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WATER RESOURCES  
WESTERN REGION

67 A – WATER DISTRICT

ANNUAL MEETING

020215@ 1330 HOURS

(Audibly recorded)

- 16 Attendees: Dean Dunham, Ron Dunham, Joe Stippich, Jerry Jaeger, Ray Turnbull, Jim Buchanan, Victor Ward, Ralph Yantis, Tony Morgansen, Isaac Ward, Ron Jaeger, Jeff Dunham, Ron Ray, Larry Boehm, Royce Schwenkfelder, & Jeff Glemser. No Idaho Water Resource Board personnel were present.
- Meeting was called to order by Royce Schwenkfelder and opened for nominations for Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer.
  - o Chairman – Royce Schwenkfelder – Approved
  - o Sec/Tres - Jeff and Angela Glemser – Approved
- Minutes of last year, 2014, were read by Jeff Glemser - Approved.
- Treasurer’s report submitted by Angela Glemser and read by Jeff Glemser – Approved
  - o Income was normal for average year of approximately \$7000.
  - o 67 A water district paid for election advertisement for LWID in 2014. LWID will reimburse 67A for \$29.70.
  - o Annual financial audit to be done as requested by the board. 2014 completed on 020615 by US Bank with no discrepancies.
  - o Jeff and Angela Glemser to be paid \$500 for 2014 Sec/Tres work and same for 2015 - Approved
  - o Water district financial report required by Idaho State House Bill 560 to be submitted electronically on the state web sited by 030115. Completed 022715.
- Credential Committee members nominated, present, and approved:
  - o Jim Buchanan, Ralph Yantis, & Ray Turnbull
- Advisory Committee members nominated and approved:
  - o Gordon Wilkerson, Ralph Yantis, Russell Mink, Royce Schwenkfelder
- Old business:
  - o Joe Stippich presented a watermaster’s report which was discussed by all who attended.
  - o Royce Schwenkfelder commended Joe for doing a good job in getting water to everyone in 2014.
  - o Joe Stippich advised that the canal bank was raised at Darren Coriell’s and the canal at Mike Johnson’s needed to be fixed better.
  - o Joe Stippich advised that it was the most difficult to get water to everyone during July between the 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. He further advised that it appears that

water is disappearing in the middle of the district and asked for suggestions to remedy the situation.

- Jerry Jaeger suggested that Joe be more cognizant of the water situation and anticipate what will be needed and when.
- Ray Turnbull advised that more communication is needed with Joe Stippich.
- Joe Stippich suggested that there are problems with the lower end of the water district not getting the water as it seems to disappear in the middle of the canal system and may be due to the lack of “recharging.” He believes that it may be the sprinkler systems in the lower end the district that do not allow the water to sub through the ground and back into the river for reuse, where flood irrigation does recharge the river (i.e. canal system). He further commented that he knows the canals are full until the middle of the district and then the water starts to disappear.
- Jeff Glemser asked Joe Stippich if he needed help, such as a second person that he could train, who would also cover for him in time of illness or for time off. Joe didn’t know if it would help and suggested it would be up to the water users to pay for a second person. No motion made.
- Royce Schwenkfelder opened nominations for Watermaster.
  - Watermaster – Joe Stippich – Approved.
  - The motions were made to pay Joe Stippich his standard pay of \$4000, phone bill, government set mileage of .57 cents per mile, and the fuel for his four-wheeler – Approved.
- New business:
  - Victor Ward and Dean Dunham brought up the suggestion of putting a weir in the river on Bob Elias’ property to ensure the lower end of the water district was getting their water.
  - Ray Turnbull, Royce Schwenkfelder, Jerry Jaeger opposed putting a weir in as they believed it would not help and would be costly.
  - Dean Dunham countered that a tremendous amount of water is coming down from the upper end of the district and then disappears at the middle of the district; and the weir would tell us where the water is going.
  - Jerry Jaeger suggested that 60% of the water from flood irrigation goes back into the river for reuse, as sprinkler irrigation causes 40% of the water to evaporate and no water goes back into the river. Thus, as water irrigation systems improve, more water is lost.
  - Isaac Ward commented that 40 to 50 years ago he remembers the reservoir was not empty at the end of the season because we had a lot more water in the river. He added that we do not have the water in the system as we did back then.
  - Dean Dunham suggested that a weir would begin to find out where the problem is, whether it’s the upper end verses the lower end of the district.

- Royce Schwenkfelder and Jerry Jaeger believed that the weir would not help, and the communication between people would solve the issue.
- Joe Stippich reiterated that the river needs to be recharged which is not happening as much in the lower end of the district due to sprinkler systems.
- Royce Schwenkfelder suggested adding 10 feet to the reservoir for everyone's benefit.
- Jeff Glemser suggested to make a mechanical device to measure the water to find the area(s) where the problem is without affecting the course of the river.
- Isaac Ward believed that putting a weir in the river would slow down the flow and delivery of water, and would cause a flood liability.
- Jerry Jaeger advised that the reservoir is approximately 1.27 acre feet per acre which possibly gives 30 days of added irrigation when it was originally built.
- Royce Schwenkfelder believes that the district is not using the tools already in place (i.e. weirs) appropriately to measure water and did not believe another weir would help.
- No resolution was settled upon.
- Motion to set the assessments for the year.
  - Same as last year, assessments set at .38 cents per cfs. – Approved
- Jeff Glemser advised it is a continual issue trying to find out who owns properties when the properties within the district are exchanged between people. The only recourse is to turn the water off for those who do not pay per Idaho Water Resource Board.
- Motion made for next annual 67A Water District meeting.
  - First Monday of February of 2016 (020116) – Approved
- Meeting was adjourned at 1530 hours.

## AGENDA

*WATER DISTRICT*

~~LITTLE WEISER IRRIGATION DISTRICT - 67A~~

Annual Meeting

February 3, 2015

Call to order: 1:30 p.m. at the Indian Valley Fire Station Meeting Room

Please sign in on sheet with contact information and email if possible.

### Purpose of annual meeting:

- Election of Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer, & Watermaster
- Minutes
- Old business
- Expense report
- Credential Committee
- Advisory Committee
- New business
- Vote for annual cost per share of water
- Discussion for placement of a weir to ensure appropriate shares of adjudicate water to the southern end of the irrigation district.
- Time & location of next annual meeting.
- Adjournment