a resolution to authorize funding a loan not to exceed \$1,500,000 from the Revolving Development Account at 3.5% interest with a 30-year repayment term.

Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Barker seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, aye; Mr. Chase, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Olmstead, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 8 ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 7c: Blaine County Canal Company Loan

Ms. Kala Golden discussed a resolution to authorize increased funding for a loan of \$250,000 to an amount not to exceed \$1,150,000 from the Revolving Development Account at 2.6% interest with a 15-year repayment term.

Mr. Barker moved to adopt the resolution with the mentioned edits. Ms. Cole-Hansen seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, aye; Mr. Chase, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Olmstead, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 8 ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 8: Cloud Seeding Program Authorizations

Ms. Kala Golden provided a resolution in the matter of cloud seeding in the State of Idaho to adopt criteria for the authorization of cloud seeding programs. There was some discussion. Ms. Kresta Davis of the Idaho Power Company asked about the insurance requirements.

Mr. Olmstead moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Van Stone seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, aye; Mr. Chase, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Olmstead, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 8 ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 9: Upper Snake Rental Pool

Mr. Patton introduced a resolution to adopt amended Upper Snake River Rental Pool procedures. Deputy Director Mat Weaver shared that Director Spackman supported the amended procedures. Chairman Raybould discussed the changes that were made.

Mr. Stevenson moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Van Stone seconded. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

After a break, the board resumed and added another set of public comments. Ms. Lynn Rasmussen shared appreciation for board assistance on a local project.

Agenda Item No. 10: Adjudications Update

Mr. Shelley Keen provided an update on the adjudication programs across the state. He spoke about Northern Idaho Adjudications (three phases), Bear River Basin Adjudication, and Snake River Basin Adjudication

Agenda Item No. 11: Regional Manager's Update

Mr. Shelley Keen introduced the Northern Region manager. Ms. Michelle Richman discussed current projects and challenges for the Northern Region.

Agenda Item No. 12: Director's Report

Deputy Director Mathew Weaver gave the director's report. He provided updates on the following topics: update on Northern region, Basin 37 moratorium order, Swan Falls implementation group, SWC/IGWA settlement agreement, and combined Snake and Portneuf Rivers priority administration.

Agenda Item No. 13: Non-Action Items for Discussion

Ms. Cole-Hansen stated that the June 2nd Finance Committee meeting would be cancelled. A special board meeting will be held instead on June 7th.

Agenda Item No. 14: Next Meeting and Adjourn

Mr. Patton stated the next scheduled meetings would be July 21-22, 2022 in Mountain Home and via an online platform. Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to adjourn. Mr. Van Stone seconded. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM (PT).

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of July 2022.



Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, *Secretary*



Jennifer Strange, *Administrative Assistant II*

Board Actions:

1. Meeting minutes 4-22 were adopted.
2. Adopted a resolution in the matter statewide water sustainability and aquifer stabilization, and the secondary aquifer stabilization, and secondary aquifer planning, management, and implementation fund fiscal year 2023 budget.
3. Adopted a resolution in the matter of the Reynold's Irrigation District loan request.
4. Adopted a resolution in the matter of the Delmore Canal Company loan request.
5. Adopted a resolution in the matter of the Blaine County Canal loan request.
6. Adopted a resolution in the matter of cloud seeding in the State of Idaho.
7. Adopted a resolution in the matter of approval of amended rental pool procedures for the Upper Snake River rental pool.