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Water District: 43-B, Upper Raft River & Clear Creek

Dear Bob;

We have received the minutes of this year's water meeting, and your 1999 adopted budget.

Regards,

James E. Stanton Sr. Water Resource Agent

RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO THE TIME AND MANNER OF COLLECTING THE BUDGET AS ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE USERS OF

WATER DISTRICT No	. 4 3- B
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Annual Meeting Minutes for Water District 43-B

A meeting for Raft River and Clear Creek water users was held January 15,1999 at the Raft River Electric building in Malta, Idaho. The meeting began at 1:00 P.M. Those in attendance were Tim Luke (IDWR) Boise, Jay Harper, Robert Hope, David Sundberg, Steven Holmgren, Shane Holmgren, Rodney Hall, Michael Lewis, Douglas Freestone, Ray Jones, Harold Jones, Reid Stewart, Daniel Hill, Don Walker, Leanna Walker, H. Olen Ward, Boyd Hoskins, Rodney Jones, Jodee Willett, Oleta Willett, Garth Steed, Alan Harper and Dwight Rarick.

The meeting was called to order by Jay Harper, chairman of the Advisory Committee. The items of business include the following:

- 1. Jay Harper was elected to serve as chairman for the meeting.
- 2. Robert Hope was elected secretary of the district by unanimous vote.
- 3. The appointment of a credentials committee was discussed. It was decided not to appoint a Credentials Committee until the need arises
- 4. The minutes of Last years meeting were read by Robert Hope. The minutes were approved by unamimous vote.
- 5. The financial Statement was read by Douglas Freestone. The statement was unanimously approved.
- 6. Reed Springs and the ponding of water by Gary Steed was discussed. Proper weirs for measuring water into and out-of the pond have not been properly installed yet. A culvert prior to a measuring weir is leaking and allows water to go around the weir. A permit to pond the water was given by the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) on the condition that weirs be installed before and after the pond to see how much seepage there is lost from the pond. A new target date of May 1st to install proper weirs was agreed on.

Water to be put back into the Raft River channel from irrigation pumps when Reed Springs goes dry from pumping was discussed. An amount equal to the flow of Reed Springs as measured prior to the pumping season was the agreed amount.

- 7. It was moved and seconded that the water users annual meeting be scheduled as close to January 15th as possible. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 8. The salary for the watermaster was discussed. It was proposed that the salary remain at 10.00/hour. The watermaster will continue to pay his own transportation costs. The motion was approved.
- 9. The election of a watermaster was accomplished with David Sundberg to remain as watermaster. It was also resolved to employ the watermaster on a year round schedule. He will be the watermaster until a new one is duly elected and trained.
- 10. It was approved we adopt Idaho Code 42-617 as follows: "No ditch, Canal Company or water user shall have the right to demand and receive water, and the watermaster shall not deliver to such person until the amount due and payable from user as fixed by the budget, has been paid."
- 11. It was approved that assessments to water users should be paid by April 1, 1999. This is the beginning of the irrigation season.

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12. It was moved and approved to retain the same Advisory Committee of Jay Harper, Douglas Freestone, Roscoe Ward, Boyd Hoskins and Jeff Sessions. The Advisory Committee will help resolve problems that may arise.

13. Douglas Freestone was elected to continue as treasurer for the District. The secretary will continue to keep the financial records.

- 14. An adopted budget of \$1650.00 was approved. The budget is for watermaster's salary, Workman's Compensation Insurance, Social Security and Medicare taxes and Secretarial expenses.
- 15. Possible requirements to measure all surface water and ground water amounts was discussed. Rules for measuring ground water are being studied and formulated for statewide use. More data is needed to finalize these rules.
- 16. The meeting adjourned at 2:48 P. M.

Meeting Chairman D. May Harper

Secretary Robert Hope