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The Idaho Washington Aquifer Collaborative (IWAC) works to maintain and enhance water quality and quantity for present and future generations by developing management strategies which benefit the Spokane Valley Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer and the Spokane River watersheds.

December 12, 2017, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District
Representatives Present

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AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions – President Dan Kegley called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm and welcomed everyone. The agenda was modified moving the KSPS video presentation to the first order of business.

Old Business

KSPS Video Script Review – Dawn Bayman and Ben Gurtel presented a 10.5-minute final draft of the IWAC Aquifer video. Members present described it as “excellent.” They suggested locations such as the Spokane County Water Resource Center, Mobius and classroom teachers that would play the full 10.5-minute version. IWAC could distribute the video on IWAC labeled flash drives. A future contract with KSPS might break the video into shorter 3.5-minute segments. Art Jenkins, City of Spokane Valley (CoSV) and Jim Ekins, UI Extension are both interested in having their names added to the scrolling list of contributors. Art will take the DRAFT video and show it to CoSV decision makers. Tonilee will send contributor invoices.

A few changes to the video were recommended including:

- Replace the image of bottled water with a glass of water
- Add mountains to the graphic of the aquifer
- Edit the scrolling list of members and remove names that are not members/contributors. Ron Wilson and Tonilee Hanson will send contributor information.
- Add logos for members/contributors
- Replace the image of Vera Water and Power’s “Toys for Tots sign” with an image of North Kootenai Water and Sewer District.
- Add “For more information visit www.iwac.us” at the end of the video.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – President Dan Kegley called for additions or corrections to the minutes for October 10, 2017. No changes were requested. Jeremy Jenkins moved to approve

the October minutes and Rick Neal seconded the motion. President Kegley called for the vote and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Financial Report – Much appreciation to Ron Wilson who, has recovered from health issues and, was reinstated as IWAC’s Treasurer. Following the October decision of the members, Treasurer Wilson and President Kegley contracted with Anderson Bros. CPA, P.A. to manage IWAC state filings and set-up/maintain IWAC’s financial books. Anderson Bros. charges \$140/hour and estimates that it will take one-half hour per month to maintain IWAC’s books. A check for \$181.25 was issued to Anderson Bros. for filing IWAC’s 501c3 status which had been suspended by Idaho State. A fee of \$30 was paid to the Idaho Secretary of State to reinstate IWAC.

The 11/30/17 Mountain West Bank balance was \$36,102.90. Accounts Payable for December amounted to \$4,587.70 and included:

- Travel Expenses to present at the Spokane River Forum Conference
 - Adam Gravley \$ 479.78
 - Candice McHugh \$ 226.39
 - Barb Cosens \$ 99.88
- 2017 fee for SAJB Program Manager Tonilee Hanson’s administrative support. SAJB contributes \$1,500 annually toward IWAC’s administration and invoices for the additional cost of services. \$2,500.00
- Anne Francis Web Design technical support \$ 40.00
- Kayla Wakulich – Drippy the Water Drop \$ 1,000.00 (first half of project)
- Stop payment check #3513 \$ 30.00

Mike Galante moved to accept the Treasurer’s report as submitted and Rick Neal seconded the motion. President Kegley called for a vote and the motion carried unanimously.

Old Business (continued)

IWAC Budget – A review of IWAC’s expenditures will be made and drafting a budget will be part of the next IWAC working session in 2018.

Drippy the Water Drop – No update was available.

New Business

Spokane River Forum (SRF) Conference - Results and Next Steps - Three hundred and fifty people attended the Our Gem Symposium and the Spokane River Forum Conference. The IWAC sponsored plenary session on Water Rights provided a provocative legal perspective on adjudication and water allocation. Phil Cerner and Laura Laumatia passionately expressed the Coeur d’Alene tribal perspective that water and the lake are part of the tribe’s origin and religion. It is not clear what the next steps are, except to continue bringing awareness to this vital discussion.

“Irrigation Design Standards” – Next Steps - President Kegley acknowledged the Moscow/Pullman Wisescape® Guide Book as an excellent resource for water conservation practices. The Guide can be viewed at <https://www.iwac.us/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Wisescape-Guidebook-FINALlowres.pdf>

President Kegley opened the discussion of “Next Steps” by sharing his plan to work with the City of Spokane Parks Department to upgrade watering practices and redesign the system from pulling hoses to higher efficiency irrigation practices. Discussion followed including:

- Fort Collins, CO has developed progressive irrigation design standards that may provide a model to design irrigation standards our region.
- The Hirst decision may act as a catalyst for changing requirements of green space in developments, yard sizes and the use of graywater.
- Use tiered rates to make it more expensive to use more water.
- If WA cities take the lead in water conservation it could be viewed favorably in ID.
- ID and WA water purveyors have different needs based on current ordinances and practices.
- Consider a phased in approach or a menu of options for user groups such as: businesses, schools (example - Westwood Middle School), parks, developers, home owners, and municipalities.
- IWAC could contract with KSPS to develop an Irrigation Design Standards video. The IWAC Video Project would develop an education and awareness video focused on 1) water conservation, 2) safety and 3) economic growth. The video would educate residential, commercial, governmental and industrial irrigators on the need for water conservation in irrigation practices and look at water resources in the region. The video would promote 1) Water Conservation - installing efficient irrigation systems, no watering in the heat of the day and incorporating Wisescape® landscaping design principles; 2) Health and Safety – proper back flow installation and annual testing; Water Quality - reducing sprinkler overspray to keep pesticides and herbicides out of the storm drains, the aquifer & river; and 3) the potential for continued economic growth in our region by implementing regional Irrigation Design Standards and supporting resource stewardship.

Agenda for January 9, 2018 Meeting – Working session on Irrigation Design Standards recommendations and 2018 Budget.

Adjourn

There being no further business this 12th day of December 2017, President Kegley adjourned the meeting at 3:30 pm.

President Dan Kegley

Vice President Terry Pickel

Handouts sent via e-mail: IWAC Agenda, IWAC October Meeting Minutes, Treasurer’s Report, Previous IWAC meeting agendas, minutes, supporting documents and presentations can be found at <http://www.iwac.us/category/meetings/>.