

Minutes of Marsh Creek Water District #45-F  
Annual Water Meeting  
March 5,2001

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The meeting held at The Albion Senior Citizen Center was called to order by Chairman Tom Geary at 2.00 P.M. Members present were Sern Sorensen, Mike Kossler (Six S Ranch), Stewart Waldermar (City of Albion), Randy Brackenbury, Bennie Smyer, Richard Adams, Earl L. Warthen, Tom Geary, Ronald Sorensen, Don G. Gunderson, Helen Anderson, Lee Jolley, Eldon Adams, Shirley A. Clark, Leo Bell, Allen Merritt (IDWR-Southern region), George Kelley, Connie Geary, Don Merrill, Kevin Clark, Iona Bailey, Arlene Meyer, John Burrows ( A.W. Anderson), Jeff Chatburn, Mike O'Farrell (UDSA Forest Service), Zeke Zimmerman ( USDA Forest Service) , Gwen Montgomery, Grant Clark and Lorna Reeder.

The previous years minutes for March 6,2000 were read and Bennie Smyer made a motion to accept the minutes as read and it was seconded by Iona Bailey and passed with no dissenting votes.

New Business:

The election for the 2001 Chairman and Secretary was carried out. Tom Geary was nominated by Bennie Smyer and Seconded by Mike Kossler. There being no other nominations Bennie Smyer made a motion that nominations cease and it seconded by Gwen Montgomery and passed with no dissenting votes. Tom Geary was elected Chairman for 2001.

The Election for the Secretary Treasurer was carried out. Ronald Sorensen was nominated by Jeff Chatburn and seconded by Gwen Montgomery. There being no other nominations Ronald Sorensen was elected by acclamation.

The proposed Water District Budget of 2001 For \$13622.00 (which contains the following expenditures Water Master Salary of \$9632.00, Secretary Treasurer Fee of \$500.00, and Miscellaneous Fees of \$3490.00 was presented along with Resolution B (all water Bills paid by April 1<sup>st</sup>) along with sub paragraphs 1 A and 1B, and Resolution 2 which calls for the Water masters term of service to be 12 months. Don Merrill made a motion to approve the Budget as presented and Iona Bailey seconded it. The Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

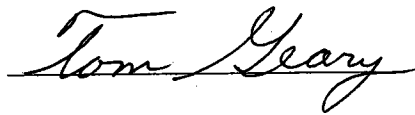
The election of the Water Master was carried out. Mike Kossler representing Six S Ranch called for a vote based on the number of votes each water user is entitled to under his Annual 5-year Average water assessments. Grant Clark raised two issues 1. That Mr. Kossler could not represent Six S ranch in the voting for a Water Master and 2. That he didn't think that the 5 year average method of voting was legal. Mr. Allen Merritt Of

IDWR responded to both Issues and replied that Mike Kossler could vote Six S Ranch Votes and in addition reread the Idaho State Law regarding the voting by Five year assessments twice to Mr. Clark. Mr. Clark indicated he still didn't agree with the Law. The election continued on after the discussion. Under this method a Credentials Committee was appointed by the Chairman, consisting of Lee Jolley, Randy Brackenbury, and Donald Merrill to determine the votes for this election. Donald G. Gunderson was nominated by Mike Kossler (Six-S Ranch) and seconded by Jeff Chatburn. Kevin Clark was nominated by Grant Clark and seconded by Iona Bailey. A review of the votes were conducted by the Credentials Committee and it was determined that Donald Gunderson was to be elected Water Master and Kevin Clark withdrew from the election.

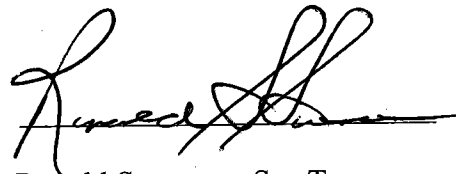
The 2001 Irrigation Advisory Board was appointed by Chairman Geary. They are Mike Kossler ( Six S Ranch), Jeff Chatburn, and Gwen Montgomery.

Grant Clark earlier in the meeting had brought up a possible change in the meeting date wanting to move it to an earlier date at which time it was decided to take it up under miscellaneous business. When it came time for Mr. Clark to present the motion he had already left the meeting and the motion died as no one cared to present it.

There being no further business Richard Adams made a motion to Adjourn The Meeting and it was seconded by Bennie Smyer and passed with no dissenting votes. The meeting adjourned at 4:51 P.M.



Tom Geary- Chairman



Ronald Sorensen- Sec Treasurer