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Sheri Helman 2391 Rock Creek Rd Hansen, ID 83334

RE: Water District 47-O, Rock Creek

Dear Shari:

We have received the minutes of this year's water meeting and your adopted budget. As you have again been elected as treasurer of your district, an oath of office is enclosed for your signature. Once we receive your notarized oath, a certificate of appointment will be issued.

I noticed that your adopted-budget amounts total up to more than what was voted on by \$44.68; is this correct? While I do not approve the budget like I do the watermaster's report, the budget does appear to be in error. I noticed that I did not review last year's report, so I will get on that right away.

Regards,

James E. Stanton Sr. Water Resource Agent The annual meeting of the Rock Creek Water District 47-0 was called to order by the 2003 chairman, David Crockett. There were 18 members present and 1 representative of IDWR.

Nominations were opened for 2004 chairman. Hal Frazier nominated David Crockett, Leonard Daw 2nd the nomination. There was a call for unanimous ballot, passed. David Crockett was elected to be the 2004 chairman.

The minutes of all the meetings for 2003 were read and approved.

Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer were opened. Hal Frazier nominated Shari Helman, David Funk 2nd the nomination. Call for unanimous ballot, passed. Shari Helman was elected as Secretary/Treasurer for 2004.

Nominations were opened for Watermaster for 2004. Ken Mulberry nominated Cindy Blakely; Garry Nielsen 2nd. Call for unanimous ballot, passed. Cindy Blakely will be watermaster for 2004.

A new Advisory Board was elected. Erick Cummins, East Ditch; Jenni Mulberry, Main Creek; and David Funk, West Ditch.

Salaries for the Secretary/Treasurer and Watermaster were discussed. The watermaster stated that due to the cost of gas that her mileage was quite costly last year. David Funk moved that we increase the watermaster pay by \$350 for the season bringing the total to \$5600. Leonard Daw 2nd the motion. Motion carried. It was voted to leave the Secretary/Treasurer wages at \$650 again for the 2004 season.

Jenni Mulberry made the motion to raise the budget amount to \$6350.00 for the 2004 season. Garry Nielsen 2nd. Motion Carried.

There was some discussion concerning work done on each ditch in the district and the proper way to have it billed out. Allen Merritt of IDWR stated that it is, in no way, the responsibility of the District to see that the work done on the various ditches is paid for; that is the responsibility of the users on each one of those ditches etc.

Resolutions:

Meeting Time----First Monday in March of each Year --- No Change

Bill Due Dates – May 15th of each year----No Change

Lot owners measuring practices; Hal Frazier moved that we amend the resolution that stated that lot owner water could be measured by sprinkler heads using a 9/64" nozzle at 60#s of pressure which yields ½" of water. Hal's motion stated that this method could be used as well as any other that would be acceptable to IDWR; Garry Nielsen 2nd. Motion Failed. It was decided to be sure that all lot owners are informed of the proper way to have their water measured and that they be instructed to see that it is corrected before the 2005 season.

Allen Merritt of IDWR discussed the review by IDWR last summer to get all measuring devices up to the acceptable standards. **No water will be delivered until these improvements have been completed.**

There was a great deal of discussion concerning proper measuring devices that would be acceptable and reliable. David Crockett stated that he had done a lot of research and had purchased 2 mechanical flow meters that are to be reliable; but they cost \$700 each. Ken Mulberry stated that another means of measuring is using a stand-pipe that has water piped to it from the source and you would be able to determine by the size of the pipe and the height in the stand-pipe how much water is being taken. Allen Merritt suggested talking with Cindy Yenter, who did the review last year, concerning measuring devices since she has had a great deal of experience with them.

Allen Merritt also stated that the Snake River Readjudication may start in our District 47 before the end of the year. After this is complete it could cause our district to become somewhat larger.

The Watermaster, Cindy Blakely, stated that she would be going around to check on headgates etc. on April 10th to determine if they are ready for water.

David Funk moved that the meeting be adjourned. Brent Funk 2nd. Passed.

Chase Helman

Meeting Adjourned

Shari Helman

Secretary/Treasurer