

# Galena Groundwater District Regular Meeting Minutes: February 6, 2024

Hybrid: City of Sun Valley Meeting Room and via zoom  
February 6, 2024

Call to Order: 11:03am

In attendance: Pat McMahon (Board), Judd McMahan (Board), Heather O'Leary (GGWD counsel), and Marybeth Collins.

The meeting was called to order at the Sun Valley City Hall & via zoom and quorum was established.

Proof of notice was confirmed (posted at City Hall and online at [www.GalenaGWD.com](http://www.GalenaGWD.com)), having been accomplished in advance of today's regular monthly meeting.

## Minutes:

Minutes for the regular monthly meeting, held on January 2, 2024, were distributed in advance of the meeting.

**MOTION:** Judd motioned to approve as drafted the minutes for January 2, 2024. Pat seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by those present.

## Financials

Financials for January 2024 as well as the drafted audit for 2023 calendar year financials were sent under separate cover and discussed briefly at the meeting. Bookkeeping reviewed the major categories for the financials, reflecting that the Year 2 waiver of the mandatory water purchase was definitive for a positive year end balance, aiding the District in due diligence toward a recommended reserve fund. Brief speculation regarding the current snowfall levels and the cost of water in year 3 occurred. Discussion regarding the accounts receivable occurred. The District has defined its action to pursue past due obligations legally. Assessments collected via the County are considered current, and the District recorded a list of past due assessments with the County as well. This will be sent to all local title entities to provide convenience in the property transfer process. Various accounts payable items were reviewed for clarity and all were approved by the Board.

**MOTION:** Judd motioned to approve the accounts payable list of three vendors. Pat seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Judd motioned to accept the drafted 2023 Financial Statement as presented by the auditor. Pat seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## Public Comment

None.

## BWGWMA Update

Discussion of the existing BWGWMA, and upcoming conversations for an intended agreement renewal. Updated terms were expressed, based on items learned during Year 1 and Year 2. Some reference to the Eastern Snake River Plain was noted. IDWR staff participating will include Matt Weaver (director) and Shelley Keen. Interest in Corey Skinner's involvement was expressed. Several attendance components referenced include CIEF funds and funding, discussion of Rule 161, water right accounting, cost of water (IGWA impacts), all occurred.

Legal Update

Heather sent information to the Board under separate cover.

Executive Session

The Board discussed going into executive session at 11:20 am, with roll call establishing Pat McMahon and Judd McMahan present, confirming quorum.

**MOTION:** To commence Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206(l)(f) was proposed by Pat, seconded by Judd, and passed unanimously by those present.

**MOTION:** To complete Executive Session at 11:40 pm was proposed by Pat, seconded by Judd, and passed unanimously.

No decisions were made.

Other Business

A review of reported water use, by water right, was conducted by GGWD for its members, and this same review will be accomplished for Year 2.

Next Meeting Date

The Board confirmed next meeting to be Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 11am for the next monthly Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52am

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