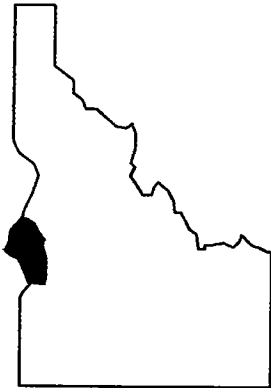


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WATER RESOURCES
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Water District 67

2165 Seid Creek Road
Cambridge, ID 83610

Watermaster: Gerald Myers
355-2345

Chairman: Milton Kerner
549-2795

Secretary: Mary
257-37

February 5, 1998

ANNUAL MEETING OF WATER DISTRICT NO. 67

FEBRUARY 2, 1998

The annual meeting of Water District 67 was called to order at 1:15 p.m. by Milton Kerner at Kay's Cafe on February 2, 1998.

The first order of business was to ask for nominations for chairman. Paul Striker nominated Milton Kerner, seconded by John Sachtjen. Milton Kerner was elected chairman by unanimous decision.

Vernon Lolley made a motion to elect Mary Ellen Pugh as secretary/treasurer which was seconded by Paul Striker, and the motion carried.

The members of the Credential Committee appointed by the chairman are:

Butch Snorgrass
John Sachtjen
Laurie Chandler
A. G. Salfen
Harmon Horton
Paul Striker

Council
Cambridge
Monroe Creek
Weiser
Midvale
Mann's Creek

Milton Kerner appointed an Advisory Committee for 1997 consisting of himself and:

Ladell Merk
Randy Noah
John Sachtjen
Wendell Walker
Harmon Horton
Paul Striker
Laurie Chandler
A. G. Salfen
John Lewallen

Council
Cambridge
Cambridge
Sunnyside
Midvale
Mann's Creek
Monroe Creek
Weiser
Institute Ditch

John Sachtjen made a motion to elect Gerald Myers as watermaster for 1998, seconded by Vernon Lolley, and the motion carried.

Next Gerald Myers presented the proposed 1997 budget. After some discussion of the budget, it was decided to increase the secretary's salary by \$100 by reducing the deputies' salaries by that amount. John Sachtjen mentioned that the Cambridge receives a very favorable rate for their cell phones and wondered if this would be a good option for the watermaster. Jerry said in the past when the district tried a cell phone, there were too many dead zones; and currently Jerry has a good system worked out. John Sachtjen moved that the budget be accepted, seconded by Vern Lolley, the motion carried unanimously. The budget is attached to these minutes.

Paul Striker made a motion to elect the following people as deputies for the 1997 season:

Bosco Bosler
Norma Ratcliff
Bruce Gochnour
Robert Stringer
Jackie Wray
Jim Brown

Rush Creek
Council
Galloway
Sunnyside
Weiser
Mann's Creek/Monroe Creek

This motion was seconded by Vern Lolley and the motion carried.

Gary Spackman from the Department of Water Resources congratulated Jerry Myers on a job well done. Gary emphasized it is becoming more and more important to show the amounts of water delivered. The state is asking watermasters to attend some training sessions this spring, and part of that training will assist in water measurements which in turn should help promote uniformity in record keeping among water districts.

At the present time 20,000 water rights have been decreed under the re adjudication, and the process is moving much more rapidly since many issues have been resolved. The court will be looking at domestic and stock water rights in our district by the end of this year with irrigation rights by the year 2002/3. Gary mentioned that no one is required to file for domestic water rights; however, at the present for loans, the VA is requiring an application be on file for domestic water. Also, the Supreme Court has held that there is

a partial forfeiture in the state, and this will be recognized in the re adjudication process. If water is not available, this is not considered partial forfeiture.

The Department of Water Resources is sending out letters to applicants saying they will process applications, primarily ground water for irrigation; but these could have to be changed by the re adjudication process. The burden of proof falls on the applicant to show that what he proposes to do does not harm another water user; however, after the application is approved, the burden of proof falls on the injured party.

There was some discussion as to the benefits received from being members in the Idaho Water Users Association. Since our district has been paying \$3,500 dues, there was a general consensus that the group did not want to pay the increase of \$250. John Sachtjen made a motion to pay \$3,500 in dues for 1998, seconded by Paul Striker and the motion carried.


John Sachtjen made a motion to notify Washington and Adams Counties to collect the money for Water District 67 through the tax system and send it to the district. Paul Striker seconded this motion, and it carried unanimously.


Paul Striker made a motion to hold the next annual meeting for Water District 67 on Monday, February 1, 1998, at 1 p.m. at Kay's Cafe and to pay the cafe \$30 for the use of their room. Vernon Lolley seconded this motion and the motion carried. John Sachtjen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Paul Striker. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m. The following people attended the meeting:

Tom Ehrgood
Margaret Rennick
Vernon Lolley
Paul Striker
Jerry Jaeger
Jerry Myers

John Sachtjen
Jim Rinnick
A. G. Salfen
Milton Kerner
Gary Spackman

Respectfully submitted,


Mary Ellen Pugh
Secretary/Treasurer


Milton Kerner
Chairman

Attachments

cc: Adams County
Department of Water Resources
Gerald Myers
Washington County

WATERMASTER'S PROPOSED BUDGET 1998

WATER DISTRICT 67

	1997 Proposed Budget	1997 Actual Budget	1998 Proposed Budget
Watermaster Salary	11,000.00	11,000.04	11,000.00
Deputies Salaries	8,500.00	3,950.00	8,400.00
Secretary Salary	600.00	600.00	700.00
State Insurance Fund	1,085.92	782.73	1,000.00
Insurance	100.00	100.00	100.00
Telephone	200.00	119.46	200.00
Social Security	1,600.00	1,155.09	1,600.00
Miscellaneous	200.00	30.00	200.00
Mileage @ .31	4,000.00	1,756.15	4,000.00
Water Association Fee	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,750.00
Postage		30.92	50.00
TOTALS	30,785.92	23,024.39	31,000.00
Bank Savings Account		22,144.54	
Bank Checking Account		9,949.31	
Ending Balance for 1997		32,093.85	
Receivables:			
Washington County		21,217.49	
Adams County		4,058.10	
TOTAL		25,275.59	
1997 Assessment for 42,260.01 inches at .55/inch			23,243.01
Minimum of 7.50 for 199 water rights			1,492.50
TOTAL 1997 ASSESSMENT			24,735.51