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# IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

# MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING NO. 10-20

Idaho Water Center Conference Room 602 C / GoTo Meeting Online 322 East Front Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor BOISE

October 13, 2020

At 9:02 a.m. Chairman Chase called the meeting to order. The meeting was conducted at the address listed above via an online meeting platform.

# Agenda Item No. 1: Roll Call

Board Members Present via GoTo Meeting Online Roger Chase, Chairman Jeff Raybould, Vice-Chairman Vince Alberdi, Secretary Pete Van Der Meulen –joined during executive session Bert Stevenson Dale Van Stone Jo Ann Cole-Hansen Al Barker –joined after roll call

Staff Members Present Brian Patton, Executive Officer Cynthia Bridge Clark, Water Projects Section Manager Wesley Hipke, Recharge Project Manager Gary Spackman, Director Mat Weaver, Deputy Director Jennifer Strange, Admin. Assistant

Staff Members Present OnlineAnn VondeMeghan CarterPaul ThomasKala Golden

*Guests Present Online* Eric Wilson (in person) Steve Hannula Tom Bassista

John Simpson Nicholas Kraus Neeley Miller Steve Stuebner

Lynn Tominaga Robert Newbry

#### Agenda Item No. 2: Riverland Terrace Loan

Ms. Kala Golden provided a request to increase the Riverland Terrace Loan from \$190,000 to \$236,000. Mr. Eric Wilson stated that the corporation would have enough in reserves to cover the higher payment amount. There was some discussion related to the terms of the loan.

Mr. Van Stone moved to adopt a resolution to increase funding on the Riverland Terrace Non-profit Corporation loan. Mr. Alberdi seconded. <u>Roll call vote</u>: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, absent; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, aye. 7 ayes. The motion passed.

#### Agenda Item No. 3: Administrative Rules

Deputy Director Weaver briefed the Board on the previous steps taken on the matter of the administrative rules. A resolution was presented to publish the Board's current proposed fee rules as pending fee rules.

Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to adopt the resolution as presented. Mr. Stevenson seconded. <u>Roll call vote</u>: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, absent; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, aye. 7 ayes. The motion passed.

Following the vote, there was further discussion about rule making, and a proposed five-year schedule was provided. There was some discussion on the methodology for the schedule.

#### Agenda Item No. 4: Milepost 31 Recharge Site Modifications

Mr. Paul Thomas presented details of a proposed project to construct an embankment in the Mile Post 31 Recharge Site to protect a portion of a BLM road from flooding. There was some discussion. Mr. Raybould asked if re-routing the road might be an option. That option was not preferred by BLM, according to Mr. Hipke. Before the Board was a resolution to consider funding for the construction of the embankment in the amount of \$320,000. Mr. Alberdi asked how this will impact the Board's budget. The funding would be drawn from funding set aside in the Secondary Aquifer Fund for recharge infrastructure projects in the ESPA.

Mr. Raybould moved to adopt a resolution to approve funds for MP31 Recharge Site embankment project. Mr. Alberdi seconded. <u>Roll call vote</u>: Mr. Alberdi, aye; Mr. Barker, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Raybould, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, absent; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Chase, aye. 7 ayes. The motion passed.

#### Agenda Item No. 5: Non-Action Items for Discussion

There were no other items for discussion.

## Agenda Item No. 6: Executive Session

Mr. Alberdi made a motion to move into Executive Session to communicate with legal counsel regarding legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. 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, absent; Mr. Van Stone, aye; Chairman Chase, aye. 7 ayes. Motion passed. The topic discussed by Deputy Attorney General Ann Vonde was Water Right Application 01-10645.

At 10:02 a.m., Mr. Alberdi made a motion to move out of Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Stevenson and agreed upon by voice vote in favor. No actions were taken by the Board in Executive Session. The session was closed to the public.

# Agenda Item No. 7: Next Meeting and Adjourn

The next meeting was confirmed for November 19, 2020 in Boise and via an online format. Mr. Barker moved to adjourn. Mr. Van Stone seconded. Voice vote: all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

Vince Alberdi, Secretary Jennifer Strange, Administrative Assistant II

## **Board Actions:**

- 1. Adopted a resolution to increase funding in the Riverland Terrace Non-profit Corporation loan.
- 2. Adopted a resolution to publish the Idaho Water Resource Board's current proposed fee rules as pending fee rules.
- 3. Adopted a resolution to fund an embankment project for Milepost 31 Recharge Site.