APPOINTMENT OF MEETING CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY

Gerald Bashaw moved to appoint Robert Struthers as Chairman of the meeting. Seconded by Joe Pavko. Motion passed unanimously.

Joe Pavko moved to appoint Norma Peterson as Secretary. Seconded by Harvey Brauburger. Motion passed unanimously.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Leo Hobdey moved to dispense with the Credentials Committee for the present time. Seconded by Jerry Nance. Motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the 1995 Annual Meeting were distributed. Harold Drussel moved to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Leo Hobdey. Motion passed unanimously.

AUDIT

Paul Nielsen, from Ware Nielsen Associates, Certified Public Accountants, reviewed the audit for water year 1995, completed in 1996.

REPORTS

Clarence Robison from the University of Idaho, gave a progress report on the Phase II Aquifer Study of the Big Wood River above Hailey. He also reviewed Phase I.

The Watermaster gave a brief report of the 1996 irrigation season. 1996 was a good water year with few priority cuts. The financial condition of both Districts is good, with a surplus of unexpended funds being returned to the water users.

BUDGET

The Watermaster reviewed the following proposed budgets for both District item for item.

WATER DISTRICT 37	BIG WOOD RIVER PROPOSED	ADOPTED
Watarmaster's Salary	20.008.13	19,627.03
Secretary's Salary	9,535.13	8,750.86
Deputy-Upper BWR - Salary	8,145.49	7,990.34
Deputy-Upper BWR - Auto	5,740.84	5,740.84
Deputy-Upper BWR - Salary for Oct		720.55
Deputy-Upper BWR - Auto for Oct &		470.00
Deputy-Lower BWR - Salary	4,072.75	3,995.17
Deputy-Lower BWR - Auto	2,806.00	2,806.00
Social Security	3,251.01	3,142.92
State Retirement	4,933.89	4,769.85
Workmen's Comp	1,990.00	1,990.00
SUTA	1,600.00	1,600.00
IDWR Medical Ins (Full Time)	2,426.48	2,426.48
Medical Ins (Part Time)	360.00	360.00
Office Rent	2,400.00	2,400.00
Field & Office	5,000.00	5,000.00
Office Heat & Lights	550.00	550.00
City Water	214.00	214.00
Auto Expense	2,000.00	2,000.00
Radio System	625.00	625.00
Contingency Fund	500.00	500.00
U S G S Coop Fund	2,175.00	2,175.00
Big Wood Canal Co.	850.00	850.00
Northside Canal Co.	549.00	549.00
District Canal Co.	150.00	150.00
Baseline Canal Co.	150.00	150.00
Idaho Water Users Assn.	225.00	225.00
Extra Labor	2,000.00	2,000.00
Equipment Reserve	2,000.00	2,000.00
Comptuer	2,000.00	2,000.00
TOTAL	87.538.11	85,853.04

WATER DISTRICT 37-M SILVER CREEK AND LITTLE WOOD RIVER

	PROPOSED	ADOPTED
Watermaster's Salary	10,004.06	9,813.51
Secretary's Salary	4,767.99	4,375.43
Deputy Silver Creek & ULWR Salary	8,145.49	7,990.34
Deputy Silver Creek & ULWR Auto	5,740.84	5,740.84
Deputy Lower LWR Salary	4,072.75	3,995.17
Deputy Lower LWR Auto	2,806.00	2,806.00
Social Security	2,064.76	2,060.53
State Retirement	3,133.57	3,127.15
Workmen's Comp	1,400.00	1,400.00
SUTA	1,000.00	1,000.00
IDWR Medical Ins (Full Time)	1,213.24	1,213.24
Medical Ins (Part Time)	360.00	360.00
Office Rent	1,200.00	1,200.00
Field & Office	2,500.00	2,500.00
Office Heat & Lights	300.00	300.00
City Water	111.00	111.00
Auto Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00
Radio System	312.50	312.50
Contingency Fund	500.00	500.00
Big Wood Canal Co	510.00	510.00
Idaho Water Users Assn	130.00	130.00
Extra Labor	1,000.00	1,000.00
Computer	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment Reserve	1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL	54,297.20	53,470.71

Harold Drussel moved to accept the proposed budget for District 37 as presented. Seconded by Robert Logan. Motion failed per Big Wood Canal Co.

Bob Esterbrook requested a recess for the purpose of a Cacus meeting for representatives of Big Wood Canal Co. and American Falls Reservoir Dist. #2. Time 2:10 p.m. Meeting resumed at 2:20 p.m.

Jerry Nance said they had no authorization for the proposed increase in salaries and they would offer an alternative motion.

Bud Purdy expressed his opposition based on the fact that the representatives for Big Wood Canal Co. and American Falls Reservoir District #2 had voted on the same proposed budget during the Advisory Board Meeting held in October 1996, and had a that time had voted to accept the same proposed budget.

Jerry Nance moved to give a 3% wage increase straight across the board for the employees of Distirct 37, lowering Social Security and State Retirement accounts respectfully and to accept the remainder of the budget as proposed. Seconded by Gary Osborne. Motion carried.

Bud Purdy moved to accept the proposed budget for District 37M as presented. Seconded by Gerald Bashaw. Motion failed per Big Wood Canal Co.

Bob Esterbrook moved to give a 3% wage increase to all employees of District 37M, lowering Social Security and State Retirement accounts respectfully, in addition to raise Skip Schaefer's wages to the same level as the other deputies, and to accept the remainder of the budget for District 37M as proposed. Seconded by Harvey Brauburger. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Harold Drussel moved to accept the resolutions as proposed. Seconded by Harvey Brauburger. Motion passed unanimoulsy.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Jerry Nance moved to re-appoint the existing Advisory Board Members. Seconded by Harold Drussel. Motion passed unanimously.

Advisory Board Members are as follows: Bob Esterbrook, Bud Purdy, Kenneth Ohlinger, Gordon Sorenson, Jim Eakin, Bill Arkoosh, John Koyle and Jerry Nance.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Watermaster gave a report on the stream flows at gauging stations #19 at Hailey, Magic Reservoir and Station #21 on the Malad River.

Leo Hobdey moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 p.m. Seconded by Harvey Brauburger. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Norma Peterson, Secretary.

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