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MINUTES MEETING NO. 3-20

Idaho Water Center
Conference Rooms 602 C, D
322 East Front Street, 6th Floor
BOISE

April 3, 2020

At 1:33 p.m. Chairman Chase called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item No. 1: Roll Call

Board Members Present Via Teleconference/Go-To Meeting

Roger Chase, Chairman
Jeff Raybould, Vice-Chairman
Vince Alberdi, Secretary
Pete Van Der Meulen
Bert Stevenson
Dale Van Stone
Jo Ann Cole-Hansen
Al Barker

Staff Members Present

Brian Patton, Executive Officer Gary Spackman, Director
Remington Buyer, Water Supply Bank Program Coordinator
Jennifer Strange, Admin. Assistant

Via teleconference:

Cynthia Bridge Clark	Amy Cassel
Neeley Miller	Wesley Hipke
Emily Skoro	Kala Golden
Steve Stuebner	Rick Collingwood

Guests Present Via Teleconference/Go-To Meeting

Ann Vonde	Sarah Lien
Kenny Everhardt	John Simpson
Lynn Tominaga	Brian Olmstead
Jay Barlogi	Eric Wilson
Kresta Davis-Butts	Peter Anderson
Ryan Newman	Bill Galling
Dennis Hill	Ashley Newbry
Matt Howard	Jeremy Dalling
John & Susan Williams	Peter Cooper

Agenda Item No. 2: Agenda & Approval of Minutes

Chairman Chase amended the agenda to move Agenda Item No. 8 to before the approval of minutes so that Director Spackman may address the Board on a non-action item.

Director Spackman shared a memo directive from Governor Little requesting agencies to mitigate the impending economic issues likely to arise from the Covid-19 pandemic. The Governor requested hiring freezes, 5% reduction in the FY2021 budget, and some other measures. There was some discussion.

The Board returned to the topic of Agenda Item No. 2.

Mr. Stevenson moved to approve meeting minutes 2-20, 1-20, 6-19, 4-19, 3-19, 12-17, 10-17, and 8-17. Ms. Cole-Hansen seconded. Voice vote: all ayes. Minutes were adopted.

Agenda Item No. 3: Loan Interest Rate

Mr. Collingwood stated the current loan program interest rate of 4.5% had been in effect since May 19, 2017. The Finance Committee met on January 24, 2020 and agreed to address a possible adjustment of the rate. The adjustment was recommend to be 1-1.5%

There was some discussion about the rate. Mr. Alberdi suggested the rate to be reduced to 3-3.5%. Mr. Raybould suggested that 3.5% would be preferred. There was some discussion.

Mr. Alberdi moved to adopt a resolution to change the Board's loan program interest rate from 4.5% to 3.5%. Mr. Raybould seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, aye. 8 ayes. The motion passed. The resolution was adopted.

Agenda Item No. 4: River Land Terrace Loan

Mr. Collingwood gave a brief update on the Riverland Terrace Loan request. Mr. Wilson, the President of Riverland Terrace, addressed the Board. There was discussion about adding conditions to the resolution.

Mr. Alberdi moved to adopt a resolution to approve a loan to Riverland Terrace Nonprofit Water Corporation in the amount of \$190,000 at 3.5% interest with the additional conditions discussed by the IWRB. Mr. Stevenson seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, aye. 8 ayes. The motion passed. The resolution was adopted.

Agenda Item No. 5: Upper Salmon and Teton Transactions

Ms. Cassel presented the Board with information related to a funding request for another one-year transaction agreement on Morgan Creek through the Columbia Basin Water Transactions Program in an amount not to exceed \$13, 404.00.

Mr. Van Der Meulen moved to adopt a resolution to fund the Morgan Creek water transaction. Mr. Raybould seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, aye. 8 ayes. The motion passed. The resolution was adopted.

Ms. Sarah Lien with Friends of the Teton River addressed the Board about a proposed two-year source switch agreement to improve flow and temperature conditions for Yellowstone cutthroat trout on Canyon Creek, and a request for funding from the Columbia Basin Water Transaction Program for an amount not

to exceed \$77,200.00. Mr. Raybould stated that the Canyon Creek Canal Company, the entity involved in the transaction, has the option to terminate the agreement if the program did not work for the company after the first year.

Mr. Raybould moved to adopt a resolution to provide funding for a water transaction program on Canyon Creek. Mr. Van Der Meulen seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, aye. 8 ayes. The motion passed. The resolution was adopted.

Agenda Item No. 6: Water District 01 Rental Pool Procedures

Mr. Patton introduced the Water District 01 Rental Pool Procedures agenda item. Chairman Chase requested that Mr. Buyer provide background information. There were some who wished to address the Board. Committee of Nine representative, Mr. John Simpson spoke on the rule changes. Mr. Dennis Hill spoke about a letter sent to the Board related to water users of water district 29D. Mr. Raybould proposed to accept a resolution that had been provided to the Board dated March 20th. Mr. Simpson had more comments in support of the motion on the table. Mr. Ryan Newman and Mr. Peter Cooper of BOR had comments for the Board about concerns on specific rules, especially rental pool rule 7.5. Mr. Lynn Tominaga had comments about adoption of the procedures. Mr. Simpson provided additional comments on the concerns presented by the Bureau of Reclamation.

Mr. Raybould moved to adopt the resolution dated March 20th. Seconded by Mr. Van Der Meulen. Roll call vote: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, nay. 7 ayes, 1 nay. The motion passed. The resolution was adopted.

Agenda Item No. 7: Flood Management Grant Program

Mr. Miller provided the criteria for the Flood Management Grant Program. A resolution to consider adopting the criteria was presented.

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

Agenda Item No. 8: Non-Action Items for Discussion

Ms. Bridge Clark discussed a brief update on the Anderson Ranch Dam raise project. Board members suggested that it is important to continue moving forward on the project to meet WIIN Act deadlines.

Ms. Cole-Hansen asked if the Department had any information related to the recent earthquake and dam safety in Idaho. Director Spackman spoke on dam safety in light of that Challis earthquake. He reported that there did not seem to be any damage to the dams.

Agenda Item No. 9: Next Meeting & Adjourn

Mr. Patton suggested that a Finance Committee meeting would be scheduled within a few weeks. Chairman Chase moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 28th day of May, 2020.



Vince Alberdi, *Secretary*



Jennifer Strange, *Administrative Assistant II*

Board Actions:

- Approved meeting minutes nos. 2-20, 1-20, 6-19, 4-19, 3-19, 12-17, 10-17, and 8-17.
- Adopted a resolution to adjust the IWRB loan program interest rate to 3.5%.
- Adopted a resolution to provide a loan to Riverland Terrace at 3.5% interest.
- Adopted a resolution to provide funding for Morgan Creek water transaction.
- Adopted a resolution to provide funding for Canyon Creek water transaction.
- Adopted a resolution to approve WD 01 Rental Pool Procedures.
- Adopted a resolution to accept Flood Management Grants criteria.