

June 4, 2024 Minutes Galena Groundwater District Meeting

Hybrid: City of Sun Valley Meeting Room and via zoom
June 4, 2024

Call to Order: 11:01 am

In attendance: Pat McMahon (Board), Judd McMahan (Board), Peter Atkinsons (Board), Dave Bell 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), having been accomplished in advance of today's regular monthly meeting.

Minutes:

Minutes for the regular monthly meeting, held on May 7, 2024, were distributed in advance of the meeting. Judd inquired about advisory committee meetings, and Pat confirmed that based on subcommittees there were a few meetings.

MOTION: Judd motioned to approve as drafted the minutes for May 7, 2024. Peter seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by those present.

Financials

Financials for May 2024 were submitted for review in advance of the meeting. Bookkeeping reviewed the May expenses, and year to date info, discussed the list of accounts receivable and suggested that some consulting expense to be attributable to Agreement expense category. Some follow up to occur, for clarification, with IDWR, and Brockway via counsel. The Board agreed to a "grant" line item update and deferred all action on receivables until counsel is present.

MOTION: Judd motioned to approve the accounts payable list for a total of \$6,259.00. Pat seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

BWGWMA Update

Pat referenced the curtailment recently issued on the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA) where 6 separate groundwater districts have been curtailed for 2024, pending further information. This underlines the Directors' input from earlier in the year to the BWGWM Committee to define a working solution. Briefly, some questions regarding Year 3 expenses and budget were considered. Greater discussion regarding municipal water rights holders was conducted. Pat hopes to establish the renewed agreement with clear goals and clear responsibilities. The June 1st forecast may be a tool, to define some decisions, such as water purchase, etc.

Public Comment

None.

Legal Update

None. Counsel was in attendance at the prehearing conference for the Hiawatha Canal Water Users Ass'n's application for recharge permit on behalf of the District, held at the same time as the Board meeting. Any updates will follow separately.

Elect Board Chair:

MOTION: Pat motioned to approve Judd McMahan as the Board Chair. Peter seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by those present.

Executive Session

None.

Other Business

None.

Next Meeting Date

The Board confirmed next meeting to be Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at 11am for the next monthly Board meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35am, via motion by Judd, seconded by Peter and confirmed unanimously.

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