

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Moscow, Facilities Services Center, Ponderosa Meeting Room, 2:00 PM

**Attendance**

	UI: Alan Kolok, IWRRI, Director	X	WSU: Dan Costello (Vice-Chair), Assistant VP, Facilities Services
X	UI: Eugene Gussenhoven Utilities and Engineering Director		WSU: Todd Plotner, Quality Assurance Officer, Facilities
	Moscow: Tyler Palmer (Chair) Deputy Director Operations	X	Pullman: Clayton Forsmann Deputy Director of Public Works
X	Moscow: Jim Boland, City Council Member	X	Pullman: Kevin Gardes, Director of Public Works
X	Moscow: Les MacDonald, Director of Public Works		Pullman: Pat Wright City Council Member
X	Latah County: Paul Kimmell, County Representative		Whitman County: Mark Storey, Director of Public Works
X	Latah County: Tom Lamar, County Commissioner	X	Whitman County: Art Swannack, County Commissioner

Visitors and Others:

Robin Nimmer, Alta Science and Engineering; David Hall, Palouse Water Conservation Network; Steve Robischon (on phone), PBAC; Korey Woodley, PBAC.

Action items indicated by: \*\*

Action items where vote is required indicated by: \*\*\*

**Call to Order:**

Dan Costello called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM. Costello conducted introductions.

**1) Approval of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

Dan Costello asked Woodley to update the section discussing the WSU water rights application to make it clear that WSU is moving its orchard location from Tukey Orchard to Spillman Farms. Paul Kimmell made a motion to approve September 2018 meeting minutes with the changes suggested by Costello. The motion was second by Clayton Forsmann. \*\*\*September 2018 draft meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

## 2) Public Comment for Items not on Agenda: None

- **Presentations/Discussion: Palouse Water Alternatives Project Update – Ben Floyd:** Floyd summarized work completed from scope one of the project and proposed new work to be approved and completed. He presented an updated timeline and updated proposal (attached below). Feedback was given from the PBAC Research Subcommittee on the proposal before being shared with the full committee. A couple committee members expressed interest in exploring a Clearwater diversion alternative. Floyd mentioned that reviewing a Clearwater Diversion alternative is within the updated project proposal. Doug Jones said he would get more information about the minimum stream flows along the Clearwater and get that information to Woodley. Floyd mentioned that we consider Water Smart grant funding in the future help pay for some of this effort. Costello stated that he wanted a timeline like the one presented in part so PBAC members can see what future costs are ahead. Costello suggested that committee members should consider voting on the extension (scope two) of this project at this meeting. Committee members asked Floyd to use the PBAC fiscal year in future financial documents and timelines. \*\*\*Gussenhoven made a motion to approve \$70,627 out of the PBAC research budget for Part Two of the Palouse Groundwater Basin Water Supply Alternatives proposal as presented to the committee. Gardes second the motion. The motion passed by consensus. Kimmell suggested that we discuss the citizen advisory group information at the next PBAC meeting.

## 3) Unfinished Business

- **Subcommittee updates**
  - **Research – Dan Costello:** Costello said there was no new news to report.
  - **Communications – Paul Kimmell:** Kimmell shared the PBAC Research Colloquium report (attached below). He thanked Josh Palmer for his great work facilitating the event. Kimmell highlighted that there was a great group of researchers present from a variety of disciplines related to water. Kimmell asked committee members for feedback and committee members agreed that the event was successful and helpful in creating next steps for connecting with the regional water research community. Kimmell passed around the updated (2017) PBAC communication action plan (attached below). Kimmell said that Floyd and himself are working on structuring a citizens advisory group and that he would share an update at the next PBAC meeting. Kimmell also mentioned that the Water Summit was a great event. Woodley is processing the scorecards from the event. Woodley asked if committee members appreciated the new structure of the annual report. Les MacDonald mentioned that he didn't like the changes because he wanted to see all the individual entity figures within the report.
  - **Budget Committee – Eugene Gussenhoven:** Gussenhoven mentioned that we need to consider how we will show progress to our funding entities. He emphasized that we could start updating the financials report to have more project details.

**4) Budget – Korey Woodley:**

- **Budget Report:** Woodley presented the budget as of October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**5) Other Reports and Announcements as Time Allows –**

- **Next PBAC Meeting – Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 2:00 PM.**

**6) Adjourn at 3:41 PM**

**Korey Woodley, PBAC Executive Manager**