IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

MEETING MINUTES 6-13

Idaho Water Center
Director's Conference Room 648A
322 East Front St, Boise ID 83720

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At Large

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District 2

John "Bert" Stevenson
Rupert
District 3

April 24, 2013

Chairman Roger Chase called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 am. There were eight Board members present. A quorum was present.

Agenda Item No. 1, Roll Call

Board Members Present

Roger Chase, Chairman
Vince Alberdi
Jeff Raybould
Bob Graham
Bert Stevenson
Chuck Cuddy
Peter Van Der Meulen
Albert Barker

Staff Members Present

Brian Patton, Planning Bureau Chief
Mandi Pearson, Administrative Assistant
Helen Harrington, Planning Section Manager

Agenda Item No. 2, Blue Lakes/Pristine Springs Pipeline

Mr. Brian Patton discussed the Blue Lakes Pipeline. The ground water districts and other parties who own the Blue Lakes Trout Farm requested that the Board consider the level of its participation in rebuilding the pipeline that delivers water to both Blue Lakes Trout Farm and the Board's Pristine Springs project. At the March 22, 2013 IWRB meeting, the Board appointed a sub-committee of Vince Alberdi and Pete Van Der Meulen to negotiate with the owners on behalf of the Board and provide a recommendation to the Board. About ten percent of the water delivered through the pipeline goes directly to Pristine Springs, and the remainder goes to the Blue Lakes Trout Farm. The pipeline has deteriorated and needs to be replaced. The estimated cost is approximately $1.6 million.

The sub-committee recommended that the IWRB pay for 10% of the project cost, which is consistent with the approximate water deliveries through the pipeline. The sub-committee also recommended that the Board provide a loan of up to $1.5 million to finance the balance of project costs, with a 5-year term at 4%.

Mr. Patton asked the sub-committee members if they would like to speak. Mr. Alberdi stated his agreement to the recommendation and proposed resolution. He asked if the Board will be protected by this agreement, and if the owners will maintain the pipeline so that Pristine Springs will continue to get water delivered. Mr. Van Der Meulen expressed his agreement with Mr. Alberdi's remarks. Mr. Patton stated that the issues discussed will be written in the agreement. Mr. Raybould also expressed agreement with Mr. Alberdi's remarks that the agreement needs to ensure the continued delivery of water to Pristine Springs. There was discussion among the parties to edit the language in the resolution to state that the Pristine Springs Project is entitled now and in the future to receive water delivered through the pipeline.

Mr. Barker made a motion to adopt the resolution to make a funding commitment in the matter of the Pristine Springs Project and the Blue Lakes Pipeline with the suggested changes. Mr. Raybould seconded the motion. Mr. Stevenson requested to abstain from voting because he is a member of the groundwater district.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Cuddy: Aye; Mr. Alberdi: Aye; Mr. Raybould: Aye; Mr. Van Der Meulen: Aye; Mr. Graham: Aye; Mr. Barker: Aye; Chairman Chase: Aye. Motion passed.

Agenda Item No. 5, Adjourn

The IWRB Meeting 6-13 adjourned at approximately 7:45 am.

Respectfully submitted this 17th day of May, 2013.

Bob Graham, Secretary

Mandi Pearson, Administrative Assistant II

Board Actions:

1. Mr. Barker made a motion to adopt the resolution to make a funding commitment in the matter of the Pristine Springs Project and the Blue Lakes Pipeline with the suggested changes. Mr. Raybould seconded the motion. Mr. Stevenson requested to abstain from voting because he is a member of the groundwater district. Roll Call Vote. Motion passed.