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March 30, 2010

Laurie Small
PO Box 65
Dubois ID 83423

RE: Water District No. 31, 32-C, 32-D

Dear Secretary / Treasurer:

We acknowledge receipt of the Minutes of the Annual Watermaster's Election Meeting held in your district. The Watermaster Certificate will be sent under separate cover.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dennis Dunn
Senior Water Right Agent

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Clark County Auditor and Recorder
C/O Carol Hoopes
PO Box 205
Dubois ID 83423

RE: Water District No. #31, 32-C and 32-D

Dear Treasurer / Auditor:

Enclosed please find copies of the Adopted Budget and Minutes of the above Water District. They have been read and approved by this office.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Respectfully submitted,

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March 23, 2010

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Laurie Snall
PO Box 65
Dubois ID 83423

RE: Secretary / Treasurer Appointment for Water District 31, 32C and 32D

Dear Laurie:

A treasurer is not required if the County Treasurer provides collection and payment services for the district. The District must elect a treasurer if the Water District collects and pay expenses on its own, or if the county collects expenses but does not provide payment of expenses. Prior to assuming the duties of office, a treasurer must complete an Oath of Office and sign it before a notary and return the oath to the Department of Water Resources if their adopted budget is over \$3000.00 a year. The State will issue a certificate to the treasurer confirming an appointment once the signed and notarized has been received.

Any Water District having an annual budget of \$3000.00 or less may adopt a resolution at the annual meeting to authorize the Watermaster to serve as Water District Treasurer. Only one Oath of Office is required if the Watermaster also serves as treasurer. Watermasters in Water District with annual budges exceeding \$3000.00 shall not be authorized to act as Water District treasurer.

If your budget is over \$3000.00, please sign the enclosed Oath of Office in front of a notary and return to us as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharla Cox
Administrative Assistant

Enclosure

**WATER DISTRICT 32-C
MEDICINE LODGE CREEK
Dubois, Clark County, Idaho**

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2010

In accordance with the provisions of the Idaho Code setting the date of the annual meeting for the Water District, the users of Water District 32-C met this day at 3:00 p.m. at the Clark County Annex Bldg. in Dubois, Idaho, for the purpose of electing a Watermaster, Chairman and Secretary, adopting a budget, fixing the salary of the Watermaster and Secretary, and transacting such other business that might come before the meeting pertaining to the irrigation water of the District.

Those in attendance were: Tod Shenton, Lee Small, Garth Ashcraft, Brion Egan, Brock Egan, Sid Brown, Derik Bell, Dave Leonardson, Greg Shenton, Watermaster; Brett Murdock, Deputy Watermaster; and Laurie Small, Secretary.

Chairman Tod Shenton called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

ADOPTING PROPOSED AGENDA

Chairman Tod Shenton presented the agenda for the meeting as listed below:

- Review the Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Nomination & Election of Chairman & Secretary
- Nomination & Election of Credentials Committee
- Watermaster's Report
- Budget Approval
- Election of Watermaster
- Review & Adoption of Resolutions
- IDWR Report
- Other Business
- Next Annual Meeting Date & Time
- Adjournment

Brion Egan moved and Sid Brown seconded that the proposed agenda be adopted. The motion passed.

MINUTES

The Chairman entertained a motion to approve the 2009 minutes. Garth Ashcraft moved that the minutes be approved as written. Brion Egan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Chairman asked for nominations from the floor for the office of Chairman and Secretary. Sid Brown made the motion that Tod Shenton continue as Chairman and Laurie Small as secretary. Brock Egan seconded the motion. Tod Shenton nominated Brock Egan as Chairman. Tod Shenton moved nominations cease. Brion Egan seconded the motion. Motion passed. Tod Shenton entertained a motion on how to proceed with the voting process. Brock Egan moved that vote be done by show of hands. Dave Leonardson seconded the motion. Motion passed. Tod Shenton called for show of hands in favor of Brock Egan. Five were in favor of Brock. Tod Shenton called for a show of hands in favor of himself. Three were in favor of Tod Shenton. Brock Egan was voted in as Chairman.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Brock waived appointing a Credentials Committee at this time.

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

Deputy Watermaster Brett Murdock, distributed the 2009 Water District 32-C Watermasters report. Deputy Watermaster Brett Murdock then went over each page of the water masters report.

2009 WATER YEAR

The 2009 water delivery 22,760 A.F. of water compared to 20,348 A.F. in the previous year, a difference of 2,412 A.F. of water.

2009-10 SNOW COURSE MEASUREMENT

Snow measurements at Irving Creek were 82% of normal, Weber Creek at 81% of normal, the average of the two creek drainages at 81.5% of normal.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET

Deputy Watermaster Brett Murdock reviewed the 2009 budget, explaining some of the expenditures. Brett then presented the 2010 proposed budget. Brett reviewed the USGS measurements with the water users. There was discussion from the group on the Medicine Lodge Bed Loss Measurements.

2009 Adopted Budget

Wastermaster	\$1,800.00				
Deputy	\$5,600.00				
Mileage	\$5,600.00				
Secretary	\$250.00				
FICA Tax	\$650.00				
Insurance (WC)	\$500.00				
Miscellaneous	\$1,470.00				
Cloud Seeding	\$1,000.00				
Retirement	\$800.00				
Office Rent	\$900.00				
USGS Measurements	\$580.00				
Beaver	\$800.00				
TOTAL	\$19,950.00				
2009 Budget	\$19,950.00				
2010 Budget	\$19,950.00				

WATERMASTER'S REPORT & BUDGET APPROVAL

Brock asked for a motion to approve the Watermaster's Report as given. Garth Ashcraft made a motion to approve the Watermaster's Report. Brion Egan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Brock then asked for a motion to adopt the proposed 2010 budget. Tod Shenton made a motion to adopt the proposed 2010 budget. Dave Leonardson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ELECTION OF WATERMASTER

Brock asked for nominations for Watermaster. Brion Egan made the motion Greg Shenton continue as Watermaster. Garth Ashcraft seconded the motion. Motion passed.

RESOLUTIONS

The Chairman then asked the water users to adopt the following resolutions:

Headgates and Weirs

"All control devices and measuring devices shall be in good working order before water can be demanded and delivered. The Watermaster shall not deliver any water unless such devices are in good working order."

Collection of Water Assessments

"That no ditch, canal, or other water user shall have the right to demand and receive water until full payment due is paid. Payment shall become due April 1, 2010, and shall become delinquent May 1, 2010, and if not paid by May 1, 2010, the payment shall bear interest from May 1, 2010, at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum. The Watermaster shall not deliver any water until full payment due is paid."

Watermaster Term of Service

"That the Watermaster shall be elected for a term of one full year. The purpose is so the Watermaster can serve in the legal capacity to do official business for the district in the event of emergencies, legislative actions, hearings, disputes or other water related or job related activities.

The Watermaster cannot be required to make water deliveries before April 1, or after November 1, (the normal irrigation season) unless an emergency exists. The Watermaster shall not be paid before April 1, or after November 1 from water district budgeted regular funds."

Pumping from Creek

"To prohibit any pumping directly from Medicine Lodge Creek as per the motion adopted in 1980, which read as follows: "That no pumping be allowed from Medicine Lodge Creek or its tributaries, without first diverting and measuring water into a private pond or sump, to eliminate any interference with regulation of stream waters."

Calling the Deputy Watermaster to Duty

"That the Deputy Watermaster be called to duty by the Watermaster for the remainder of the season at the request of three water users whose signatures shall authorize said action."

Deputy Term of Service

The Deputy Watermaster shall be called to duty on May 1 to measure, record and regulate waters of Medicine Lodge Creek.

Pooling Agreement

Be it resolved that the water users of Medicine Lodge Creek unanimously agree and direct the Watermaster to continue the practice of water right exchanges, which has been practiced since the formation of the stipulation and agreement dated March 2, 1954. Such practices shall include pooling of waters, rented waters, and exchanges beneficial to the users as a whole. The Watermaster is further directed not to deliver the above mentioned waters to a downstream user, until that water delivery amount (c.f.s.) is assessed a bed loss value to provide that no injury to an existing water right would occur. These losses should be assessed according to the average of U.S.G.S. bed losses measurements.

We further resolve that delivery of the above waters cannot be demanded prior to May 1, unless excess water exits in the stream.

ADOPTING RESOLUTIONS

Dave Leonardson moved and Brion Egan seconded that all resolutions be adopted. Resolutions passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The advisory committee was discussed. Brock said that he would like to appoint Carl Taylor, Derik Bell, Brion Egan, Lynn Hoggan, Tod Shenton and himself as the Advisory Committee.

IDWR REPORT

There was not a report from the IDWR.

OTHER BUSINESS

Brion Egan had concerns about a structure on the creek, south of Lee Small's, that does cause a potential for flooding. No flooding has occurred at this time. Tod Shenton had checked on funding opportunities and reported that Idaho Fish and Game may be the only help available.

There was discussion on the trapping of beaver and beaver dams on Medicine Lodge.

Greg Shenton gave updates on the cloud seeding taking place in the area. He distributed an aerial map of the Upper Snake Cloud Seeding Sites. The manual generators are still in place. Idaho Power has placed 9 remote generators in the area. One of the remote generators is placed in Medicine Lodge.

Brion Egan made a motion to have a declaration of drought letter ready to be sent if needed. Garth Ashcraft seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Brett Murdock asked for a motion to continue water distribution to Whittaker's for stock water. Brion Egan made the motion that water district write a letter to Faye Whittaker to find out if there is other resources for watering the livestock and her opinion on this situation. Tod Shenton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Greg Shenton informed the water users that a phone expense may show on the expenses on the adopted budget.

MEETING TIME

Garth Ashcraft moved that next year's meeting be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 3:00 p.m., at the Clark County Annex Bldg. in Dubois, Idaho. Sid Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Dave Leonardson moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Attest: 
Brock Egan
Chairman

Laurie Small
Secretary