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A Board of Directors Meeting of the Galena Ground Water District (District) was held on August 14, 2018, 11:00 a.m. at the Community Library, Ketchum, Idaho

~ Approved 9-4-18 ~

1. Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum
Chairman Pat McMahon called meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. with Director Judd McMahan, Director Karl Nichols, and legal counsel Heather O'Leary present.
2. Proof of Notice
Notice posted 8-10-18
3. Approval of Minutes
Karl motioned to approve Minutes from 7-10-18 meeting, Pat seconded and motion passed unanimously.
4. Calling Party Negotiations
Pat reported on advancements to a draft agreement between the District and the Big Wood and Little Wood Water Users (BWLWWU). There was discussion about the \$50,000 payment by the District and how those funds may be used by the recipients. The Directors were disappointed in the proposed "Turn-Off" date for ground water irrigation and requested a re-draft in order to amend the date. Jim Speck questioned the extent of the water users who would be included in the agreement on behalf of the BWLWWU and which users would be omitted from this agreement, illustrating the limitations of negotiating with individual water users versus an Association of water-right holders. Zach Latham enquired about other agreements in which BWLWWU may be restricted by irrigation acreage. Ongoing discussions with the Cities was discussed and although the new calling party negotiations were of interest to them, no major advancements were reported.
5. Budget Hearing Fiscal 2019
Karl presented the Initial Draft 2019 Budget for the District. Included in the budget is the proposed \$50,000 to be paid to BWLWWU, and a proposed reduction of user fees by 50%. It was noted that Bookkeeping Expenses would be increased by \$5000 in the coming fiscal year. A motion was made by Karl "Any 2017 or 2018 assessment that was mis-assessed on the original IDWR list should be refunded." This motion was seconded by Pat and unanimously approved.
6. Public Comment
None
7. Other Business
None
8. Next Meeting Date
September 4, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at The Community Library
9. Legal Issues (Possible Executive Session)
None
10. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.