

**BIRCH CREEK WATER USERS ANNUAL MEETING
MINUTES
January 7, 2019
10:00 AM
OAKLEY CANAL COMPANY OFFICE**

PRESENT:

Blake Matthews	Heidi Lloyd
Brett Jones	Marilyn Short
James Mullen	
Ryan Hawker	

President, Blake Matthews called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. The meeting was held at the Oakley Canal Company Office at 100 West Elm Street, Oakley, Idaho.

I. Elections:

1. Meeting Secretary: Ryan Hawker made a motion to appoint Heidi Lloyd 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. Brett Jones 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 2018 Annual Birch Creek Annual meeting were read personally. Ryan Hawker made a motion to approve the minutes, Brett Jones seconded the motion, all approved, motion carried.

III. Financial Report:

Marilyn Short was asked to present the financial report. The current bank balance is \$24601.14. Four fees were presented for payment: \$5000.00 to Oakley Canal Company for the 2018 water master fees, \$300.00 to Marilyn Short for Secretarial Fees, \$1000 for the measuring devices, \$1440 for the water storage fee for the 2018 water season. Marilyn will invoice BC for those fees. Ryan Hawker made a motion to pay the bills, Brett Jones 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 James Mullen.. Manning's used 7036" and Cranny's used 3708". The amount used by town people will be determined soon.

V. Old Business:

1. Delinquent accounts were discussed. It was reported that LaVar 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. The official opening day of this season will be April 15, 2018

VI. New Business:

1. James Mullen requested higher banks at the main diversion to help prevent any water on the roadways.
2. . The Trade agreement was discussed. Members agreed that it was a 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. Ryan Hawker seconded the motion. All agreed, motion carried.
3. After some discussion, it was agreed upon that the Trade Agreement will be renamed as The Birch Creek / Oakley Canal Company Feeder Agreement. Brett Jones made a motion to approve the name change, Ryan Hawker seconded the motion. All agreed motion carried.
4. The 2019 budget was discussed. 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, 2019.

The next Annual board meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 6th, 2020 at 10:00 am at the Oakley Canal Company office. Ryan Hawker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Brett Jones seconded the motion and meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

President

Secretary