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MINUTES MEETING NO. 6-22

Sun Valley Resort
Limelight Ballroom
1 Sun Valley Road
Sun Valley
and
Water Center
Conference Rooms 602 B / Zoom Online
322 E. Front St
BOISE

June 7, 2022

Agenda Item No. 1: Roll Call

Chairman Raybould called the special board meeting to order at 1:30 PM (MT) in Sun Valley, Idaho and online in Boise. Board members present were Al Barker, Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, Brian Olmstead, Dean Stevenson, and Chairman Raybould; online were Roger Chase, Dale Van Stone, and Pete Van Der Meulen (joined during Director's Comments).

<u>IDWR staff members present were</u>: Brian Patton, Gary Spackman, Cynthia Bridge Clark, and Neeley Miller; and online was Jennifer Strange, Steve Stuebner, Kala Golden, and Wesley Hipke.

<u>Guests present were:</u> Tom Points, Shawna Adams, Travis Thompson, Paul Arrington, and John Simpson. Online were: Dave Tuthill, Bryan Horsburgh, Matthew Smith, Braden Jensen, Scott King, Douglas Jones, Kira Finkler, Dylan Lawrence, and Roland Springer.

Chairman Raybould asked to amend the agenda to add Public Comment after Roll Call and to add Director's Report after Criteria for Regional Water Sustainability Projects. Mr. Barker made the motion to amend the agenda as requested. Mr. Stevenson seconded. Voice vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Agenda Item No. 2: Public Comment

Chairman Raybould asked if there were any public comments. Mr. Tom Points from the City of Nampa addressed the board with comments about funding.

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Agenda Item No. 3: Criteria for Aging Infrastructure Projects

In May the Finance Committee had requested a 30-day comment period related to criteria for aging infrastructure projects. Mr. Neeley Miller discussed each section of a red-line draft and highlighted where the public input was added. There was some discussion about federal funding additions and about a requirement for permits. Mr. Miller provided clarification. Mr. Olmstead suggested an addition to the draft related to excluding reservoir districts. Mr. Barker suggested that all entities who apply be notified, even if they do not get funding.

Mr. Barker moved to adopt the resolution accepting the criteria outlined for aging infrastructure projects with the edits and comments suggested. 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, absent from the vote; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 7 ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 4: Criteria for Regional Water Sustainability Projects

Mr. Patton explained that the topic of criteria for regional water sustainability projects should be postponed for a later meeting.

Agenda Item No. 5: Director's Report

Director Spackman had two updates for the board. He discussed a license that was issued for permit through Bureau of Reclamation for Palisades Reservoir. He suggested that staff and the Committee of Nine may need to find some acceptable language for watermasters. He also described a lawsuit brought on IDWR and Director Spackman by the federal government on the stockwater rights issue.

Agenda Item No. 6: Non-Action Items for Discussion

There were no other items for discussion from the board members. Appreciation was expressed to Paul Arrington and the Idaho Water Users Association for the use of their conference room for the board meeting.

Agenda Item No. 7: Adjourn

Mr. Stevenson moved to adjourn. Mr. Chase seconded. <u>Voice vote</u>: all ayes. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of July 2022.

Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, Secretary

Jennifer Strange, Administrative Assistant II

Board Actions:

- 1. Amended agenda to add public comment and director's report.
- 2. Adopted a resolution to accept criteria for aging infrastructure projects.