

**Water District 37 (WD37)
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 12, 2026
1:30 p.m.
At the Lincoln County Community Center**

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(All meeting documents including agenda, previous meeting minutes, proposed budget, and proposed resolutions are posted on the Department's website at: www.idwr.idaho.gov > Water Rights > Water Districts > Active Districts > Water District 37, and then click on "Big and Little Wood River Drainages including Ground Water")

1:00 p.m. pre-meeting

- Roll call of attendees to establish total meeting attendance: Attendance was taken, via sign in sheets.
- Designation of voting eligibility from those in attendance.

1:30 p.m. meeting - To help this meeting operate more smoothly, a "Nay" vote will be requested on all voted items. The "Yay" vote will then be determined by subtracting the Nay vote number from the number of total eligible voters.

#1 CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION

Fred Brossy called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

#2 SELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

Nominations for a chairperson for the 2026 annual meeting were requested.

Motion: Rod Hubsmith nominated Fred Brossy as Chairman of the WD37 2026 Annual Meeting. Motion seconded by Dave Bell. No other nominations were received. Vote. The motion passed, unopposed.

#3 SELECTION OF MEETING SECRETARY/RECORDER

Nominations for a meeting secretary for the 2026 annual meeting were requested.

Motion: Rod Hubsmith nominated Brittany Gailey as the secretary/recorder of the WD37 2026 Annual Meeting. Lawrence Schoen seconded. No other nominations were received. Vote. The motion passed unopposed.

#4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 2025 ANNUAL MEETING

Chairman Fred Brossy called for a motion to approve the drafted Minutes from the January 13, 2025 annual meeting. Larry requests an amendment to change item #10 from "he" to "the committee".

Motion: Lawrence Schoen made a motion to approve the WD37 Minutes for the 2025 Annual Meeting as amended. Motion seconded by Rod Hubsmith. Vote. The motion carried, unopposed.

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#5 IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES UPDATE

Caitlyn Swanson from the IWRB Cloud Seeding Program presented an update on cloud seeding. Water District 37's cloud seeding portion will be 11%. There was discussion about cloud seeding.

#6 ADOPTION OF 2026 BUDGET

Chairman Brossy opened the floor for discussion of the proposed 2026 budget. Pat Purdy inquired about the increase in medical benefits. The chairman explained that the previous medical insurance plan had expired and the new insurance plan's cost was a significant increase.

Pat Purdy questioned why there was such a large cut in the telemetry budget. Watermaster Healey explained that the water district would be applying for grants to cover the cost of any new telemetry. There was a suggestion to include the previous year's budgeted and actual expenses on the handouts given to the water users at the next annual meeting. WD37 noted to include that information in future meetings. Corey King from IDWR reminded the water users that the treasurer's report is posted on the department's website after the annual meeting and can be found there. Chairperson Brossy called for a motion to adopt the budget.

Motion: Pat Purdy made a motion to adopt the WD37 2026 Budget. Motion seconded by Brett Bashaw. Vote. The motion passed unopposed.

#7 ADOPTION OF 2026 RESOLUTIONS

Lawrence Schoen proposes an amendment to resolution 14 either change to develop into an annual contract instead of multi-year contract.

Pat Purdy proposes an amendment to resolution 15 to omit "ratified by the Water District members at the annual meeting."

Cooper Brossy proposes changing resolution 13 to clarify non-consumptive flow requirements. He proposes "Be it resolved the Watermaster shall require lockable and controllable measuring devices to monitor the flows of water from the main source from which water has been diverted. Non-consumptive flows must be also measured back to the main source from which water has been diverted. The Watermaster shall have the authority to investigate, enforce and act accordingly with the Code of the State of Idaho."

Chairperson Brossy called for a motion for the resolutions proposed for 2026.

Motion: Pat Purdy made a motion to approve the resolutions as amended. Rod Hubsmith seconded the motion.

#8 CURRENT ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman Brossy opened the floor for discussion regarding the advisory board members.

Pat Purdy makes a motion to approve the list of advisory board members. Cooper Brossy seconded the motion. The motion carried, unopposed.

2026 Advisory Board for Water District 37

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| (2) Big Wood River Representatives: | |
| 1- Above Magic | Mark Johnson |
| 1- Below Magic | Howard Morris |
| (1) Little Wood River/Silver Creek | Nick Purdy |
| (1) Hydropower | Bill Arkoosh |
| (2) Canal Companies/Irrigation Districts | |
| 1- Rep – American Falls Res. Dist #2 | Rod Hubsmith |
| 1- Rep – Big Wood Canal Company | Fred Brossy |
| (1) Groundwater Municipals | Chris Johnson |
| (1) Groundwater Small Users (Less / 40 Acres) | Dave Bell |
| (1) Groundwater Large Agricultural (Larger /40 Acres) | Justin Stevenson |

#9 DISTRICT NEWS AND UPDATES

Watermaster Sunny Healey gave some updates regarding Water District 37. Some more telemetry is ready to be installed. The new water right accounting program is planning to start in 2026 and will start on Silver Creek and then be implemented to other areas in our system. The water right accounting will be helpful in calculating water rights in priority. Cory Skinner added that it will be in tandem with WD37 operations. Pat Purdy inquired if it is a real-time decision making tool. Corey King replied that it is taking real-time data and give priority cuts to the watermaster.

Watermaster Healey reported that WD37 is working with the department for assessing non-consumptive water rights. The SWE reported for the Big Wood was 113% and the Little Wood was 142%. She thanked Brittany Gailey and the advisory board for all of the help the last couple of years.

Corey King gave an update on the water measurement order that will be issued by the director of IDWR specific to surface water diversions. The order will be mailed out before irrigation season, but the grace period is unknown as of right now.

Chairman Brossy asked for any other discussion items, with none presented.

#10 ADJOURN

Motion: Cooper Brossy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Fred Brossy. Call for nays. Motion passed unopposed. Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully,

Fred Brossy, Chairman

Brittany Gailey, Treasurer

Brittany Gailey, Minutes Secretary