

**WATER DISTRICT 32-C
MEDICINE LODGE CREE,
Dubois, Clark County, Idaho**

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DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES
EASTERN REGION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MARCH 3, 2026

In accordance with the provisions of the Idaho Code setting the date of the annual meeting for the Water District, the users of Water District 32-C met this day at 1:00 p.m. at the Clark County Annex Building in Dubois, Idaho, for the purpose of electing a Watermaster, Chairman and Secretary, and transacting such other business that might come before the meeting pertaining to the irrigation water of the District.

Those in attendance were Brock Egan (Chairman), Tod Shenton, Kevin Small, Caleb Munns, Tanner Wood (IDWR), Jon Davidson (IDWR), Brett Murdock (Deputy Watermaster), and Laurie Small (Secretary).

Brock Egan called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

ADOPTING PROPOSED AGENDA:

Brock Egan presented the agenda for the meeting as listed below:

- Review the Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Nomination & Election of Chairman & Secretary
- Nomination & Election of Credentials Committee
- Watermaster's Report
- Budget Approval
- Election of Watermaster
- Review & Adoption of Resolutions
- Appointment of Advisory Committee
- IDWR Report
- Other Business
- Next Annual Meeting Date & Time
- Adjournment

Kevin Small motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Tod Shenton seconded. Motion carried.

MINUTES:

Mr. Egan entertained a motion to approve the 2025 minutes. **Caleb Munns made a motion to approve the 2025 minutes. Kevin Small seconded. Motion carried.**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Mr. Egan asked for nominations for the office of Chairman and Secretary. **Kevin Small nominated Brock Egan as Chairman and Laurie Small as Secretary. Caleb Munns seconded the motion. Nominations passed.**

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Chairman, Brock Egan, waived appointing a Credentials Committee at this time. One will be appointed at a later date if needed.

WATERMASTER’S REPORT:

Deputy Watermaster, Brett Murdock, discussed the 2025 Water District 32-C Watermaster’s report as follows.

2025 WATER YEAR:

The 2025 water delivery was 14,048 A.F. of water compared to 18,546 A.F in the previous year. Water delivery started on April 15th.

2025 SNOW COURSE MEASUREMENTS:

Snow measurements at Irving Creek were 16.4” with 3.6” of water content, averaging 82% of normal. Weber Creek snow depth was 18.2” with 3.6” water content, averaging 75% of normal. The average on both courses was 78% of normal. Thirty-year averages were 4.4” of water in Irving Creek and 4.8” of water in Weber Creek. Snow levels are better in the higher elevations but little to no snow in the lower elevations.

Cloud seeding continues, however the lack of storm patterns has limited the use of the generators.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET:

Deputy Watermaster, Brett Murdock, reviewed the 2025 budget explaining the expenditures. Mr. Murdock then presented the 2026 proposed budget.

	2026 PROPOSED BUDGET	2026 ADOPTED BUDGET
Watermaster	\$1800.00	\$1800.00
Deputy Watermaster	\$7000.00	\$7000.00
Mileage	\$6800.00	\$6800.00
Secretary	\$350.00	\$350.00
FICA Tax	\$650.00	\$650.00
Insurance (WC)	\$600.00	\$600.00
Miscellaneous	\$1000.00	\$1000.00
Cloud Seeding	\$1000.00	\$1000.00
Retirement	\$900.00	\$900.00
Office Rent	\$900.00	\$900.00
Beaver	\$300.00	\$300.00
Cell Phones	\$600.00	\$600.00
County Payroll & Collections	\$500.00	\$500.00
Total	\$22,400.00	\$22,400.00
2026 Budget		\$22,400.00
Less Carry Over		-\$2095.72

2026 Budget Charge		\$20,304.28
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WATERMASTER’S REPORT & BUDGET APPROVAL:

Tod Shenton moved to approve the budget as presented. Kevin Small seconded. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF WATERMASTER:

Chairman, Brock Egan, asked for nominations for Watermaster. **Kevin Small nominated Greg Shenton for Watermaster. Tod Shenton seconded. Nomination passed.**

RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Egan asked for a motion to adopt the following resolutions.

Headgates and Weirs

All control devices and measuring devices shall be in good working order before water can be demanded and delivered. The Watermaster shall not deliver any water unless such devices are in good working order. All headgates systems that have return flow capability or a bypass channel for the water to return to Medicine Lodge must have a weir installed and functioning before water will be delivered.

Collection of Water Assessments

No ditch, canal, or other water user shall have the right to demand and receive water until full payment due is paid. Payment shall become due April 1, and shall become delinquent May 1, and if not paid by May 1, the payment shall bear interest from May 1, at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum. The Watermaster shall not deliver any water until full payment due is paid.

Watermaster Term of Service

The Watermaster shall be elected for a term of one full year. The purpose is so the Watermaster can serve in the legal capacity to do official business for the district in the event of emergencies, legislative actions, hearings, disputes or other water related or job-related activities. The Watermaster cannot be required to make water deliveries before April 1, or after November 1, (the normal irrigation season) unless an emergency exists. The Watermaster shall not be paid before April 1, or after November 1 from water district budgeted regular funds.

Pumping from Creek

Prohibit any pumping directly from Medicine Lodge Creek as per the motion adopted 1980, which read as follows: “That no pumping be allowed from Medicine Lodge Creek or its tributaries, without first diverting and measuring water into a private pond or sump, to eliminate any interference with regulation of stream waters.”

Calling the Deputy watermaster to Duty

The Deputy Watermaster shall be called to duty by the Watermaster for the remainder of the season at the request of three water users whose signature shall authorize said action.

Deputy Term of Service

The Deputy Watermaster shall be called to duty on May 1 to measure, record and regulate waters of Medicine Lodge Creek.

Pooling Agreement

Be it resolved that the water users of Medicine Lodge Creek unanimously agree and direct the Watermaster to continue the practice of water right exchanges, which has been practiced since the formation of the stipulation and agreement dated March 2, 1954. Such practices shall include pooling of waters, rented waters, and exchanges beneficial to the users as a whole. The Watermaster is further directed not to deliver the above-mentioned waters to a downstream user, until that water delivery amount (c.f.s.) is assessed a bed loss value to provide that no injury to an existing water right would occur. These losses should be assessed according to the average of U.S.G.S. bed losses measurements. We further resolve that delivery of the above waters cannot be demanded prior to May 1, unless excess water exists in the stream.

ADOPTING RESOLUTIONS:

Tod Shenton moved that all resolutions be adopted. Caleb Munns seconded. Resolutions passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Chairman, Brock Egan, appointed the following: Matt Hoggan, Kevin Small, Garth Ashcraft, Tod Shenton and himself as the Advisory Committee.

IDWR REPORT:

Jon Davidson and Tanner Wood attended the meeting representing the Idaho Department of Water Resources. Mr. Wood addressed a question about current curtailment. December 2025 a final order curtailing water rights junior to August 15, 1952 will need to belong to a ground water district with approved mitigation plan to avoid curtailment.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Murdock reported that he checked on the concerns the water users had with the pooling and change in natural channel at the Lynn Tomlinson's property and thought it was not causing any harm to the creek and no changes have been made since he last checked.

Discussion about new irrigation pivot permits requests for upper Medicine Lodge. Pertaining to this permit, Mr. Davidson commented that the request to use well water to replenish surface water is not allowed.

Discussion on multiple springs in Medicine Lodge and if they are tributaries to Medicine Lodge Creek. Most of the springs discussed do not reach Medicine Lodge and are not considered tributaries. Springs that do not reach Medicine Lodge Creek can be put in a ditch on high water situations only.

One spring northeast of Dave Stelzer's was questioned. There is a ditch associated with this spring but has been there historically so it can remain. Mr. Murdock found a headgate on this ditch and reported that it was open. Mr. Murdock plans on using a drone to monitor these areas more closely.

Brock Egan asked if parallel ditches belonging to Riverbend and Matt Hoggan on lower Medicine Lodge Creek could be combined to avoid unnecessary water waste.

MEETING TIME:

Caleb Munns moved to have next year's meeting on Tuesday March 2, 2027, 1:00 p.m., at the Clark County Annex Building in Dubois, Idaho. Kevin Small seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Kevin Small moved to adjourn at 1:50 p.m.

Attest


Brock Egan, Chairman



Laurie Small, Secretary

**ROSTER OF
ATTENDANCE 2026
ANNUAL MEETING**

WATER DISTRICT NO. 32 C)

WATER DISTRICT AREA Medicine Lodge

ANNUAL MEETING

Date 03/03/2026 Time 1:00 am/pm

Location Clark County/City Annex Bldg.

Address 332 W Main Street
Dubois, ID 83423

NAME	ADDRESS	REPRESENTING
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Jon Davidson

IDWR

Tanner Wagd

IDWR

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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:

Water District 32-C - Medicine Lodge

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Meeting Date, Time and Location:

03/03/2026 Clark County Annex Building, Dubois ID.

- 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) *one will be appointed by chairman if needed.*
- Adopt resolutions (*must be submitted to IDWR immediately following the meeting*) *included in minutes*
- Determine next year's meeting date, time and location

Date 03/02/2027 Time 1:00pm Location Clark County Annex Building Dubois ID

* 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:

Laurie Small
Water District Representative / Title

03/09/2026
Date