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

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MARCH 12, 2013

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: Greg Shenton, Watermaster; Brett Murdock, Deputy Watermaster; Laurie Small, secretary; Brock Egan, Lynn Hoggan, Sid Brown, Kevin Small, Nathan Leonardson, Rhett Jacobs and Garth Ashcraft.

Chairman Tod Shenton called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

ADOPTING PROPOSED AGENDA

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

Lynn Hoggan moved and Garth Ashcraft seconded that the proposed agenda be adopted. The motion passed.

MINUTES

Chairman Tod Shenton entertained a motion to approve the 2012 minutes. Kevin Small moved that the minutes be approved as written. Sid Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman Tod Shenton asked for nominations from the floor for the office of Chairman and Secretary. Nathan Leonardson nominated Tod Shenton as Chairman and Laurie Small as secretary. Kevin Small seconded the motion. Nathan Leonardson moved that nominations cease. Brock Egan seconded the motion. Motions passed.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Chairman Tod Shenton waived appointing a Credentials Committee unless needed at later time.

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

Deputy Watermaster Brett Murdock, discussed 2012 Water District 32-C Watermaster's report as follows.

2012 WATER YEAR

The 2012 water delivery 18,865 A.F. of water compared to 28,129 A.F. in the previous year, a difference of 9264 A.F. of less water diverted.

2012-13 SNOW COURSE MEASUREMENT

Snow measurements at Irving Creek were 21.8" with 4.1 water content averaging 89% of normal. Weber Creek snow depth was 18.8" with 3.9 water content averaging 81% of normal. The average of the two creek drainages at 85% of normal. Measurement were taken February 28, 2013.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET

Deputy Watermaster Brett Murdock reviewed the 2012 budget, explaining some of the expenditures. Brett then presented the 2013 proposed budget. Brett reviewed the USGS measurements and the Medicine Lodge bed loss measurements with the water users.

2012 Adopted Budget

Wastermaster		\$1,800.00				
Deputy		\$5,600.00				
Mileage		\$6,000.00				
Secretary		\$250.00				
FICA Tax		\$650.00				
Insurance (WC)		\$350.00				
Miscellaneous		\$1,500.00				
Cloud Seeding		\$1,000.00				
Retirement		\$800.00				
Office Rent		\$900.00				
USGS Measurments		\$950.00				
Beaver		\$650.00				
TOTAL		\$20,450.00				
2012 Budget		\$20,350.00				
2013 Budget		\$20,450.00				
Increase		\$100.00				

WATERMASTER'S REPORT & BUDGET APPROVAL

Chairman Tod Shenton asked for a motion to approve the Watermaster's Report and proposed budget. Lynn Hoggan made a motion to approve the Watermaster's Report and proposed budget. Nathan Leonardson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ELECTION OF WATERMASTER

Chairman Tod Shenton asked for nominations for Watermaster. Brock Egan made the motion Greg Shenton continue as Watermaster. Sid Brown seconded the motion. Kevin Small moved nominations cease. Nathan Leonardson seconded the motion. Motions passed.

RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Tod Shenton 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

"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, 2013, and shall become delinquent May 1, 2013, and if not paid by May 1, 2013, the payment shall bear interest from May 1, 2013, 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

"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

"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

"The Deputy Watermaster shall 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

Brock Egan moved and Garth Ashcraft seconded that all resolutions be adopted. Resolutions passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chairman Tod Shenton appointed the following Lynn Hoggan, Rhett Jacobs, Garth Ashcraft, Brock Egan and himself as the Advisory Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

Tod Shenton reported that a new cement diversion had been put on Medicine Lodge on the west side of Small's property replacing old diversion.

Watermaster Greg Shenton discussed the cloud seeding being done in the area. A map showing the placement of the generators was handed out. Idaho Power has been tracking weather patterns with balloons.

Lynn Hoggan made a motion to keep Water District 32-C separate from any other water district. Brock Egan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There was discussion on the diversion on West Cottonwood which feeds Hoolie Springs. The BLM contacted Watermaster Greg Shenton on this issue. The BLM felt that there was an illegal diversion on the creek.

Updates were given on the permit to appropriate water 32-13309 on Marlowe Gobles property. It is being monitored.

There was discussion on the beaver dams. Beaver and beaver dams will cause injury to property and water rights if not addressed.

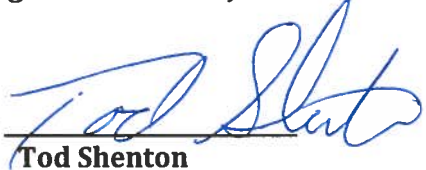
MEETING TIME

Kevin Small moved that next year's meeting be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 3:00 p.m., at the Clark County Annex Bldg. in Dubois, Idaho. Nathan Leonardson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Brion Egan moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Attest:



**Tod Shenton
Chairman**

**Laurie Small
Secretary**