

Annual Water District Meeting Checklist

Water district annual meetings must address certain topics. The checklist below will help ensure each water district is addressing the necessary topics during the annual meeting. Please return this completed checklist to the appropriate IDWR regional office along with the adopted budget, resolutions, and annual meeting minutes.

Water District Number and Name:

74 A Geertson Creek

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DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES
EASTERN REGION

Meeting Date, Time and Location:

March 4th 7:00pm Public Library

- ☒ Election of meeting chairman and secretary (*chairman facilitates meeting and secretary must record meeting minutes and submit to IDWR within 5 business days following the meeting*)
- ☒ Read and approve previous year annual meeting minutes
- ☐ Watermaster report and presentation of proposed budget
- ☐ Treasurer financial report
- ☐ Adopt budget (*must be submitted to IDWR immediately following the meeting*)
- ☐ Elect watermaster*
- ☐ Elect assistant watermaster(s)* (optional)
- ☐ Elect water district treasurer*
- ☐ Select an advisory committee (optional)
- ☒ Adopt resolutions (*must be submitted to IDWR immediately following the meeting*)
- ☒ Determine next year's meeting date, time and location

Date _____ Time _____ Location _____

* An oath is required before the first year of service.

By signing below I verify that all required actions have been addressed at the water district annual meeting.

Completed by:

Bert W. Yipries

Water District Representative / Title

3/4/25

Date

Annual Water Meeting**March 4, 2025****District 74-A Geertson Creek**

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The annual water meeting was called to order at the Salmon Public Library on March 4th, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Those in attendance were: Bert Jeffries, Rikka Jeffries, Rockie Walker, LeeAnn Walker, Jen Vogel, Verdell Olson, Valerie Olson, Nathan Stokes, Sarah White & Hilario Ruiz.

The meeting was called to order by Bert. He had all members sign in. Last year's minutes were read by Valerie, there were no corrections of the minutes. Valerie passed out a copy of the check book register report for the year to all members. It was noted that the account is maintaining approximately \$2000.00, so the budget can be left the same as last year.

Bert asked Jen Vogel to introduce herself, she is representing the IDWR. Everyone welcomed her to the meeting. Verdell asked her to check into the High water rights that have been issued on Geertson Creek and report back to us. Valerie expressed her concerns about the complications when filling out the Government Entity Central Registration report. She had to send the report in several times before it was accepted and felt it was not user friendly at all. She asks if there was some way to simplify it. Jen said there had been several other people with the same concerns, and they were working on it.

Nominations then took place: For Chairman, Verdell nominated Bert and was seconded by Nathan. Rikka nominated Valerie for secretary, seconded by Sarah. Verdell nominated Rockie to continue as water master & Rikka seconded.

It was agreed by all the meeting for next year would be the first Tuesday of March and would be held in the Salmon Public Library.

The district thanked Rockie once again for doing such a great job & making himself available when needed. Bert asked Rockie what ditches & repairs need to be addressed? Rockie said his main concern was the Tonsmeire Weir, he has not been able to get an accurate reading as it is not level and leaking water. He asked that it be repaired or replaced. There was no one from the Tonsmeire Ranch

representing them at the meeting. It has changed managers, so Rockie said he could write a letter concerning the issues with the existing weir and Valerie offered to deliver the letter along with the minutes to Amy Tonsmeire.

Valerie asked that all water users let Rockie know when they are turning their water off for whatever reason, as this saves him from having to back track when measuring the water.

It was agreed all water users need to make their repairs before receiving water, so Rockie can go in and do his job accurately.

The proposed budget for 2025 will be as follows:

Water master compensation: \$2500.00 (\$1200.00 mileage, \$1300.00 wages)

Net for wages (\$1200.55)

Fica/fed payroll tax: \$198.90

Workman's comp ins. \$400.00

Secretary wages: \$200.00

Stamps: 10.00

Total: \$3209.45

Checking/Savings account balance as of January 1, 2025

Eastern Idaho Credit Union: \$2101.50

Water assessments for 2025 are as follows:

Tonsmeire Ranch: \$376.13

Verdell Olson: \$445.42

Sarah White: \$257.36

Jolley Ranch: \$775.37

Dave Santos: \$270.56

Vergil Olson: \$138.58

Bert Jeffries: \$386.03

Ramaldo Martin: \$649.99

Total Assessments for 2025: \$3299. 44

Water Master Salary:

Gross salary: \$1300.00 - Mileage expense: \$1200.00 – Total: \$ 2500.00

Water Master call schedule for 2025: April 1-April 30th, 1 call weekly or as needed.

May 1- August 31st, 2 calls weekly or as needed. Sept. 1 – Nov. 1st, 1 call weekly or as needed.

Resolved: All water assessments are due and payable April 1, 2025. No water user shall have the right to demand and receive water, and the water master shall not deliver water to such persons, until the assessments, as set by the current budget are paid in full.

Resolved: When one water user has his water shut off, whatever the reason, the water master will notify the other users who may want the water. High water is to be equally divided among all water users who want to use it.

Resolved: The water master is to be paid four times a year. 04/15/25 – 06/15/25 – 08/15/25, the last payment will be issued after the water master's report has been filed with the water resource and all locks (if being used) have been removed from the head gates at the end of the irrigation season.

Resolved: The creek will be measured the day before the lake water is turned on.

Resolved: All water users are to apply adequate pressure to their diversions; check head gates are not leaking and furnish dam material for the water master to put in front of head gates if needed. Please give 24hr notice when requesting water.

Resolved: If the water master cannot be available in the 24 hr. call period, then the chairman and 2 other water users will measure and distribute the water accordingly.

With no further business, Bert moved that the meeting adjourn. Sarah seconded.

Bert Jeffries – Chairman Valerie Olson – Secretary

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ATTENDANCE 20 25 ANNUAL
MEETING

WATER DISTRICT NO. 74 A
WATER DISTRICT AREA Geertson Creek

ANNUAL MEETING

Date March 4 Time 7:00 am/pm pm
Location Salmon Library
Address _____

NAME	ADDRESS	REPRESENTING
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Rockie Walker		Water master
Jeng Vogel	1301 Main Street	IDWR
Val Olson		
Vendell Olson		
Sarah White		
Nathan Stokes	646 Lewis Rd	
Hilario Ruiz	35 Starr Lane	
Rikka Jeffries	299 Geertson Cr. Rd.	
Bert Jeffries	— " —	