

Lester, Steve

From: Lester, Steve
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2014 2:21 PM
To: 'Jo Ashbrook (jaashbrook@frontiernet.net)'
Subject: Porter creek lists
Attachments: Delivery list 3-2014.xls; Owner list 8-2014.docx; Mailing list.docx

Contacts: Jo Ashbrook

Jo:

Attached are lists for Porter Creek water rights, owners & addresses as of August 2014. A few rights still don't have ownership changes filed by current owners yet. But it's ok to send a bill to those current owners as shown on the list ... they own the rights & are required to pay the assessment even if they have not yet complied with the legal requirement to file the ownership change with this department.

Note Jeremy & Susan Gramkow own right 65-23197 (split from old #3 right). Also, Steve Dobson remains on mailing list even though no longer owns Porter Creek water rights. That's ok since he has been active in the district through this year.

Please let me know if you need more information.

Best regards,

Steve Lester
Interim Western Region Manager
IDWR Western Region
2735 Airport WY
Boise, ID 83705
(208-334-2190)

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10/20/2014

Full Name: Jo Ashbrook
Last Name: Ashbrook
First Name: Jo
Mobile: (208) 859-2243
E-mail: jaashbrook@frontiernet.net
E-mail Display As: Jo Ashbrook (jaashbrook@frontiernet.net)

Was secretary for Don Rumsey, Double Diamond.

He's selling ranch, so she lost her job about 6/1/2014.

Acting secretary for WD 65B 2014.

WD 65B SECRETARY 2014

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WATER RESOURCES
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THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
FOR
PORTERCREEK WATER DIST 65-B
AT THE LONGBRANCH, HORSESHOE BEND, ID 83620
MARCH 05, 2014

Those attending the meeting:

Steve Dobson

Cliff Bledsoe

Roger Miller

J C Fry

Jo Ashbrook (Sec. to Donald Rumsey)

Randy Hefner

Steve Lester

Vicky Music

George Dovel

Previous Chairperson Steve Dobson called the meeting to order at 11:00 am. Steve asked Jo to read the minutes from last years meeting. After reading of the minutes, Steve asked if there were any additions or corrections to approve the minutes. Cliff moved to accept the minutes as read, Randy second, there being no nays the minutes stand as read.

OLD BUSINESS: Randy asked if the water problem regarding Cliff's problem had been resolved.

Steve's recommendation was. What is not used for irrigation, divert it and let someone else use it.

Cliff asked if Gene Hess was retired and was he in charge of the water.

NEW BUSINESS: It was brought up that the County was using water (45,000 gal.) to water the road. Steve Lester said that the County needs to file a temporary water rights, if water is available in order to use it.

Jo read Lynn Gramkow's Resignation as water Master, she also talked to the County and they said they would not be handling the monies or billing anymore.

ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS:

Chairman: Nominations - Steve Dobson -Cliff, nominated - JC, second

Randy Hefner - Roger, nominated - Steve, second

Tied Votes - Flip of the coin was done and Randy Hefner is our new Chairman.

Secretary: Jo Ash brook - Steve, nominated - Randy, second. I stated that I was filling in for Don Rumsey as the Secretary. They voted to retain me as Secretary.

Advisory Board: Cliff, Gene and JC. Cliff resigned and nominated Steve Dobson, Randy second. Nomination passed. Randy moved and Roger second to retain Gene and JC. Motion passed. Advisory Board: Gene Hess, JC Fry, Steve Dobson.

Treasurer's Report: Jo received the balance from the county as \$297.97. That a assessment would need to be made to pay bills, State Insurance Fund and Water

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Master for 2013. Randy moved to accept Treasurer's Report, Roger second, there being no nays Treasure Report passed.

Jo also stated that Don Rumsey asked her to ask if the meeting could be canceled as he was out of town and if not could you have a special meeting when he got back in town around the 20th. (I told him I would ask) New Chairman Randy said he would call for a special meeting once every thing was settled down.

Jo also stated that if the County is not going to handle the billing and monies, you need to elect a new Secretary/Treasure.

Randy moved to have Jo as Secretary/Treasure as a back up if County says they are not doing the billing or handling the monies. Cliff second, there being no nay's Motion passed.

Water Master: Roger nominated - George Dovel - He declined. There being no other nominations Steve recommended Mike Tambini - approved, JC. Randy would talk to him. If he refused then it is a Advisory Board matter.

Budget Passed: Assessment of \$50.00 per irrigator, \$60.00 a day for Water Master per call.

Next Years Meeting: March 04, 2015 (1st Wednesday) - 11:00am at the The Long branch , Horseshoe Bend, ID. Randy moved, JC second, motion passed.

Steve Lester gave Steve Dobson (Advisory Board) a new application for water rights on Porter Creek.

Meeting was adjourned at 12 noon.

Jo Ashbrook, Secretary

*BSP mailing list updated 8/5/2014,
see Attached*



WATER DISTRICT 65B MAILING LIST

Updated 8/5/2014

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PO BOX 28
HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629

STEVE DOBSON
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HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629

PAT MILLER C/O K STARK MILLER
2668 E LACEWOOD DR
MERIDIAN ID 83646

PAT MILLER C/O KEVIN MILLER
645 E HOLLY ST APT 201
BOISE ID 83712

LYNN & ROGER GRAMKOW
196 PORTER CREEK RD
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JEREMY & SUSAN GRAMKOW
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HEBRARD C/O KENNETH & LINDA ZIMMER
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Right 65-10946, Hebrard to Zimmer.

Any other ownership changes &/or address changes needed? Please notify IDWR if you have updated information.

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BOISE, IDAHO 83705

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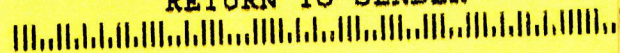
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STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
2735 Airport Way
Boise, Idaho 83705-5082

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7/17/2014

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C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor

GARY SPACKMAN, Director

July 3, 2014

To: Porter Creek Water District Members

Re: Water Delivery Calls for 2014

Dear Members:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) provides this information to assist with any water delivery calls for this year as explained below.

A watermaster was not elected at the water district meeting this March. Instead, the Advisory Committee agreed to work on that after the meeting. This proved unsuccessful. Therefore, water users are urged to work together to resolve any problems. If a delivery call is needed, the following method authorized by IDWR for just this year must be used:

1. Make a delivery call to one or more members of the Advisory Committee, which includes Steve Dobson, J. C. Fry and Gene Hess.
2. The Advisory Committee must coordinate with IDWR to determine what to do. Contact me at this office (208-334-2190) during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
3. If I am not available, ask for the Regional Manager. IDWR will not be available outside of regular business hours.
4. The Advisory Committee is authorized to deliver water after receiving IDWR confirmation of the correct determination for the delivery call.

I am optimistic you will successfully handle anything that comes up without needing IDWR intervention. However, the above method is available if necessary. At the end of this irrigation season, the Advisory Committee members can decide if they want to split the \$50 minimum salary budgeted for watermaster duties this year or forego that step.

Please let me know if you need more information. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Lester', written over a white background.

Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

Enclosure: Distribution List

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RANDY HEFFNER
CHAIRMAN PORTER CREEK WATER DISTRICT
14 HILL CREEK RD
HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629

Re: Water Delivery Calls for 2014

Dear Randy:

I sent a letter earlier today to the water district members about possible delivery calls this year. A distribution list was included.

Kevin Miller was inadvertently omitted from the list. He and Stark Miller apparently own separate parts of water right 65-22279 listed under Patricia Miller (deceased). They need to file ownership changes to split that right. Also, Zimmer needs to file an ownership change for right 65-10946 currently listed under Hebrard. All of these new owners have been notified several times to file those changes but have not responded.

* Enclosed is a corrected distribution list with Kevin Miller included. Also enclosed is a corrected list of owners showing 14 instead of 13 owners should pay the 2014 assessment at \$50 each. This will raise \$700 instead of \$650.

I understand the district secretary, Jo Ashbrook, has contacted you or will contact you regarding details of collecting the 2014 payments from the members (recall the county will no longer do this). I do not have her address. Please give her a copy of the corrected ownership information (extra set enclosed for her).

Sorry about the mix-up. Please let me know if you need any assistance in water district matters.

Sincerely,

Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

* Enclosure



* corrected versions in file
absent here
mail list to 7/3 dist. list to the
own list filed separately

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7/2/2014

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2014 PORTER CREEK WD 65B NOTES

 Steve Lester

5/27/2014

Secretary Jo Ashbrok called, personal cell 859-2243.

Double Diamond selling ranch & she will be out of a job end of this month, asked about collecting assessments etc. since county won't do it anymore.

1st she will call county today & confirm yes/no on that. Also said WM (Lynn) not paid for last year yet (county should do from 65B "acct." with county).

If no, then what? Said she might be able to do some until "replacement found."

Wait to hear from her about county – if county won't collect \$ etc., then:

Consider staying on thru this season (she was elected, not DD)?

If not, written resignation to chair (Heffner) & he will have to take it from there.

Long term, if not working petition to place 65B under WD 65 WM control ("deputy idea")? Or we should consider ordering it done?

Giong inactive probably not good, lose quick response capability if problems.

5/30/2014

Called Jo, she confirmed county will not handle finances anymore.

County will send balance to 65B once gets something in writing from them to that effect, Jo will handle that.

She wants to work this out to extent she can and then resign.

She agreed to talk to 65B chairperson, Randy Heffner:

- Establish 65B checking account
- Send assessment notices
- Provide address members can send payments to
- Then pay Lynn for last year and pay workers comp for this year.

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Separate Issue not involving secretary --

Watermaster Vacancy

Still vacant despite repeated contacts to folks.

Letter to Adv Comm 5/8/2014 (see 2014 65B file) on this.

SL call up 6/16/2014 for that letter.

If delivery call, no watermaster, John & Steve gone:

- Call Adv Comm c/o Steve Dobson, local # 793-2694
- Tell him Adv Comm needs to handle it
- Provide delivery list from N/Water Districts/WD 65B
- Western cannot provide additional help if they need it until JW or SL returns.

7/3/2014

Sent letter to members, Adv Comm can act as WM this year.

No word yet on assessments etc.



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GARY SPACKMAN, Director

May 8, 2014

PORTER CREEK WATER DISTRICT #65B
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
C/O STEVE DOBSON
PO BOX 366
HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629

Re: New Watermaster

Dear Steve:

I am having no luck contacting Mike to see if he is interested in the watermaster position this year. Have you had any luck on your end?

Time is getting short to fill the position. Please coordinate with your fellow committee members, J. C. Fry and Gene Hess, to provide a good candidate by June 13, 2014. You can call (334-2190) or write to me when you find someone. I will work with the advisory committee and candidate to get the position filled and ready for any delivery calls, although everyone seems to agree delivery calls are unlikely.

Still, we need a watermaster to comply with statutory requirements.

I will be out of the office June 5 through June 9 but otherwise will be available. Thank you, J. C. and Gene for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

Cc: Mike Tambini

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C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor

GARY SPACKMAN, Director

March 21, 2014

MIKE TAMBINI
PO BOX 255
HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629

Re: Porter Creek Water District #65B

Dear Mike:

Thank you for your interest in considering the watermaster position for this water district. It was a pleasure meeting you the other day and talking it over. Enclosed is some information we discussed to give you an overview of the watermaster role and some Porter Creek details.

I will be in touch in a few weeks to see what you are thinking in this regard. If you do accept the position, please remember this office will fully support you, including more information about delivering Porter Creek water rights, an initial inventory of the system, additional hands-on help should you receive any calls to deliver water and anything else you might need.

Meanwhile, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Regards,

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Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

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WATER DISTRICT 65B OWNER LIST

March 2014

DOVEL, GEORGE

D R & J INVESTMENTS (ATTN DON RUMSEY)

FAULL RANCH ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION

FRY & SONS

GRAMKOW, JEREMY & SUSAN

GRAMKOW, LYNN & ROGER

HEFFNER, RANDY & AMY

HESS, JOHNNIE & SHIRLEY

MILLER, PATRICIA ADAMS (NOW 2 OWNERS)

C/O (1) STARK MILLER **

C/O (2) KEVIN MILLER **

MILLER, ROGER

PAULINE WOODS TRUST (C/O CLIFF & ARLENE BLEDSOE)

RUMSEY, SUSAN

HEBRARD (C/O KENNETH & LINDA ZIMMER) **

I. C. 42-612 IF ASSESS EACH OWNER A FEE:

MAXIMUM \$50 PER OWNER = \$50 X 14 = \$700

**** need ownership changes**

**WATER DISTRICT MEETING NOTES
DISTRICT # 65B, PORTER CREEK**

Steve Lester 

3/5/2014

Vicky Music and I attended the annual meeting today in Horseshoe Bend after a brief tour of the district. Good turnout for the meeting, which far more lively than anticipated compared to recent annual meetings.

Watermaster Lynn Gramkow resigned last fall.

RESULTS

Officers: New chairperson Randy Heffner, secretary continues as Jo Ashbrook acting for Don Rumsey, elected Jo for treasurer because Boise County told her the county will no longer handle money issues for the district (county is essentially broke).

Prior chairperson Steve Dobson conducted the meeting under the mistaken assumption that electing a new chairperson this year is not effective until next year. However, no harm done in this small, informal group.

Watermaster's Report: No deliveries last year, nothing to report. Should be paid \$50 to cover paperwork etc. as agreed by the members in previous years.

Watermaster: Local resident Mike Tambini was suggested as a good watermaster candidate. Follow-up was delegated by members to Advisory Committee, IDWR will coordinate with them once have a definite candidate.

Advisory Committee: J.C. Fry, Gene Hess & Steve Dobson (latter replaced Cliff Bledsoe).

Funding: Current balance minimal, will not cover all outstanding 2013 expenses.

Budget: Adopted \$650 budget for mandatory workers comp insurance (increased to about \$300/year), Watermaster at \$50 minimum or \$60 per day (set by director some years ago) if delivery calls made this year.

Assessments: Voted to assess each owner \$50 per attached list. This will raise \$650. Jo will send billing and handle the money etc. A couple overdue ownership changes remain incomplete.

DISCUSSION

Considerable discussion about a number of water diversion/use matters, rights being diverted in priority and for appropriate uses, possible water available for late season irrigation (prepare ground for next season), wasting water, workers comp insurance, temporary rights (county trucks), how to address water problems and so on.

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Steve Nelson
793-2694

Best contact for comm.

ADVISORY comm.

New application 65-23557 (Jones) for a domestic/stockwater spring tributary to Porter Creek was discussed. New chairperson Randy Heffner signed the watermaster comment form on behalf of the district, endorsing the application.

IDWR PROVIDED THIS INFORMATION:

Water problems: 1st contact Watermaster, then Advisory Committee if not satisfactorily resolved, then IDWR if still not resolved.

IDWR will help in securing and training a Watermaster, including hands-on field inventory and related support.

IDWR legal will see if can persuade county (Rana Klinger in Finance?) to resume collecting assessments, similar to problems a few years ago in Gem County that IDWR helped resolve.

Per their questions, explained how current assessments should be based on Watermaster deliveries to determine pro-rata shares of total costs based on annual volume of water delivered in previous year -- often does not occur this way. District can assess each right owner a minimum fee not to exceed \$50/year. If delivery-based billing and minimum fee billing both used, owner pays the greater amount.

District can call another meeting this year if unexpected events outpace their budget, allowing a second assessment for 2014 to be levied.

2015 MEETING

They set the next annual meeting for 1st Wednesday of March, 11:00, Horseshoe Bend (same time and place as usual).

Then the meeting adjourned.