

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

MINUTES MEETING NO. 9-15

C.L. "Butch" Otter
Governor

December 16, 2015 IWRB Meeting

Roger W. Chase Chairman Pocatello District 4 Idaho Water Center Conference Room 648A 322 East Front Street, 6th Floor, Boise, Idaho 83720

Jeff Raybould, Vice-Chairman

Pete Van Der Meulen

Albert Barker

Chuck Cuddy

Jeff Raybould Vice-Chairman St. Anthony At Large At 2:30 p.m. Chairman Chase called the meeting to order.

Vince Alberdi

Secretary Kimberly At Large

Peter Van Der Meulen

Hailey At Large

Charles "Chuck" Cuddy

Orofino At Large

Albert Barker

Boise District 2

John "Bert" Stevenson

Rupert District 3

Dale Van Stone

Hope District 1 Agenda Item No. 1: Roll Call

Board Members Present via Conference Call

Roger Chase, Chairman Vince Alberdi, Secretary Bert Stevenson

Dale Van Stone

Staff Members Present

Brian Patton, Bureau Chief

John Homan, Deputy Attorney General

Neeley Miller, Senior Planner

Debbie Gibson, Administrative Assistant

Guests Present

Jon Bowling, Idaho Power Mark Solomon, IWRRI Teresa Molitor, GFCC

Randy Budge, *via conference call*, IGWA Lynn Tominaga, *via conference call*, IGWA

Noted for the Record:

Mr. Stevenson declared that he holds water rights in the ground water districts and the surface water districts included in this resolution and that he does not receive any specific benefit.

Mr. Raybould declared that he is a member of Fremont-Madison Irrigation Company, and that Fremont Madison will pay its share of the projects up front and will not be part of the loan authorized by this resolution.

Agenda Item No. 2: Ground Water Districts' Loan and Aqualife

Mr. Patton gave an overview of the Aqualife resolution from the November 17th meeting. Then he presented a resolution that authorized the sale of the Aqualife Hatchery to the 10 Ground Water Districts on the Eastern Snake Plain with water rights subordinated so a future owner could not make a delivery call against the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer. It would also increase the amount of the \$4 million interim loan to the 10 Ground Water Districts approved on September 18, 2015 by \$2.9M to include the cost of the Aqualife Hatchery Purchase in the loan.

There was discussion among the Board members. Mr. Budge provided an expansion on the discussion of the mitigation plans and appraisal.

Mr. Raybould moved to approve the resolution as printed with \$2.9 million dollars, raise the loan from \$4 million for a total \$6.9 million of loan. Seconded by Mr. Van Der Meulen.

Mr. Barker asked for the full motion to be repeated. There was more discussion on the value of the appraisal.

Chairman Chase requested that Mr. Raybould amend his motion that the Resolution passes pending review by the legal department.

Chairman Chase called for a vote. <u>Roll call vote</u>: Alberdi: Nay; Barker: Nay; Cuddy: Aye; Raybould: Aye; Stevenson: Aye; Van Der Meulen: Aye; Van Stone: Aye; Chairman Chase: Aye. 6 Ayes, 2 Nays. Motion passed. The resolution was adopted.

Agenda Item No. 3: Other Non-Action Items for Discussion

There were no other items for discussion.

Agenda Item No. 4: Adjourn

The IWRB Meeting number 9-15 adjourned at approximately 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted this 22^{-4} day of January, 2016.

Vince Alberdi, Secretary

Jennifer Strange, Administrative Assistant

Board Actions:

1. Mr. Raybould moved to adopt the resolution to authorize the sale of the Aqualife Hatchery to the 10 Ground Water Districts on the Eastern Snake Plain and to increase the amount of the \$4M interim loan. Mr. Van Der Meulen seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes, 2 Nays. Motion passed.