June 26, 1995

Jimmie Dowton, Secretary HC 62 Box 2320 May, ID 83253

RE: Water District No. 73

Dear Mr. Dowton:

We acknowledge receipt of the Minutes of the Annual Watermaster's Election Meeting held in your district.

Now we need the Oath of Office and the Petition for Watermaster Services forms before the watermaster can be officially certified in your district.

Sincerely,

Lisa Keiser Office Secretary MINUTES OF ANNUAL WATER MEETING
WATER DISTRICT # 73

PAHSIMEROI RIVER- CUSTER & LEMHI COUNTIES
MARCH 6, 1995

The annual water meeting of Water District #73 was held at the May Grange Hall at May, Id on March 6, 1995, at 1:10 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roy Ellis. Jim Dowton,

Secretary, read the minutes of the 1994 meeting. A motion was made by Leon Ziegler to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by approved.

Seconded by Ferd Zollinger. All

There were 20 in attendance, with several women from the P.T.A. at the meeting.

Business Discussed: Resolutions #1-#2-#3-#4-#5_#6 from the 1994 meeting. These are also enclosed on the Resolution Page.

RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION-

#1- (#1-from 1994 resolutions) That the watermaster shall be elected at said meeting, and that the district will also appoint him with authority on down the ditches to be ditch rider. The watermaster will do his own billings for ditch rider and fees set by him and the ditch users. The users on the individual ditches will be the only ones charge if the ditch rider is called on down the ditch. The bill will be divided evenly among ditch users that call for the ditch rider. If the ditch rider cannot collect bills during the water season he will turn them over to Water District #73 for collection. Water users with unpaid bills shall not have the right to demand and receive any water for the coming season and the watermaster shall not deliver water to any user until the amount has been paid. Motion to adopt this resolution was made by Ferd Zollinger and seconded by Ted O"Neal. All voted in favor. **NOTE-Watermasters authority to the point of diversion. Ditch Rider from there on down the ditch.

#2- (#2 from 1994 resolutions)-That Water District #73 shall do own billing and collections. Payable or due May 1 or before water use. There will be a charge of 8% interest annually from said date until paid. Resolved: That no water user shall have the right to demand and receive water, and the watermaster shall not deliver to such user until the amount due and payable from such user, as fixed by the budget, has been paid. Resolution made by Leon Ziegler, seconded by George Miller. All voted in favor.

#3- (#3-1994 Resolutions)-Resolution to combine Credentials and Advisory Board.

Appointed by Chairman Roy Ellis-made motion to leave the same as last year if there were no objections. Leon Ziegler made the motion to accept the chairman's suggestion to leave the same as last year. Seconded by Rich Dinges. All approved.
BOARD SELECTION:

1. Larry Whittier

4. Ted O'Neal

2. Ralph Hatch

5. Duane Moen

3. Ferd Zollinger

Advisory Board can act for District for the season, but Watermaster can council with advisory board if needed. This board will draw no salary, nor would it have any legal authority. Watermaster has final say. Its duty would be to work for peace and harmony among the water users.

 $\#4-(\#4-1994\ \text{Water Meeting})$ Request by watermaster for weirs and proper measuring devices be upgraded or put in by the individual users, starting with areas needing them most. Continue to work on this. Motion made by Ferd Zollinger, seconded by Jack Whitworth. All approved.

#5- (#5-1994 Water Meeting) Proposal from Water Clerk & Treasurer that the Water District adopt a resolution that the Clerk-Treas. salary portion that is paid by the water master should be included in the District's budget because most of the time the Watermaster does not know that they have to pay half of the clerk's salary and they have not included it in their bid. Motion was made by Ferd Zollinger to adopt resolution. Seconded by Larry Whittier. All approved.

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#6- Proposed Budget for 1995-----\$2400.00 (Secretary, -----\$250.00

Clerk/Treasurer----\$800.00

Other Expenses-(rent-postage

billing supplies- and other

costs incurred by water master & dist.)

PLUS WATERMASTER BID-

\$1400.00/MONTH/5 MO.+ \$326.62 7 DAYS OCT.

WATERMASTER-

\$7326.62

(If called out earlier than May 1watermaster will be compensated for days called out at the rate of -\$46.66 a day) Budgeted for 5 months + 7 days for October-

BUDGET TOTAL--\$9726.62

(With adjustments for debits and credits from the 1994 Report) Resolution to adopt budget was made by George Miller, seconded by Ralph Hatch. Passed unanimously.

#7-Opening of Watermaster Bids-Call for bids from the floor, there were none.

Opened Watermaster Bid from

Troy Ziegler-\$1400.00 a month for 5 months + 7 days Oct. regardless of miles called out.

There being only one bid a motion was made by Jim Martiny and seconded by Doug Robbins to accept Troy Zieglers bid for watermaster for 1995. passed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS--Chairman Roy Ellis would like to have a new chairman selected. Motion was made by Jim Martiny to nominate Ralph Hatch, seconded by Leon Ziegler, Ted O'Neal moved to close nominations. Seconded by Rich Dinges. Motion passed. Motion made by Jim Martiny to retain Jim Dowton as secretary, George Miller seconded, and Ted O'Neal made motion to cease nominations, Jack Whitworth seconded. Motion passed. Ted O'Neal made motion to retain Maria Dowton as clerk/ treasurer. Seconded by Martiny. George Miller moved nominations cease. Motion passed.

Officers for 1995:

Chairman-----Ralph Hatch Secretary-----Jimmie L. Dowton Clerk & Treasurer---Maria Elena Dowton

OTHER BUSINESS--Duane Moen discussed with the water users about the district writing a letter to The Salmon River Electric requesting an adjustment on the demand on the pump meters for the months of April and October because the pumps were usually only used for a few days during those months. The district decided to write a formal request to that

effect and have the chairman and secretary sign the letter.
There was a question from the floor, from Ferd Zollinger whether there is a moratorium on drilling permits in the valley.

Also a question about what the snow depths are for our area.

DonO'Neal requested information on why last years water billings took a big increase. It was explained that the billings were calculated with a formula that includes the total C.F.S. usage for the prior year and the amount budgeted for the currant year. The watermaster fees have increased and it reflects in the amount billed to the water users. He was invited to come down and look at the water books to see how the billings are made.

Leon Ziegler made the motion to adjoin. Seconded by George Miller.

Passed. Time- 2:15 p.m.

JIMMIE L. DOWTON, SEC. -- Jumie L. Dowler.

RALPH HATCH, CHAIRMAN-----