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Water district 11F  
Annual Water Meeting  
Geneva LDS Church Building  
February 17, 2022

Department of Water Resources  
Eastern Region

Devin Boehme called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The agenda was handed to each out to each person that attended the meeting. Devin asked for a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Garth B made the motion and Chris E 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion passed. Next the secretary was asked to read the minutes of the 2021 meeting held in Geneva on Feb 25, 2021. Devin entertained a motion to accept the minutes of the 2021 meeting. Victor H made the motion to accept the minutes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lon. The motion passed.

The next item on the agenda was a new position, assistant water master. Robert moved to go into discussion about the new position, asking why the district needed that position. Devin explained the reason to have this position is to split the work load of the water master so it does not take as long to travel each metering device throughout the district by one individual. Robert asked if there was that much work for two people. Joel explained number 5.D on the agenda of taking a picture and sending it to him as proof of turning on or off the water and the diversions. Carson had reservations because cell service is not the greatest in the valley and sometimes messages do not get received on time. Joel brought up the Preliminary Oder sent to each shareholder by the IDWR last fall. Carson stated that text messages are not a paper trail and He wanted the water master to come out and measure the water in person and not by text message. An argument entailed and Tim T left the meeting on his own without being asked to leave. It was said that it is going to be tough because the state is coming to look at the diversions and metering devices. Carson made the comment that if we do things right we will not have any problems. Devin restated the reason for the assistant water master position. Carson stated again for the protection of the 11F water district it needs to have a paper trail of when the water is turned on and off. Carson also stated that each shareholder is obligated to take the water master and show them where their meter is located. Back to the motion of assistant water master, Carson made the comment that there needs to be a job description for this position. He also asked how many diversions there are in the valley. Devin replied there is between 20 and 25. Carson made the motion to not add the assistant water master, and Rodney B 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion passed.

Joel was asked to give the annual water report. He went over the the 3 items on point 5 of the agenda. 1<sup>st</sup> need to pay the assessment before the water master will turn on the water. 2<sup>nd</sup> metering devices need to be repaired and functioning. 3<sup>rd</sup> the area around the metering device needs to be sprayed and clean. Joel talked about the preliminary order and he does not think that the shareholders are taking it seriously. Gene asked if Joel was going to talk about what happened last year and not about the future.

Joel stated he was not printing off and handing the report out. If you want to see the report go online to the IDWR web site and find it there. The adjudication is coming and each person needs to make sure that their water rights are up to date. Gene made mention that the adjudication will be more about the use of the water right and not the number of rights. Robert made light of people putting in pivots and wheel lines where there has not been water use before. Devin mentioned that the prove up is very vague. If you can prove with an affidavit that water was used on the property at any time you have proved it. Carson said the water is decreed to a certain property and to certain acreage. Devin pointed out that the judge has ordered the adjudication to start. The IDWR is setting up an office in Preston this summer. They are not sure whether to start on the east in Geneva and move west to Malad or vice versa. It looking like the adjudication will start in Geneva. Joel also stated that the IDWR was not happy

with all the phone calls they received from 11F shareholders last fall. He spent a lot of hours on the phone discussing the issues. Joel said he needed one or two days' notice before turning on water so he could make time to be there. It will be in the afternoons because of his other job. He also is not going to wait around for hours to meet to turn on the water. If you cannot meet when you set with him you need to contact him. Cutter R asked what this Order was about. Devin asked him if he received the order in the mail. James spoke up and reported that the IDWR was now using the listed names and addresses on record to send any correspondence the water right holders. Please contact IDWR and make sure your addresses are correct in their data base. Cutter R mentioned that his ranch is doing a big project with the fish and game and wondered about the metering device being in before the project was finished. Joel stated that Thomas Fork Ranch would probably be exempt until the project is completed. Joel stated the state is giving Makoff an extra year to complete the measuring device. Carson debated this statement by the fact that Logan did not know about the exemption of an extra year. Carson seemed to think that Logan was going to have it put in this year. Robert B asked about the wiers and the initial flow after the head gate is first opened. Joel staid he does not measure when the head gate is first opened but the next day or so to let the water even out. Beaver are still a problem in the valley. Work with the fish and game to remove a few of them.

The nominations for water master were held. Reed Clark nominated Victor H. Garth nominated Joel. Gary T made the motion to cease nominations, Reed 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. It passed. Victor and Joel left the room while the votes were taken. Victor received 7 and Joel received 8. Joel is the 2022 water master. Secretary/treasurer the nomination was for James. The motion to cease nominations was made by Derek, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by victor. It passed. James is the 2022 sec/tres for district 11F. The advisory board has for 2 members up for re-election. Gene made the motion to keep the Mike and Chris on the board, and Robert 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion passed. The budget was the next thing up for vote. Gene asked about the revenue for fiscal year 2022. James showed him the revenue was up at the top under income. The treasurer will send out report showing the debts and credits along with the assessment. Carson asked how his assessment was figured if the water master does not know where his measuring device is located. Water master stated it was by estimation. Gary made the motion to accept the budget, Lon 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion passed.

Devin mentioned the NRCS is holding the 319 project funding. They are having an open house for that. The 319 money comes from the state. It is administrated by the DEQ.

Closing the meeting, the motion was made by Richard, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reed and lon. The motion passed.

Attendance:

Garth & Denise Boehme

Reed Clark

Camilla Rigby

Ronnie Roberts

Robert Boehme

Rodney Boehme

Bryce Boehme

Clay Boehme

Tyson Boehme

Gary Teuscher

Gene Boehme

Derek Boehme

Janet Widmer

Chris Esterholdt

Cutter Rasmussen

Carson Price

Victor Hardesty

Lon Tueller

Richard Leortscher

Devin Boehme

Joel Teuscher

James Teuscher

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