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March 25, 1997

Deloris Jones PO Box 265 Hagerman, ID 83332

Water District: 36-A, Billingsley Creek

Dear Mrs. Jones;

We have received the minutes of this year's water meeting, and your proposed 1997 budget. Although the minutes do not mention the election of a treasurer, it is my understanding that you also act in this capacity. If this is the case, we need to have an oath of office before a treasurer can be appointed; a form is enclosed for your signature. Once we receive your notarized oath, a certificate of appointment will be issued. At future annual meetings, your district should go through the standard procedures to elect a treasurer.

Regards,

James E. Stanton Sr. Water Resource Agent

To: Water District 36-A File
From: Tim Luke
Date: February 24, 1997
Re: Annual Water District Meeting Notes of District Me

The annual meeting of District 36-A was held at the Hagerman High School in Hagerman. About 16 users were in attendance. John LeMoyne called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. LeMoyne was nominated and elected meeting chairman, Delores Jones was nominated and elected as meeting and district secretary.

Delores Jones read the minutes of the 1996 meeting and minutes were approved. Mrs. Jones and Mr. LeMoyne together provided a review of the district's financial matters. The district last year had collected assessments from about 35 of the approximate 40 diversions provided on the attached list. A copy of the 1997 proposed budget and rate of assessments is also attached. The proposed budget and rate of assessments was adopted as presented.

A discussion was held concerning the watermaster duties and mention that watermaster George Lemmon was retiring as watermaster. Some of the duties were outlined on a handout which is also attached to this memo. A nomination was made to elect Frank Erwin as watermaster. The nomination was seconded, no other nominations or objections were made, and Erwin was elected by unanimous vote. A resolution was adopted to have the watermaster appointed to a full year term of service, March 1997 to March 1998. The 1997 advisory board was nominated and elected, and consists of John LeMoyne, George Lemmon, Dan Yore, Dan McFadden, Ivan Gufstason, and Cleave Lloyd.

In new business, one of the users discussed a need for the various ditches in the valley to consider working together or pooling resources to hire one person or entity to do ditch maintenance. It was announced that Cleave Lloyd, who had done a lot of the past maintenance, was also retiring. There was also some discussion by one of the users about monitoring of water quality from some of the spring sources, particularly sources used for domestic purposes. Concerns focused on coliform and nitrate levels in these sources.

No further business was discussed and meeting was adjourned at about 1:48 p.m. I met with new watermaster and advised that we would work toward providing him a copy of decree and list of water rights for the district, plus other training etc. Address for new watermaster: Frank Erwin

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cc: Jim Stanton, Southern Region Norm Young

### WATER DISTRICT 36 A

## Proposed budget for 1997

#### **EXPENSES**:

Watermaster wages at \$100 per month base	1200.
Travel to meetings, etc.	250.
Still owing to George Lemmon	1089.
Workmen's compensation insurance	400.
Estimated wages to be paid over base	800.
Estimated travel to be paid on calls	50.
Secretary and Treasurer wages and expenses	600.
Bank Charges @ \$6.00 per month	72.
Unforeseen expenses and contingencies	1587.

# Total estimated expenses:

6048.

All parties in a dispute calling out the watermaster to pay the district \$20 per hour and \$.25 mileage. Anyone that doesn't pay will be taken to small claims court by the district. District will pay the watermaster. When IDWR calls the watermaster to do something the watermaster will charge the district the same rate after the first hour of each month.

INCOME:		
Cash on hand from 1996 operations To be raised from assessment on users		198. 5850.
Total estimated income:		6048.
Pay by size of diversion:		1 allation
RATE		1 10000
1. \$50 minumum up to 5 cfs	10	500
2. 5.1 to 10 cfs @ \$100	7	700
3. 10.1 to 25 cfs @ \$150	7	1050
4. 25.1 to 50 cfs @ \$200	9	1800
5. 50.1 on up @ \$300	6	1800
TOTAL ASSESSMENT		5850
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	Diversions of Water in District 36 A		
	NAME	AMOUNT	RATE
1.	U.S.F. & W. Len Lewis Spring ] Between two diversions		
2.	U.S.F. & W. Bickle Spring ] over 51 cfs	51 +	5
	I. D. F. G. Tucker Spring ]		
4.	I.D. F. G. Riley Creek ] Between three diversions		
	I.D. F. G. Bickle Spring ] over 51 cfs	51 +	5
6.	Share Ditch Pipeline	4	1
7.	Conyer's Ditch, Riley Creek	40	4
	Hunt Ditch, Riley Creek	28.5	4
	Big Bend Ditch, Tucker Springs	35	4
10.	Pipeline Ditch, Tucker Springs, I.P.Co. & Salmon Falls	10	2
	Musser & Candy, Curran Tunnel	12	3
12.	Rangen's Curran Spring	20 (70)	3
	Curran Ditch, Billingsley Creek	35	4
	Bar-S Ditch, Weatherby Spring	14 (7)	3
15.	Jacobsen Ditch, Hoagland Tunnel	7.5	2
16.	Jones Fish Hatchery	30 (68)	4
17.	Jones Ditch, Three Spring, Donnie McFadden	5	1
	City of Hagerman, Potter Spring	5	1
19.	McFadden, Huit Spring	2	1
20.	Tupper Spring	1	1
21.	Ellis-Eggelston, Billingsley Creek	105	5
	Fisher Lake Big Spring, Ellis-Eggelston	45	4
	Big Spring Water Users Association	17	3
	Sherman Spring, CCAN (Hailey)	5 ·	1
	Hidden Springs, Huff-Aquarius	10	2
	Hagerman Water Users Springs	15	3
	Doug Schrank	3.7	1
	Indian Springs, Earl Hardy	17	3
	Fisheries Dvl., Billingsley Creek	100	5
	Sandy Hydro, Billingsley Creek	100	5
	I.D.F.G., Abbott Springs	5	1
	McFaddan, Florence Livestock	10	2
	Buckeye Ditch, Billingsley Creek	51	5
	E. M. Bell Ditch, Billingsley Creek, Gisler	28	4
	Sands Ditch, Billingsley Creek	40	4
	Barlogi Ditch, Billingsley Creek	4	1
	Boyer Ditch, Billingsley Creek	11	3
	O. S. Smith, Billingsley Creek	36	4
	Idaho Power Co., Billingsley Creek	5	1
	Padgett Ditch, Sanborn	7.5	2
	Brailsford Ditch, Len Lewis Spring	18	3
42.	John Bell Ditch, Billingsley Creek	6.5	2

This is in conflict with DUTIES OF A WATERMASTER Acade de serve year ormend

1. It shall be the duty of the Watermaster to distribute the waters in his district according to the prior rights of each user.

2. The Watermaster shall not begin their work until they have been called upon by three care. or more owners or members of ditches, by application in writing, stating that there is a necessity for the use and control of the waters of said district. The Watermaster shall not continue performing services after the necessity thereof shall cease. At any annual meeting the water users may, by resolution, provide that the watermaster shall serve \* throughout the year.

not convicte 3. The Watermaster should have in his possession a copy of the lastest "Decree" or shall be his sole guide to the amount of water appurtenant to certain lands, and the date of act 42 607 priority of each right. Copies of these are available of the copies of th priority of each right. Copies of these are available from the Department of Water Resources.

4. All diversions must have measuring devices in working order so that they can be readily read by the Watermaster.

5. Daily Water Record Books will be furnished you by the Department in which to record  $\nu$ the amount of water delivered to each wateruser.

6. Rotation of water among users is recommended where it is practicable and where no one is injured thereby.

7. Watermaster shall make an annual report of the amount of water delivered during the preceding irrigation season within his district. They also want it broken down as to ditches and the costs of delivery, etc. Most of this will not apply to our district.

8. Watermaster is supposed to prepare a budget on or before Nov. 15th each year for the y following year. He is to file this with the secretary for consideration and approval at the next annual meeting of the water users. This too does not fully apply to this district. y

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