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MINUTES MEETING NO. 6-21

Idaho Water Center
Conference Rooms 602 C & D / Online Zoom Meeting
322 East Front Street, 6th Floor
BOISE

April 26, 2021

At 10:00 a.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
Brian Olmstead
Dean Stevenson

Staff Members Present

Pete Van Der Meulen

Brian Patton, Executive Officer Gary Spackman, Director Wesley Hipke, Programs Manager Jennifer Strange, Admin. Assistant

Staff Members Present via Zoom Online

Cynthia Bridge Clark, Water Projects Section Manager

Neeley Miller, Senior Planner

Kala Golden Steve Stuebner

Staff Members Present via Zoom Online

Tom Bassista Ann Vonde
Darrell Early Chris Bromley
John Simpson Marie Kellner
Michael Lawrence Scott Pugrud
Heather O'Leary Kresta Davis

Agenda Item No. 2: Flood Management Grant Criteria

Mr. Miller provided a brief recap of the Flood Management Grant Program. Before the Board was a resolution to adopt the 2021 grant criteria. The proposed criteria established an application due date of Friday, June 18, 2021.

Mr. Chase moved to adopt the resolution. Ms. Cole-Hansen seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, absent; Mr. Chase, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Olmstead, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, absent; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 6 ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 3: Executive Session

There was an executive session to discuss the topics of Water Right Applications 37-23110 & 37-23111 and Water Right Applications 01-10613, 21-7577, 21-7578, 21-7580, & 21-13160 by Deputy Attorney General Ann Vonde. Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to resolve into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1) subsection (f). Mr. Stevenson seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Barker, absent; Mr. Chase, aye; Ms. Cole-Hansen, aye; Mr. Olmstead, aye; Mr. Stevenson, aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen, aye; Mr. Van Stone, absent; and Chairman Raybould, aye. 6 ayes. The motion passed. Closed to the public. Mr. Olmstead recused himself from the second topic during executive session.

Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to resolve out of executive session. Mr. Van Der Meulen seconded. Voice vote: all ayes. No action was taken by the board during the executive session. The Board moved back into open session at 11:30 a.m.

Agenda Item No. 4: Water Right Applications 37-23110 & 37-23111

Ms. Vonde discussed proposed conditions for water right applications 37-23110 and 37-23111. The proposed conditions for 37-23110 were "during the period from April 1st to June 15th water may only be diverted under this right when the flow on the Little Wood River, as measured at gage number 10 Little Wood River near Richfield, reaches or exceeds 350 cfs. And also, during the period from June 16th to March 31st, water may only be diverted under this right when the flow on the Little Wood River, as measured at gage number 10 Little Wood River near Richfield, reaches or exceeds 80 cfs.

Ms. Cole-Hansen moved to accept the base flow and flushing flow conditions on the Little Wood application that Ms. Vonde provided. Mr. Chase seconded. <u>Voice vote</u>: all ayes. The motion passed.

Ms. Vonde discussed a second set of conditions for both water right applications. The proposed conditions were "this water right is subordinate to all water rights established pursuant to Idaho law. And in times of shortage, this water right shall not be administered as senior to any existing or future ground or surface water rights with points of diversion upstream of Magic Reservoir."

Mr. Chase moved to reject the conditions listed. Ms. Cole-Hansen seconded. <u>Voice vote</u>: all ayes. The motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 5: Water Right Applications 01-10613, 21-7577, 21-7578, 21-7580 & 21-13160 Ms. Vonde asked for direction on recharge water right applications 01-10613, 21-7577, 21-7578, 21-7580, and 21-13160. Chairman Raybould recommended that she continue to negotiate on these rights along the lines of the legal recommendation that was made during executive session.

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

No other items were discussed.

Agenda Item No. 7: Next Meeting and Adjourn

The next regular meetings were confirmed for May 20-21, 2021 in Boise with a field trip planned for the 20th. Also mentioned were a Finance Committee meeting for May 10th and a Water Storage Committee meeting for May 12th. Mr. Stevenson moved to adjourn and Chairman Raybould seconded. <u>Voice vote</u>: all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of May, 2021.

Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, Secretary

Jennifer Strange, Administrative Assistant II

Board Actions:

- 1. Adopt a resolution to adopt Flood Management Grant criteria.
- 2. A motion to accept base flow and flushing flow conditions on water right application 37-23110.
- 3. A motion to reject conditions suggested on both water right applications 37-23110 and 37-23111.