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February 11, 2005

Nate Robinson
1853 S 400 W
Oakley, ID 83346

RE: Water District 45-B, Birch Creek

Dear Mr. Robinson;

We have received the minutes of this year's water meeting showing that you have again been elected as treasurer of your district. An oath of office is enclosed for your signature. Please return the notarized oath to this office so that your certificate of appointment can be issued. We did not receive your oath for last year, so you were never appointed; let's not make the same mistake this year.

I previously gave two Adopted Budget forms to Clint, and I assume that he has given them to you. Please return one completed copy of the Budget to me for inclusion in the District file for this year.

Regards,

James E. Stanton
Sr. Water Resource Agent



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Clint Muhlestein
PO Box 207
Oakley, ID 83346

RE: Water District 45-B, Birch Creek

Dear Clint;

We have received the minutes of this year's water meeting showing that you have again been elected as watermaster of your district. An oath of office is enclosed for your signature. Please return the notarized oath to this office so that your certificate of appointment can be issued.

A thought just struck me regarding your budgeting system. I noticed that some minimum users show 0 delivered water and some have small volumes. I was under the impression that all of these \$40 people were just charged \$40, but maybe I misunderstood. If they are charged \$40 PLUS an additional amount based on their actual deliveries, then you need to show the total cost for each of these people. The total amount delivered would then be the total of all the deliveries to all the users. Anyway, we need to work this out for the next watermaster's report so that we both have the same understanding of the process; let's talk about it then.

Regards,

James E. Stanton
Sr. Water Resource Agent

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**BIRCH CREEK WATER USERS MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2005
7:00 P.M.
OAKLEY CANAL COMPANY OFFICE**

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Southern Region

PRESENT

- Robert Bell
- Tim Payton
- Randy Robinson
- Clint Muhlestein
- Nate Robinson for Dutch Robinson
- Robert Manning
- Jim McBride
- Camille Muhlestein

Tim Payton called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. The meeting was held at the Oakley Canal Company Office at 100 West Elm Street, Oakley, Idaho.

ELECTIONS

Robert Manning made a motion to keep all existing officers, the motion was seconded by Jim McBride, motion carried. The officers are Nate Robinson, Treasurer, and Tim Payton, President.

A motion to elect the Oakley Canal Company as the Birch Creek Water Users secretary, by Robert Manning, seconded by Robert Bell, motion carried.

Motion to re-hire Clint Muhlestein as Watermaster and Ditchrider for \$5000. Was made by Robert Manning, motion seconded by Nate Robinson, motion carried.

BUDGET

A motion was made by Robert Manning to set the budget at \$7500, the motion was seconded by Jim McBride, motion carried. Robert Bell made a motion to set the minimum water assessment to \$40, Robert Manning seconded it, motion carried. The budget will cover \$2102 for FHA payments, \$5000 for Watermaster expenses, and \$500-1200 for the protest. The raised \$40 assessment will help cover attorney's fees.

Randy Robinson agreed that the Oakley Canal Company would pay the \$440 assessment on the 45-B water, for the concrete ditch.

MINUTES

Robert Manning made a motion not to charge for water when it gets down to 80", Jim McBride seconded the motion, motion carried.

Robert Bell made a motion that no Birch Creek water will be sent until it is paid for, motion seconded by Jim McBride, motion carried.

Robert Bell made a motion to charge interest to people who weren't paying their Birch Creek water bill, motion denied, not all in favor.

Robert Manning motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.