

**VALLEY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
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**FEBRUARY IN-PERSON 209 N IDAHO ST, CASCADE - ZOOM HYBRID MINUTES**  
**THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2023 9:00 A.M. IN-PERSON/ZOOM HYBRID MEETING**

**Members Present:** Art Troutner, Bill Leaf, John Lillehaug and Colt Brown

**Members Absent and Excused:** None

**Others Online:** Kala Golden, IDWR; Bill Lillibridge, P.E. ISWCC; Lenard Long, FoLC (exited meeting at 10 a.m. to attend IDEQ Water Quality Workshop in Boise; Jason Dobis, BOR; Jordan Messner, IDFG; Cynda Herrick, Valley Co. Planning & Zoning; Ron Brooks, NRCS Team Lead Area; Meghan Brooksher, ISWCC; Judy Anderson  
**9:05 A.M. Call to Order** (No Executive Session)

**Action Item:** Bill Leaf moved to approve and sign January 5, 2023 minutes with draft minutes emailed to board for review. Colt Brown seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Kayla Golden, IDWR attended to identify any initial questions or concerns that Board would like addressed at the February 6, 10 a.m. IDWR and Idaho Power Cloud Seeding Introduction for Valley County Commissioners. Durena advised that Cynda Herrick Planning and Zoning provided the land use application form required by the county for placement of cloud seeding equipment
2. Supervisors will attend the February 6, 9 a.m. Valley County Waterways Management Plan update and discussion with Valley County Commissioners and Sheriff's Department. There are some issues of enforceability and costs of implementing the plans recommendations.
3. Guests and Guest Organization introductions and updates:
  - a. Valley County P & Z, Cynda Herrick provided CUP review for the applications listed below.
  - b. Ron Brooks, NRCS
  - c. Meghan Brooksher, ISWCC advised ICWF reviewing applications. Next step would be project site visits/project presentation if selected by IWCF. ISWCC budget currently being presented to JFAC, District should know in March for WQPA funding. Possible funding of two projects per district. Priority given to districts that did not have any funded projects for WQPA last year. Commission is currently reviewing WQPA application procedures. Meghan also promoted Soil Health Symposium, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> at Four Rivers Cultural Center in Ontario, Oregon, registration at Payette SWCD's website. Although a highly regarded, worthwhile symposium, VSWCD Supervisors will not be attending this year.
  - d. Jordan Messner expressed frustration with unauthorized pond installations diverting water from natural, public systems for private use.
4. Durena advised that District has had recent requests for landowner pivot conversion projects; USBR inquiries regarding Hot Springs WMA fence project; and Roseberry Irrigation Districts Project development update from Bill Lillibridge.
5. **Action Item:** John Lillehaug moved to officially recognize Pam Pace and Lenard Long, FoLC, as VSWCD Associate Supervisors. Colt Brown seconded with all in favor.

**Executive Session, Action Item:** Supervisors entered executive session at 11:25 a.m.

6. Bill Leaf moved to appoint Judy Anderson to the filling the open Board Supervisor vacancy, for the remainder of Paul Kleint's term which will be up for re-election in 2024. John Lillehaug seconded and the motion carried with all in favor, none opposed. Valley Soil & Water is now operating with a full Board of volunteer Supervisors. Durena will contact Commission with new Supervisor appointment.

**BUSINESS:**

1. USBR WaterSMART CWMP NFPR Watershed Coalition update (added to 5yr/annual plans)
2. Legislative Social and District Display Day report and comments for Legislator Matt Bundy
3. IASCD Division III Spring Meeting February 16<sup>th</sup> American Legion Hall
4. Irrigation District 65 Meeting recap
5. Supervisors had no changes to Five-Year and Annual Plan review or task assignment revisions—Board Certification and Signature, will be a March agenda Action Item
6. ISWCC Request for Technical Assistance 100 Hrs Bill Lillibridge, 100 Hrs Meghan Brooksher

**FINANCIAL ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **Action Item:** John Lillehaug moved to accept and file Treasurer's Report: QB register reports, bank reconciliations for January 31, 2023 General account with no activity in the 319 account including Board approved recurring payments include Ziplly Fiber, NPERS, PERSI and Payroll Processing (includes payroll

payment to US Treasury and quarterly payroll payments by Central Mountain CPA) Bill Leaf seconded and motion carried with all in favor.

2. **Action Item:** John Lillehaug moved to approve and pay Southwest RC&D Dues for \$50. Bill Leaf seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. John moved to pay IDEA annual dues for \$60 Colt Brown seconded and motion carried with all in favor. John Lillehaug moved to pay Supervisor IASCD Division III meeting lunches for 7 (\$140) and District Door Prize. Colt Brown seconded and motion passed with all in favor.

**P & Z FEBRUARY 9 AGENDA 6 P.M., VALLEY CO COURT HOUSE:**

CUP 22-09 Tamarack Resort PUD Phase 3.3 Osprey Meadows Estates=Final Plat

CUP 22-55 Jug Mtn Ranch PUD Phase 3B 12 lots, individual septic, existing central water system, 29.37 acres

CUP 22-57 Lamon Multiple Residences, 320 Acre Parcel, 3 Individual Septic and Wells

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

**Upcoming Events:**

*February 2 IDEQ Annual Water Workshop UI MOSS Lake Cascade HAB Mitigation 1:00 pm.; NRCS Maureen Pepper 4:20*

*February 6 Valley Co Commissioner meetings: 9 a.m. Valley County Waterways Management Plan*

*10 a.m. Cloud Seeding Introduction IDWR and Idaho Power*

*February 9 6 p.m. Planning & Zoning Meeting; Soil Health Symposium, registration on Payette SWCD website*

*February 14<sup>th</sup> Little Salmon River Watershed Collaborative final meeting 11-3 New Meadows Community Center*

*February 16<sup>th</sup> Division III Spring Meeting KWP Welcome center and American Legion Hall 10 a.m.*

*March 20-24 Spring Break*

*March 31 Five Year & Annual Plan, ISWCC Request for Assistance due (Plan submitted by March 15)*

*Board Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.*

**Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Approved: March 2, 2023**

**Minutes prepared by Durena Farr, District Manager**