

Yamhill Regional Water Authority (YRWA)
Commission Meeting
November 17, 2020 at 10:00 am
McMinnville Water & Light, 855 NE Marsh Lane, McMinnville, Oregon
Meeting conducted electronically via Zoom

MINUTES

Call to Order

Ed Gormley called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

Roll Call

YRWA Commissioners/Alternate Representatives Present:

Ed Gormley, YRWA Chair, McMinnville Water & Light Commission Member
Doug Cook, City Councilor, City of Lafayette
Christy Martinez, Interim City Manager, City of Carlton

Others Present:

John Dietz, YRWA General Manager and McMinnville Water & Light General Manager
Trena McManus, Community Relations Coordinator, McMinnville Water & Light
James Burke, Water Division Director, McMinnville Water and Light

Approval of Minutes

Doug Cook made a **motion** to accept the minutes of the September 15, 2020 meeting. Christy Martinez seconded the motion and the minutes were **accepted** as presented.

Update on Water Rights Purchase

James Burke said that the MW&L Commission will be considering an extension of the contract with Groundwater Solutions, Inc. (GSI) through December 31, 2021 to allow time to complete the application process for the water right transfer with the State of Oregon- Water Resources Division.

Willamette Stored Water Allocation

John Dietz stated that the Willamette Reallocation Subcommittee is working with congressional leaders in an effort to protect the current M&I (Municipal and Industrial) allocation of the Willamette Stored Water allocation and also lobby for a reallocation of up to 10% of the Willamette Stored Water for M&I use. The subcommittee is requesting funds in the amount of \$3,782 from YRWA to continue these efforts at the federal level. The breakdown of the costs would be: \$3,048 for MW&L, \$274 for Carlton, and \$460 for Lafayette.

There was a motion by Doug Cook, second by Christy Martinez and passed by a unanimous vote to authorize the payment of \$3,782 for the federal engagement work (coordinated by the Willamette Reallocation Subcommittee) on the reallocation efforts of the Willamette Stored Water Allocation.

River Data

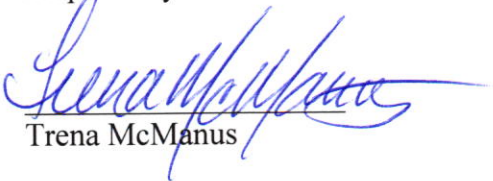
The river data for the period of September 1, 2020-November 15, 2020 was distributed, and there were no days where river flows were below the fish flow target levels.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The group agreed that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 10:00 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 am.

Prepared by:


Trena McManus

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