

# Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - December 20, 2023

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order by Commissioner Reinke at 2:15 pm.

## Present:

### **Executive Committee**

Brent Reinke – Twin Falls County Ron Buhler – Gooding County Nathan Schutte – Lincoln County

#### Commissioners

Dan Schaeffer - Minidoka County

#### **Commission Members**

Lew Pence – Chair - Gooding Roger Morley – Executive Director Bethany Muffley – Executive Asst. Duane Turner – TF P&Z Dan Suhr - Jerome Arlen Morgan – Jerome Dean Edgar - Cassia

## Agency/Other

Steve Hines - Uofl Ext. - Jerome

Commissioner Reinke began with an explanation that this meeting is intended to cover our bases in relation to adhering to Idaho Open Meetings Laws with the executive votes taken at the November 15<sup>th</sup> commission meeting.

The first item addressed was a pay increase for executive director services at an increase in \$200 for a total of \$750/month (\$9000 per year). Commissioner Reinke asked if there was any discussion on that topic. Commissioner Schutte offered that he sees this as an acceptable compensation. Commissioner Schutte made a motion to proceed, and Commissioner Buhler seconded with all in favor.

The second item discussed was the allocation of funds to employ an executive assistant who would serve in a secretarial and outreach capacity. Commissioner Reinke asked Bethany to display the spreadsheet that shows where those funds would be distributed from. Bethany indicated that this position would be based at \$20/hr, not to exceed 20hrs/month (\$4,800/year). Funding for this position would be accessed out of the commission's reserve which was currently estimated at ~\$21,000 and earmarked for special projects. Commissioner Reinke asked for discussion on that item. Hearing none, Commissioner Schutte made a motion to approve conditional fund allocation for an executive assistant for the amount of \$4800 per year. Commissioner Buhler seconded it with all in favor.

The third item discussed was making official the previous appointment of Roger Morley. Commissioner Buhler made a motion to appoint Roger Morley as Executive Director for the Middle Snake Regional Water Resource Commission, and Commissioner Schutte seconded it with all in favor. Commissioner Reinke asked when Roger had begun taking the lead in commission activities. Bethany indicated it as November 15<sup>th</sup> after the last commission meeting. Commissioner Reinke indicated that retroactively, Roger Morley should be appointed as Executive Director as of November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. A motion to accept the retroactive appointment was made and seconded with all in favor.

Commissioner Reinke asked if there was any additional business, hearing none, Commissioner Schutte motioned to adjourn, and Commissioner Buhler seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 2:22pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Bethany Muffley, Executive Assistant