

March 25, 1996

CAROL HOOPES, Secretary
PO BOX 65
DUBOIS ID 83423

RE: Water District No. 32-D

Dear Ms. Hoopes:

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

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

Sincerely,

Harold W Jones
Water Rights Supervisor

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**ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING
BIRCH CREEK WATER DISTRICT #32-D
March 11, 1996**

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The meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Clark County Courthouse.

Those attending were: Steven Ball, IDWR; Keith Wilson, IDWR; Don Shenton, Watermaster; Greg Shenton, Deputy Watermaster; Mac Wagoner, Betty Wagoner, Andy Wagoner, Jim DeMordaunt, Mark Orchard, Mrs. Mark Orchard, Lewis Newman, Lane Newman, Keith Bramwell, Tera Fortner, Ted Sorenson, Hugh Sorenson and Nate Bridges.

Chairman Mac Wagoner called the meeting to order by having Acting Secretary Carol Hoopes read the minutes of the 1995 water meeting. Jim DeMordaunt moved the minutes be accepted as read. Lewis Newman, seconded the motion, and motion passed.

Chairman Mac Wagoner asked for nomination for Chairman and Secretary for the water district . Jim DeMordaunt made the motion that Mac Wagoner continue as Chairman and Carol Hoopes continue as Secretary. Lewis Newman, seconded the motion, and motion passed .

Chairman Mac Wagoner appointed Mark Orchard, LaVar Newman and Ted Sorenson to serve on the credentials committee this year.

Watermaster Don Shenton presented his watermaster's report for 1995. Don discussed the cloud seeding program. He feels that it should be continued for another year. Don discussed the seepage loss in the Birch Creek Channel and he had a chart showing the average losses in c.f.s. and percent of loss by month from May through October. He then told the water user that the weir measurements would be taken three times a year instead of just two times. Jim DeMordaunt moved that the district approve Don's watermasters report, also his proposed budget for the year and the three resolution. Lewis Newman seconded the motion and motion passed.

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The three resolutions reads as follows:

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No ditch, canal, or other water user shall have the right to demand and receive water until full payment due is paid. Payment shall become due April 1 and shall become delinquent May 1 and if not paid by May 1, the payment shall bear interest from April 1 at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum.

The Watermaster shall not deliver any water until full payment due is paid.

WATERMASTER TERM OF SERVICE

The Watermaster shall be elected for a term of one full year. The purpose is so the Watermaster can serve in the legal capacity to do official business for the district in the event of emergencies, legislative actions, hearings, disputes or other water related or job related activities.

The Watermaster cannot be required to make water deliveries before April 1, or after November 1, (the normal irrigation season) unless an emergency exists. The Watermaster shall not be paid before April 15, or after November 1, from the water district budgeted regular funds.

HEADGATES AND WEIRS

All control devices and measuring devices shall be in good working order before water can be demanded or delivered. The Watermaster shall not deliver any water unless such devices are in good working order.

Jim DeMordaunt moved that we maintain the same Watermaster, Don Shenton, and the same Deputy Watermaster, Greg Shenton, as before. Lewis Newman, seconded the motion and it passed. (The Watermaster's

salary will be \$4,000.00, Deputy Watermaster salary for mileage is \$2,200.00 and the Secretary's salary will be \$200.00) Don also inform the water users that he planned to be gone for several months this summer to Alaska, and if that was a problem they should replace him as Watermaster.

Chairman Mac Wagoner appointed the following advisory board to serve this year. They are Lewis Newman, Mark Orchard , Andy Wagoner an Ted Sorenson.

A resolution by Ted Sorenson, seconded by Jim DeMordaunt to allow Nate Bridges to receive water to care for his lawn at the Lone Pine for the coming year.

Tera Fortner request to receive water to care for there lawn and animal at the Birch Creek Inn. Ted Sorenson made a motion to allow them the water, Hugh Sorenson seconded the motion. After a call for a vote motion failed.

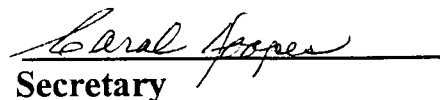
Keith Wilson and Steven Ball from IDWR gave a short up date on the adjudication progress.

Lewis Newman moved that the annual water meeting for next year be held March 10, 1997, at 10:00 a.m. at the Clark County Courthouse, and Jim DeMordaunt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The group requested that Don Shenton and Andy Wagoner follow up on the request to Soil Conservation Service to set up a snow measuring course in the Birch Creek valley.

Lewis Newman moved the meeting adjourn, Jim DeMordaunt seconded the motion, and it passed. The meeting closed around 11:30 a.m.


Chairman


Secretary

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