



Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission

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IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING & TELECONFERENCE

Date and Time:

Wednesday, March 4, 2020
10:02 AM – 2:03 PM MT

Location:

322 E. Front St., IDWR Conf. Rm 602C
Boise, Idaho 83702

MINUTES

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Norman Wright (Chair) (teleconference)	Cathy Roemer (Vice-Chair)
Erik Olson (Secretary)	Jerry Trebesch
Wendy Pratt (teleconference)	

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:

Teri Murrison	Crystal Rosen
Corrine Dalzell	Jill Young
Delwyne Trefz	Terry Hoebelheinrich
Chuck Pentzer	Loretta Strickland (teleconference)
Bill Lillibridge (teleconference)	Brad Shelton (teleconference)
Jon Beals (teleconference)	Eileen Rowan (teleconference)
Brian Reed (teleconference)	George Hitz (teleconference)
Rob Sharpnack (teleconference)	

PARTNERS AND GUESTS PRESENT:

J. Kent Foster, Ada SWCD	Paul Calverley, Ada SWCD
Josie Erskine, Ada SWCD	Jessica Harrold, Ada SWCD
Sandi Kreke, NRCS	Curtis Elke, NRCS
Shantel Chapple Knowlton, OAG	Darrell Early, OAG
Nate Fisher, Gov. Office (teleconference)	Wendy Green, Adams SWCD (teleconference)
Amanda Grant, Lewis SCD (teleconference)	Chuck Kiester, Owyhee SCD (teleconference)
Karol Holthaus, Lewis SCD (teleconference)	Karma Brag, Custer SWCD (teleconference)
Robbie Taylor, IDEA (teleconference)	Benjamin Kelly, IASCD (teleconference)
Bob Minton, Lemhi SWCD (teleconference)	Dominique Kramer, Camas SCD (teleconference)
Kirk Vickery, Gem SWCD (teleconference)	Ralph Thier, Valley SWCD (teleconference)

Denise Galling, Yellowstone SCD (teleconference)
Clinton Aston, Franklin SWCD (teleconference)
Devin Fielding, N. Bingham SCD (teleconference)
Elaine Sonnen, Idaho SWCD (teleconference)
Stephanie Barnes, Butte SWCD (teleconference)
Frances Perkes, Butte SWCD (teleconference)
Karla Freeman, Kootenai-Shoshone SWCD (teleconference)
Tim Roehr, Clearwater SWCD (teleconference)
Molly McCann, Ponderay Basin Commission (teleconference)

ITEM #1: WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Wright called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Roll call: Chairman Norman Wright, Commissioners Cathy Roemer, Jerry Trebesch, Erik Olson, and Wendy Pratt were present.

Chairman Wright requested Vice-Chair Roemer to facilitate the meeting.

ITEM #2: PARTNER REPORTS

Action: None taken

ITEM #3a: AGENDA REVIEW

Action: None taken.

ITEM #4a: DISCUSSION OF PENDING LEGISLATION TO DISSOLVE THE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to *approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign a response letter to the IASCD letter dated February 28, 2020*. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #5: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to *enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(f) for the purpose of discussing pending litigation or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated with legal counsel*. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Meeting recessed at 12:30 PM.

Meeting reconvened in Executive Session at 12:37 PM.

Commissioner Wright left the meeting at 1:01 PM.

Executive Session ended at 1:35 PM

Open Session reconvened at 1:39 PM

ITEM #5a: PENDING LITIGATION

Action: Commissioner Trebesch made a motion to *authorize settlement agreement negotiations to proceed in accordance with the recommendation of legal counsel*. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #4a: DISCUSSION OF PENDING LEGISLATION TO DISSOLVE THE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to *reopen item #4a: Discussion of pending legislation to dissolve the Soil and Water Conservation Commission*. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to *authorize the chairman to sign a response letter to IASCD's letter based upon the discussion that took place during the meeting concerning the contents of said letter*. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #7: ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 PM. The next Regular Commission Meeting will be on April 9, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Erik Olson, Secretary

