

**DRAFT MINUTES**

Thursday, March 21, 2024, 2:00 PM
UI, FACILITIES SERVICES CENTER, JACK’S CREEK Room 151

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1. Introductions

**X:** In-person attendance **V:** Video attendance

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| **v** | Pullman: Cara Haley City Engineer | **x** | Moscow: Tyler Palmer (Chair) Deputy Director, Public Works & Services |
|  | Pullman: Sean Wells Public Works Director |  | Moscow: Michael Parker Water Utility Manager |
| **x** | Pullman: Nathan Weller City Council Member |  | Moscow: Gina Taruscio City Council Member |
|  | Whitman County: Mark Storey Public Works Director/County Engineer | **x** | Latah County: Paul Kimmell County Representative |
|  | Whitman County: Tom Handy County Commissioner | **x** | Latah County: Tom Lamar County Commissioner  |
| **x** | WSU: Jeff Lannigan (Vice-Chair) Facilities Services | **x** | UI: Lana Cohen Research Associate |
|  | WSU: Jason Sampson Asst Director, Environmental Services |  | UI: Rusty Vineyard Director of Facilities  |
|  | WA, Dept of Ecology: Patrick Cabbage Unit Supervisor/Hydrogeologist | **v** | ID, Water Resources: Michelle Richman Regional Manager/Staff Engineer |
| **v** | WA, Dept of Ecology: Chris Beard Hydrogeologist | v | ID, Water Resources: Daniel Sturgis Hydrogeologist |

Others in attendance: Elieen MacColl, Josilyn Watson, Steve Robischon, Robin Nimmer (Alta), Mike Faupel, Nicole Fletcher (Jacobs), David Hall, Colt Shelton (JUB), Ken Clark, Nicole Guthrie (Alta)

1. Approval of Minutes from February 15, 2024 meeting
	1. Motioned Lannigan, Second Weller, passed 2:03 pm
2. Public Comment for Items not on Agenda - none
3. Unfinished Business
	1. Update on IWRB funding – Tyler provided an update on the IWRB meeting earlier in the day

**\*vote** on Alta proposal for re-evaluation of water supply alternatives – motioned Cohen, seconded Lannigan, passed unanimously 2:16 pm

* 1. WDOE funding opportunity update – PBAC missed this and will be alert for future similar opportunities
1. New Business
	1. Follow-ups to PBAC/IDWR meeting
2. Presentations & Discussion
	1. Steve Robischon presented 2023 pumping results
		1. It was demonstrated that Pullman’s irrigation ordinance has been successful in reducing water usage
	2. Josilyn Watson presented on her water conservation outreach on behalf of PBAC and AmeriCorps
3. Subcommittee Reports
	1. Interagency Agreement and Bylaws – update on entity MOA agreements
		1. Ad hoc subcommittee is circulating new agreement and some necessary bylaws revisions, Tyler requested any additional comments be submitted by Friday, March 29
	2. Budget
		1. budget report
			1. Rusty not available, he and Mike reviewed earlier in the week
			2. Fyi – Rusty is leaving UI effective April 30, his PBAC seat will be replaced by Lee Espey on an interim basis
	3. Communications -
	4. Technical – Met earlier in the day
		1. Jeff Langman proposal – tabled until later April at the earliest
		2. South Fork Palouse River gage – not necessary at this time. SR presented an analysis demonstrating a high correlation between SF Palouse River and Paradise turbidity
		3. Alta proposal for re-evaluation of water supply alternatives – recommended to approve contract – vote was earlier
		4. Alta 2024 well monitoring contract – recommended for approval

**\*vote** – motioned Haley, seconded Kimmel, Passed unanimously 3:12 pm

1. Other Reports and Announcements
	1. City of Pullman public forum will be held April 16 regarding the city’s water efficiency goals, all interested parties are encouraged to attend
2. Next PBAC Meeting:
	1. Thursday, April at 2:00 PM
3. Adjourn 3:18 pm