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Minutes of Water District #29-B
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Meeting held in Arimo City Building called to order at 7:05
Water Dist. Pres. Bruce Wheatley conducting

Members present: Bruce Wheatley, Reed Capell, Alan Christensen, Jack and Hatley, Derald Armstrong, Emery and Donna Nestor, Ralph Wheatley, Leland Armstrong and Wendell Marley.

Minutes of March 1998 meeting were read and approved. Alan Christensen explained what had happened with the 1998 billings.

Bruce brought up the South Diversion and is it needed? Wendell said that they would use it if it was usable. It was stated that the canal would need considerable backhoe and bull dozer work before it would carry water. Bruce said that the SCS had not responded as yet to aid in the planning and design of a new diversion. They will be contacted to see when they can come down. Sheldon Hatley stated that the money assessed for the replacement of the south Diversion should be used for it. It was stated by Bruce Wheatley that the diversion would require at least 6 foot pipe to carry the water during spring runoff. Emery Nestor said that there was a man in McCammon (Marshall Burgin) that did bull dozer work.

Reed Capell stated that we need to replace the diversion at John Evans this spring. The culverts through John's yard are too small and set to high. The culverts and canal at Klain Christensen's also need work.

Bruce Wheatley made a motion that we replace the diversion at John Evan's this spring. The motion was 2nd by Jack Hatley and approved by those present. Assignment to oversee the diversion was made to Reed Capell.

Discussion on assessment. It may be necessary to increase assessment if diversions are too expensive. It was decided to leave the assessment at \$12.50/share of water with the option of an additional assessment of \$12.50 /share if needed later.

Water usage fee. The present usage fee of \$5/stream does not cover all of the expenses associated with the Water Master. We currently pay the Water Master \$10/day or \$5/stream. We also have the expense of Workman's Compensation of approximately \$300/year.

Discussion on users fee. Sheldon Hatley. Said that he thought that the usage fee should pay all of the cost of the water master. Discussion on having the usage fee pay for the water master vs. a common assessment to all shareholders followed .

Emery Nestor made a motion not to hire a water master until water is low enough that turns are necessary. Motion died for lack of a second.

Ralph Wheatley said that the water master should begin with the first call for water.

Sheldon Hatley made a motion that the users fee be raised to 7.00/ stream. Motion was seconded by Wendell Marley. And approved by those present with one opposing vote.

Water Master Bruce told us that Marshall did not want to continue as water master. A number of possible names for water master were discussed. Names mentioned were Barry Nielsen, Spencer Marley and Dawn Ann Bradley. Ralph Wheatley made a motion that the hiring of the water master be left to the officers. Second to motion by Wendell Marley and approved by those present.

Emery suggested telling the water master that the State will be his boss.

Officers Motion by Ralph Wheatley to retain present officers was seconded by Wendell Marley and approved by those present.

Emery Nestor stated that Mr. Carlson said that the officers accept the Sec-Treasurer are released after the meeting. After discussion the consensus was that the officers should function during the year to oversee the needs of the district.

Advisory committee for new diversion;

Bruce Wheatley nominated Reed Capell 2nd by Leland Armstrong
Jack Hatley nominated Leland Armstrong 2nd by Ralph Wheatley
Reed Capell nominated Sheldon Hatley 2nd by Ralph Wheatley

Leland Armstrong said that the middle canal requires a lot of work to regulate the flow during the winter months.

It was stated that the weir in the gap needs to be taken out and flushed of debris.

There was a discussion on controlling weeds along the canals.
Motion by Leland Armstrong that users be billed as soon as possible after irrigation is over.
Usage bills should be paid before the next years usage. Motion 2nd by Emery Nestor and approved.

Ralph Wheatley Moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion approved.

Adjourned at 9:47

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Addendum: Dawn Ann Bradley accepted the position of water master for the Water District .

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