

# Galena Groundwater District Meeting June 10, 2025 Minutes

Meeting Room at the City of Sun Valley  
June 10, 2025

Call to Order: 11:01 am

In attendance: Judd McMahan (Board), Peter Atkinson (Board), Heather O'Leary and Marybeth Collins.

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

Proof of notice was confirmed (posted on website, local City Hall board) - having been accomplished at least 72 hrs. in advance of today's regular monthly meeting.

## Minutes:

Minutes for the regular monthly meeting, held on May 6, 2025, were distributed in advance of the meeting.

**MOTION: Peter motioned to approve as drafted the minutes for May 6, 2025. Judd seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously, by those present.**

## Open Board Position

Judd and Heather discussed several items, statute parameters for being a board member, recent conversations with entities with water rights, and their management team, inquiry into need for documentation. Each will follow up.

## Financials

Financials for May 2025 were reviewed. Two invoices were received in advance of the Board meeting. Judd provided an item for reimbursement, which can be funded in the July meeting.

**MOTION: Peter motioned to approve the 2 standard payables. Judd seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Judd noted that as the District considers a 2026 budget, the cost of water line item should be evaluated based on an expected increase in cost due to an increase in irrigation water use in the District.

## BWGWMA

Judd provided that he met with Corey Skinner and Shelley Keen, related to the BWGWM Agreement Committee. As part of this conversation, updates regarding Snake River water purchase as an option, AFRD2, vacant positions on the Committee including a Camas Prairie representative. The importance of Galena Groundwater's continued participation was underlined as important.

Fallow was discussed, including purchasing water rights, purchasing land associated with a water right, surface water rights, rights in the Camas Prairie, etc. General discussion of options, and several ideas for solution, were contributed. Effort to establish fallow for 2026 will be on the short list of action items. Domestic water right changes were referenced.

The 2025 Fallow list was provided to IDWR, as part of the GGWD list of responsibilities, and written confirmation on letterhead will be sent today.

## Public Comment

None.

Legal Update

Heather spoke to the upcoming deadlines, per statute.

Executive Session

The Board discussed going into executive session at 11:39 am, with roll call establishing Peter Atkinson and Judd McMahan present, confirming quorum.

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

MOTION: To complete Executive Session at 11:48am was proposed by Peter, seconded by Judd, and passed unanimously.

No update, no decisions.

Next Meeting Date

The first Tuesday in July is July 1, 2025, and the regular meeting at 11:00am on July 1<sup>st</sup> is set.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50am via motion by Peter, seconded by Judd and confirmed unanimously.

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