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MINUTES MEETING NO. 2-21

Idaho Water Center
Conference Rooms 648A / Online Zoom Meeting
322 East Front Street, 6th Floor
BOISE

February 10, 2021

At 2:05 p.m. Chairman Raybould called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item No. 1: Roll Call

Board Members Present via Zoom Online

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

Staff Members Present

Brian Patton, Executive Officer
Gary Spackman, Director
Jennifer Strange, Admin. Assistant

Staff Members Present via Zoom Online

Cynthia Bridge Clark, Water Projects Section Manager
Neeley Miller, Senior Planner
Meghan Carter, Deputy Attorney General
Emily Skoro, Technical Engineer
Amy Cassel, Program Manager
Wesley Hipke, Project Manager
Steve Stuebner, Media Relations

Guests Present via Zoom Online

Michael Orr, Deputy Attorney General
Darrell Early, Deputy Attorney General
John Dawson
Kurt Newbry
Shane Phillips
Tom Bassista

Agenda Item No. 2: Executive Session

There was an executive session to discuss the topic of Priest Lake with Meghan Carter and the topic of Lemhi with Michael Orr. Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to resolve into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1) subsection (f). Mr. Barker seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, aye; Mr. Chase, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, aye; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 6 ayes. The motion passed. Closed to the public.

At 3:35 p.m. Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to resolve out of executive session. Mr. Van Stone seconded. Voice vote: all ayes. No action was taken by the board during the executive session. There was a five minute break while the meeting re-opened to the public.

Agenda Item No. 3: Priest Lake

Mr. Miller introduced the latest Priest Lake issues. Mr. Miller stated that the contractor for the project (STRIDER) suggested that a second season of work is necessary on the outlet dam. The contractor believed there were unexpected issues related to riprap below the dam which makes an extension necessary. Mr. Miller introduced John Dawson and Shane Phillips from Mott MacDonald, the IWRB's representative in managing construction of this project. Chairman Raybould requested the Mott MacDonald team provide an overview of the project and its challenges.

There was discussion among board members: questions about the timeline of events; questions on the quality of the completed work; and options on how to proceed with the project, including additional costs and potential change-orders.

It was suggested that this topic should be addressed again at a near-future meeting.

Agenda Item No. 4: ESPA Recharge

Mr. Patton presented a resolution which came from an agreement with Idaho Power Company. This resolution ended the non-diversion arrangement with IPC that had been adopted via resolution at the November 19, 2020 board meeting.

Mr. Chase moved to adopt a resolution regarding an agreement not to divert a portion of the Board's water rights 01-7054, 01-7142, and 01-10609 during the 2020-2021 recharge season. Mr. Van Der Meulen seconded. Voice vote: all ayes. The motion passed.

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

No other items were discussed.

Agenda Item No. 6: Next Meeting and Adjourn

There was discussion about a need for a follow up meeting related to the Priest Lake issue. Mr. Van Der Meulen moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Cole-Hansen seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of March, 2021.



Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, *Secretary*

Jennifer Strange, *Administrative Assistant II*

Board Actions:

1. Adopt a resolution regarding an agreement not to divert a portion of the Board's water rights 01-7054, 01-7142, and 01-10609 during the 2020-2021 recharge season.