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Our Water. Our Future.

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.

June 14, 2022, 1:36 – 2:45 PM, via Zoom Representatives Present

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AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions – IWAC President Terry Pickel called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

Agenda Additions or Revisions – No additions or revisions were requested.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – President Pickel called for additions or corrections to the May 10, 2022, meeting minutes. The May meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

Financial Report – IWAC Treasurer Ron Wilson sent the June financial report which showed a Mountain West Bank balance as of 5/31/22 of \$28,717.33. Accounts payable included check #3819 for web hosting services. The financial report was approved by consensus. The 2022 IWAC Membership renewals have been mailed.

Old Business

Aggregate Quarry Risk Assessment and Source Water Protection Grant Update – SAJB President Jeremy Jenkins reported that a new Department of Health Division of Drinking Water Source Water Protection Manager, Nikki Guillot, has been named and will be the contact for the grant. The GSI Water Solutions Risk Assessment work is expected to begin in July.

2022 Aquifer Atlas Update – The Aquifer Atlas update committee is meeting twice a month to keep the process moving forward. The Atlas Roundup spread sheet of due dates was shared with IWAC members.

Outdoor Watering Nerds Website ARP Grant Proposal – SAJB and SRF worked together to submit a Spokane County American Rescue Plan Water Conservation grant. The grant would fund completion of the Outdoor Watering Nerds website, a rebate program for upgrading sprinkling systems and a media campaign. Rebates of up to \$200 would be available for smart timers, soil sensors, rain sensors, retrofitting sprinkler heads with efficient MP Rotator heads, hose nozzles, and more. SAJB would work with irrigation companies to promote the rebate program.

Discussion: Should IWAC resume in-person meetings? Discussion ideas included:

- If IWAC returns to in-person, hybrid meetings with a zoom option are requested.
- The meeting location could change every month to visit a variety of purveyors.
- Spokane County Water Resource Center is available and can do a hybrid meeting.
- IWAC will continue Zoom meetings through the summer construction season. The September meeting will be held in-person and via Zoom at the CDA Water Department.

New Business

2022 Media Campaign – [Talk Fast Social](#) Erica Norris presented ideas for an IWAC media campaign and suggestions for improving IWAC’s Facebook page and website. Ideas included:

- IWAC brand awareness campaign leading visitors to the IWAC website.
- Add a landing page to IWAC’s website for Summer Water Conservation
- Need to refresh the IWAC Facebook page
- Facebook Organic posting to build a following
- Ad campaign geofencing ID and WA
- Building a humorous 30-45 second video
- Meta and Tick Tock have moved the media industry to a vertical video format. IWAC’s existing videos are all horizontal.

IWAC members discussed the various ideas with Erica and requested a media campaign proposal. Volunteers for a media campaign committee include President Pickel, Dan Kegley, Catherine Cronin and Tonilee Hanson.

DEQ Source Water Protection Grant – Tonilee Hanson contacted Curtis Cooper, IDEQ Source Water Protection Coordinator. Curtis shared that IDEQ is ready to announce the grants, but does not have the funding in-house. There is no firm date on when the funds will be available nor when the grant program start date will be.

Updates Around the Table

BiJay Adams, LLSWD, will present irrigation efficiency at the Kootenai County Master Gardeners class on 7/26/22 at 6:00 pm. The class will be held at the CDA Library. BiJay also offered to begin the Irrigation and Landscape Design Roadshows again that were interrupted due to the coronavirus.

Rick Neal, Model Irrigation, shared that a new well being installed by a developer is delayed due to parts that are not available. The developer is also having problems finding meter setters.

Doug Greenlund, Spokane Water Dept., shared that the drought response water conservation ordinance was approved by the Spokane City Council. Watering will be restricted to before 10:00 am or after 6:00 pm and watering days from June 1st to September 30th will be assigned as M-W-F or Tu-Th-S based on even or odd house numbers. Implementation will focus on education first with enforcement beginning in 2023 or 2024.

Alyssa Gersdorf, Post Falls Water Dept., shared that they have been dealing with an afterhours water main break and entering backflow test certifications into a new data base.

Chris Beard, Ecology, shared that there is no new information about the City of Airway Heights request for new water rights. Also, due to the amount of rain this season the Little Spokane River may be ok.

Terry Pickel, CDA Water Dept., shared that work on a water main along the Centennial Trail will begin in August and a new well site is being developed. No new information was available about the CDA Lake and water rights adjudication.

Adjourn - There being no further business this 14th day of June 2022, President Pickel adjourned the meeting at 3:00 pm.

President Terry Pickel

Vice President, Bijay Adams

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