

**WATER DISTRICT 29H – Marsh Creek
2026 ANNUAL MEETING - Minutes
Downey Library – Downey, Idaho
Thursday, January 08, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.**



Chairman Randy Wheatley opened the meeting and introduced the attending advisory committee, watermaster, assistant watermaster and treasurer.

Selection of Meeting Chairman: Randy opened the floor for nominations for Meeting Chairman. Randy Wheatley, was nominated by Steve East, Charlie Bullock 2nd - motion carried unanimously.

Selection of Meeting Secretary: Chairman Wheatley opened the floor for nominations for Meeting Secretary. Dianna Burden was nominated by Cory Webster and 2nd by JoDeana Dunn - motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from 2025 Annual Meeting: Chairman Wheatley gave everyone time to read the minutes. Randy Wheatley motioned to accept the minutes, Cory Webster 2nd - motion carried unanimously.

Dianna Burden gave a summary of the IDWR/Townhall where the meetings are all posted and the summary of the watermaster duties and the treasurer duties

Watermaster Report for 2026 Season: Kristin Evans – showed the users how to get to Water District 1 to see the curtailment date. <https://www.waterdistrict1.com/current-data/>
MEASURING DEVICE MAINTENANCE – must be maintained and able to read. Many of measuring devices in our district have blank screens. Maintenance is required from the water user. Kristin hired an assistant watermaster, Aspen Hubbard, she has picked up her duties fast and would like to stay on for next year. 283 surveys were recorded for diversions that have measuring devices. All diversions, including 5.0 acres or less, were monitored more than twice to ensure all water users were in compliance. Kristin curtailed 4 water users, 2 were for curtailment date compliance issues and 2 were from a water user calling on their water. Tribal water lease applications **MUST** be complete by July 1st each year. Eight water users leased tribal water. Thank you for your support, it was a hard season due to the curtailment date. Collecting balances was difficult because of the curtailment dates. The total volume (AF) of water delivered to water users in the district was 6,944.84 up from prior year at 6,569.98. Cory Webster motioned to accept the watermaster report, Steve East 2nd - motion carried unanimously.

Lori Davis stated that the assessments are to keep the district in compliance with IDWR and allow us to run smoothly, it is not that “you” are paying for your water. Just compliance with the State of Idaho.

Treasurer Report: Dianna Burden stated the 2025 budget was \$30,500 and the expenses totaled \$28,704. Some line items were adjusted, but we stayed within budget. Kristin worked on collecting past due accounts. Last year we had 7 users totaling \$1,908, and 3 of them are deceased. This year we have \$3,658.50 and 13 water users. Registered letters were mailed in December and 2 were returned. A couple of users paid after receiving the certified letters, but did not include the interest and have cost the district additional expenses. The district used \$5,503 from the \$5,500 that was budgeted. The year-end checking account balance is \$12,305 and last year it was \$15,817. The assessments will be based on a 5-year average 9,624.56.

Cory Webster made a motion that if an account is past due at the end of the year, a UCCI will be filed against the real estate and water right, after approval of IDWR. Ralph Wheatly 2nd. - motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of Proposed 2026 Budget: Chairman Wheatley covered the proposed budget \$34,500. The only increase would be \$3,000 for the assistant watermaster and an addition \$1,000 for mileage.

The proposed adjusted cost per acre foot is 2.69 and last year (2025) it was 1.36. Currently of the 132 users, 71% are minimum users. There was some discussion of increasing the minimum assessment. Randy Bertagnole made a motion to keep the minimum assessment at \$100. Cory Webster 2nd - motion carried unanimously.

Adoption of Budget and Other Resolution Matters: Cory Webster motioned to adopt the proposed 2026 Budget, Randy Bertagnole 2nd - motion carried unanimously.

Election of a Watermaster: Chairman Wheatley opened the floor for watermaster nominations. JoDeana Dunn nominated Kristin Evans, Randy Bertagnole 2nd - motion carried unanimously.

Election of a Treasurer: Chairman Wheatley opened the floor for treasurer nominations. Tim Losee nominated Dianna Burden, Cory Webster 2nd - motion carried unanimously.

Selection of Advisory Committee:

Small Irrigation User: Charlie Bullock nominated by Ralph Wheatley, 2nd by Randy Bertagnole, - motion carried unanimously.

Large Irrigation User 1 – Alan Kay was nominated by Ralph Wheatley, 2nd by Lori Davis, - motion carried unanimously.

Large Irrigation User 2 – Steve East was nominated by Charlie Bullock, 2nd by Randy Bertagnole - motion carried unanimously.

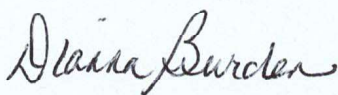
Large Irrigation User 3 – Randy Wheatley was nominated by JoDeana Dunn, 2nd by Lori Davis - motion carried unanimously.

Municipal/ Non-Irrigation User - Tony Hancock was nominated by Cory Webster, 2nd by Randy Bertagnole, - motion carried unanimously.

Next Year's Meeting Date and Time – Tuesday, February 23, 2027

IDWR Update: None

Adjournment of Meeting: Cory Webster motioned to adjourn, Ralph Wheatley 2nd - motion carried unanimously.



Minutest recorded by:

Dianna Burden, Secretary

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:

29-H Marsh Creek



Meeting Date, Time and Location:

1/8/26 7pm Downey Library

- Election of meeting chairman and secretary (*chairman facilities 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 1/8/26 Time 7:00 Location Downey, ID Library

* 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:

James W. [Signature] - Advisory Committee Chair 1/8/26
Water District Representative / Title Date

ROSTER OF

ATTENDANCE 2026 ANNUAL

MEETING

WATER DISTRICT NO. 29-4)

ANNUAL MEETING

WATER DISTRICT AREA Marsh Creek)

Date 1/8/26 Time 7 am pm

Location DOWNEY LIBRARY

Address 18 N. Main St.
Downey ID 83234

NAME	ADDRESS	REPRESENTING
Kristin Evans		Watermaster
Diana Burden	PO Box 183 Downey Id.	Treasurer
Randy Wenzel	PO Box 162 McCammon	MILIC / Advisor
Ralph Lehndy	PO Box 116 McCammon	
RANDY BERTAGNOLE	2864 E ^{Downey} BOWMAN RD	Self
Curtis + Jo Deana Dunn	2526 S Marsh Creek	Walker Creek / Eastside Ditch
Alma Albert	1401 S Marsh Cr.	Self
Frank Kessler	2599 S Marsh Creek RD	Self
Tim Jasep	3680 E Neigh creek Brgy Dr.	Self
Charles Bullock		Water district
Lori Davis	21752 S. Marsh Valley Rd Downey	Self
Cory + Jill Webster	24359 S. Hwy 91 Downey	Hogwire Ranch.
Bret + Becky Purbett	18515 S. Marsh Valley Rd. Downey	Self
Kaden Bullock	8455 S. Marsh Creek Rd	Mike Bullock
Robert R. Heden / Vivian Christensen	Covered	Self
Joseph Jansen	6593 E. Brush Creek RD.	Self.

