

DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES SOUTHERN REGION

# **Water District 140 Annual Meeting**

Held at the City of Burley City Council Chambers February 6, 2025

Welcome by Tyler Cranney

### **Meeting Business**

Motion for Tyler Cranney as meeting chairman.

Russel Patterson 1st, Randy Brown 2nd, voted and passed

Motion for Ryan Shurtliff as meeting secretary.

Russel Patterson 1st, Aaron Hepworth 2nd, voted and passed

Reading of 2024 Annual Meeting minutes

Motion to approve minutes.

Russell Patterson 1st, Aaron Hepworth 2nd, voted and passed.

Time turned over to Jaxon Higgs

Jaxon gave appreciation for Water Well Consultants being elected watermaster for many years and the long standing relationship and cooperation.

#### **Watermaster Report**

Total Assessment was \$86,010.

Analysis of assessments. There was 1 delinquent assessment.

Budget year to date total of \$70,722.95. Will still have a financial review now based on the district fiscal year of March 1 to Feb 28 (or 29) instead of calendar year.

End of year balance of \$43,239.73 in bank account.

Two curtailment actions in 2024

Spring order curtailed 49 water rights, but the curtailment was not enforced. Priority date was 1953.

Fall, and current, curtailment order had a 1970 priority date. About 20 water rights under this curtailment, but those rights are already curtailed under the Rangen 1962 call.

Review of Administered water rights

1431 total rights, 202 of which are not assessed because they are unused or not measured 1342 groundwater rights

88 other source, spring or creek rights

Snowpack is decent, about average. Slightly less than last year.

Reservoir system fill looks good, not quite as good as last year.

#### **ESPA GWMA**

Review of Rule 50 boundary for ESPA and for tributaries that will be required to participate in 2025 or in future years. This includes those in the Albion/Marsh Creek basin.

## 2024 Stipulated Mitigation Plan

Review of all terms. Discussion of how this will affect surface water availability for mitigation and that there will be more competition for that water. Discussion of water bank rentals and how they are allocated water under a mitigation plan.

Motion approve watermaster report

Ryan Cranney 1st, Brent Stoker 2nd, voted and passed

#### Resolutions

No changes to resolutions, Water Well Consultants as watermaster and Ty Beck as treasurer.

Budget will stay the same as last year.

Users agreed that carryover should stay in bank account as emergency fund. We can review this amount annually.

Financial review will be based on district fiscal year in future. Changed wording under financial review to note that it will be a fiscal year end financial review. The financial review will not be available at the annual meeting, but will be delivered to the advisory committee as soon as possible following the end of the fiscal year.

Minimum assessment kept at \$25.

#### **Advisory Committee**

Gary Fowler joined Magic Valley GWD, his replacement will be Leroy Robinson from Albion. Industrial representative is unknown, but only district industrial member is McCains. Will leave the spot vacant to be determined.

Motion was made to elect Tyler Cranney as Chairman of the Advisory Committee Aaron Hepworth 1<sup>st</sup>, David Pickett 2<sup>nd</sup>, voted and passed

Motion to approve resolutions including watermaster, treasurer, budget, and Advisory Committee

David Pickett 1st, Brent Stoker 2nd, voted and passed

Acknowledgement of Bill Parsons as district attorney.

Motion to Adjourn meeting

Aaron Hepworth 1<sup>st</sup>, Nathan Pickett 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.