

**Birch Creek Water Users
Annual Meeting agenda
January 8, 2018**

Place: Oakley Canal Company
Date: January 8, 2018
Time: 10:00 am

I. Elections

1. Election of officers
2. Appoint meeting Secretary
3. Appoint Watermaster

II. Minutes from Last Meeting

III. Financial Report

1. Financial reports for 2018 – Bank balance \$22,246.80
2. Delinquent accounts
3. Budget for 2018
4. Payment of fees for 2018

IV. Watermaster Report for 2018

V. Old Business

1. Clean ditch
2. Trade Agreement
3. Date for opening Season

VI. New Business

1. Water agreement
2. Season opening day

**BIRCH CREEK WATER USERS ANNUAL MEETING
MINUTES
January 8, 2018
10:00 AM
OAKLEY CANAL COMPANY OFFICE**

PRESENT:

Blake Matthews
Tim Payton
James Mullen
Deanne Manning
Sally McMurray

Chantry Whittle
Marilyn Short
Jana Reeder –DWR
Kent Austin - DWR
Ryan Hawker

AnnaLee Anderson
John Dayley
Brett Jones

President, Blake Matthews called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Oakley Canal Company Office at 100 West Elm Street, Oakley, Idaho.

I. Elections:

1. Meeting Secretary: Tim Payton made a motion to appoint Marilyn Short the meeting secretary, Brett Jones seconded the motion. All agreed, motion carried.

2. Election of Officers: Ryan Hawker made a motion that the officers remain the same for another year. Tim Payton seconded the motion. All agreed, motion carried. The officers will remain as follows:

Blake Matthews – president
Tim Payton – Sec/ treas.

3. Water master appointment: Ryan Hawker made a motion to continue the contract with Oakley Canal Co. for Water master responsibilities, with Chantry Whittle acting as the water master. Brett Jones seconded the motion, all approved, motion carried.

II. Minutes:

The minutes of the 2017 Annual Birch Creek Annual meeting were read by Marilyn Short. Tim Payton made a motion to approve the minutes, Ryan Hawker seconded the motion, all approved, motion carried.

III. Financial Report:

Marilyn Short was asked to present the financial report. The current bank balance is \$23,089.44. Four fees were presented for payment: \$5000.00 to Oakley Canal Company for the 2016 water master fees, \$300.00 to Marilyn Short for Secretarial Fees, \$1000 for the measuring devices, \$1440 for the water storage fee for the 2017 water season. Marilyn will invoice BC for those fees. Brett Jones made a motion to pay the bills, Tim Payton seconded the motion all agreed, motion carried. There was discussion about the trade agreement and fees agreed upon. It is based upon 73.94 shares times \$19 per share.

IV. Water master Report: The water master report was given by Chantry Whittle. There was an abundance of water in 2017 due to our high snow packs and stream flows. Manning's used 9222" and Cranny's used 8600". The amount used by town people will be determined soon.

V. Old Business:

1. The trade agreement was again discussed. Chantry Whittle's proposal was read by Blake Matthews and presented for discussion. The proposal guarantees water to town people every year even dry year. Several suggestions were made and Chantry was asked to make a couple of changes before presenting it to the OCC board for approval. Ryan Cranney made a motion that the proposal be presented to the OCC board of directors for their approval, Jim McBride seconded the motion, all agreed, motion carried.
2. Blake Matthews suggested that a committee be formed to meet with James Mullen and work with him on the projects that need to be done this year. Jim McBride made a motion to form a committee consisting of Jim McBride, Tim Payton, Ryan Cranney, and Ryan Hawker, to meet with James Mullen on any future Birch Creek projects.
3. Chantry Whittle mentioned that Earl Dayley had asked the board if anything can be done about cleaning out the ditches from Judy's café to Poplar Street. The ditch runs through property that is badly neglected. There was much discussion on the matter and it will be looked into.

VI. New Business:

1. Delinquent accounts was discussed. It was reported that LaVar
2. Whittle purchased the Castaneda's place and that account should have been paid at the time of sale. John Dayley asked what happens to shares of delinquent accounts. Finding these people has been difficult and Jana Reeder said she would discuss it with her staff at DWR. The decision was tabled for now pending more information.
3. The new Trade agreement was discussed. Chantry Whittle reviewed it for everyone and answered questions concerning it. Several members agreed that it was the most fair agreement and expressed approval. The assessment fees will be paid by the irrigation district Brett Jones made a motion to accept the trade agreement for another year. John Dayley seconded the motion. All agreed, motion carried.
4. The 2018 budget was discussed. There were inquiries about any repairs or expenses that might be incurred this year. There was discussion about the excavating work James Mullen did last year and that the problems of last year appeared to be solved. It was felt that there were no new projects for this year and that the budget could remain the same as last year.

5. The official opening day of this season will be April 15, 2018

The next Annual board meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 7th, 2019 at 10:00 am at the Oakley Canal Company office. Brett Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ryan Hawker seconded the motion and meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

President

Secretary