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A Board of Directors Meeting of the Galena Ground Water District (District) was held on December 6th 2016 at 11:00 AM at the Community Library in Ketchum, ID.

~ Approved 01-03-2017 ~

1. Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum

Chairman Pat McMahon called meeting to order at 11:01. Directors Karl Nichols, Judd McMahan and Legal Counsel Jim Laski and Heather O’Leary present.

2. Proof of Notice

Notice posted November 30, 2016

3. Approval of Minutes

November 1, 2016 Minutes motioned to approved by Karl and seconded by Judd, passed unanimously.

4. List of rights vis-à-vis county billing/GIS Billing/Engineering

Inventory of Galena GWD members is progressing. There are discrepancies between Blaine County parcel numbers and IDWR POD’s/POU’s that are taking longer to sort.

5. Engineering Update

IDWR ran a model calibration and with various curtailment scenarios at the request of South Valley GWD. Brockway will update Board in Executive Session.

6. Opt Out Request

Lane Ranch HOA is fulfilling the requirements to opt out of the District as well as one other member is considering.

7. Public Information Request

City of Ketchum has requested the names and water rights of current members of the District. The request is in the process of being satisfied. Due to inconsistencies in the County, IDWR and the District lists, the information may not be accurate.

8. Public Comment

Jim Speck asked about the term sheet given to Big Wood Canal Co. Chairman McMahon received a reply and it is available on request to the [District email](#) – address top of page. Director Nichols noted that the term sheet is a starting point and should be seen as such. Requestors of the term sheet are asked to provide input and concerns to the Board so they can make informed decisions on what members want. Asked if the District would work separately from South Valley Ground Water District, the answer is yes, if needed. How

is the District going to bill in the future? It will use meter readings from the previous year. Chris Bromley representing City of Bellevue (has not joined the District) via phone, made some observations on the term sheet. He sees no specific problems other than there is a “water shortage”. With the District being placed in the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer that is going to create its own momentum and the District needs to start planning and be proactive. Karl asked what Bellevue is thinking, Chris said they are still gathering information. Patty Lousen representing Heatherlands HOA asked if the District was paying for two attorneys present at the meeting, the answer was yes. When asked about the pay rate the answer was \$270/hour for Jim Laski and \$170/hour for Heather O’Leary.

9. Other Business

Pat proposed joining the [Idaho Water Users Association](#). He will report back next meeting on benefits and cost.

10. Next Meeting Date

January 3, 2017 11am in the Community Library Conference Room

11. Legal Issues (Possible Executive Session)

The Board went into Executive Session at 11:58am

12. Adjournment

Adjourned at 1:30pm after Executive Session