

Morgan Cr. Water Dist. #72F

Annual Meeting

February, 21, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Hawkins at 7:15 on Feb. 21, 2007 at the home of Pat and Jerry Hawkins. Those in attendance were Pat & Jerry Hawkins, Nyle & Ann Thornock, Clay Jones, Jim & Tina Hawkins, and Delbert Hughes.

Copies of the minutes of our last annual meeting were given to everyone to read over. They were approved as written. The first question was from Delbert Hughes, concerning the amount of space a ditch user has when using the right-of-way while doing maintenance work. Jim told him that Idaho State Law allows 50 feet on each side from the center of the ditch. Clay told Debert that this access is only on the ditch bank proper, and access is from "UP" the ditch, not across the country. This discussion brought up the progress of fish screen installations on Morgan Cr.. At this time all of Water Dist. 72F diversions are screened except those on Corral Cr., Van Horn Cr., and Clay Jones 3 upper diversions, (high line ditch, big ditch & small ditch) Some of the fish screens have been built for these diversions, and the bottle-neck is getting a work permit from the USFS to put them in. There are measuring devices on all diversions except the Van Horn, Cow Camp ditch. Jerry and Delbert discussed putting the measuring flume right at the property fence line to circumvent the flawed work permitting process.

The Chairman asked for the 2007 treasurers report. We had a beginning balance of \$326.89, the Workmens Comp. Ins. was paid on 1/22/07 for this year, at a cost of \$240.00, leaving \$86.89 balance in the checking account at the time of this meeting. Jerry Hawkins moved the treasurers report be approved, Nyle Thornock seconded and it passed unanimously. Delbert then paid his 2006 water assessment of \$913.32, bringing our balance to \$1000.21.

The next topic was "lockable, measureable, headgates" that are required. At this time we cannot put in any more of the "bubbler type" fish screens, due to Natl. Marine Fisheries rules. We now break rules because we don't have a fish screen, but we would break another rule if we installed the fish screens that we now have. Jerry Hawkins moved that we leave all the unscreened/unheadgated diversions as they are, UNTIL such time that the Idaho Fish & Game and the Idaho Dept. of Water Res can come up with a solution to our dilemma. Nyle seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Chairman Jim Hawkins asked Jerry if he would pursue this question with the agencies for our water dist. Jerry agreed to.

Pat Hawkins (2006 Water Master) asked about the need for weekly water measurement trips. Chairman Jim responded, that once a week is currently requested by IDWR. She agreed to continue with weekly trips.

The Thompson Cr. Mine/IDWR lawsuit was then discussed. We all agreed that TCM has a very good point and we would be willing to help with actions (ie: letters, attend meetings) but our financial abilities are zilch. A letter of support will be sent to Thompson Cr. Mine.

2007 BUDGET - MORGAN CR. IRRIGATION DISTRICT 72F

REVENUE:

Balance in account from 2005	<u>\$ 326.89</u>
(Decreed inches of water on Morgan Cr. 53.735 x \$46.53)	
Assessments	<u>\$2,500.29</u>
Total in account for 2006	<u>\$2,827.18</u>

EXPENSES:

Office supplies & expenses	23.75
Water master Workman Compensation Insurance	\$240.00
Water master mileage reimbursement	\$2,406.25
55 mile loop x 25 trips = 1375 miles	
1375 x \$1.75 = \$2,406.25	
(25 trips = approx. 1 per week, Apr. to Sept.)	

TOTAL EXPENSES \$2,670.00

BALANCE IN ACCOUNT \$ 156.54

Date

Feb. 21, 2007

Chairman

James W. Hawkins

Sec/Treas.

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Watermaster
