

**BIG COTTONWOOD WATER USERS  
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES  
January 18, 2011  
10:00 a.m.  
OAKLEY CANAL COMPANY**

**PRESENT:**

Tyler Cranney	Mike Todd
Jared Mitton	Marilyn Short
Shane Lierman	James Mullen
David Pickett	Rod King
Russell Patterson	Travis Patton

**NOT PRESENT:**

Ryan Cranney

I. Jared Mitton, Secretary/Treasurer called the annual meeting of the Cottonwood Water Users to order at 10:07 a.m., on January 18, 2011. Ryan Cranney was excused, Tyler Cranney is attending in his place. The meeting was held at the Oakley Canal Company Office located at 100 West Elm St. Oakley, Idaho.

II. **Appointment of Secretary** David Pickett suggested retaining Marilyn Short as meeting secretary. Jared Mitton called for a vote and all approved.

III. **Minutes:** Marilyn Short read the minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting. David Pickett made the motion to approve the minutes. Mike Todd seconded the motion. All approved.

IV. **Election of officers:** David Pickett made a motion to retain the current officers. Tyler Cranney seconded the motion, the voting was unanimous in favor of the motion. The officers are: Ryan Cranney - President, Jared Mitton - Secretary/Treasurer.

The board of advisors will remain the same also:

Mike Todd  
Jared Mitton  
David Pickett  
Triple Ace- Russell Patterson

Jared Mitton asked the board to retain Rod King as Watermaster. Russell Paterson so moved and Tyler Cranney seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous to retain Rod as Watermaster

V. **Financial Report:** The board reviewed the financial reports. As of January 18, 2011, there was \$13,253.39 in the checking account. The Oakley Canal Company's 2011 assessment fee is \$5,500.00, including the secretarial fee of \$300.00. The accounts receivable figures were questioned. Marilyn reported that the figures in the computer were incorrect and were carried forward from previous years. She will call Kerry Arratt's office to remove the incorrect figures. The district in fact has no accounts receivable.

The board voted to keep the budget the same for 2011, at \$5500.00

VII. **Watermaster's Report:** Rod King gave the Watermaster's report.

Snow pack level at Bostetter is 36" snow depth - 10.0" water equivalency

In 2010 it was: 29" 8.1

We are a little ahead of last year. Jared Mitton stated the he did some research on the Snotel figures compared to the amount of water allotted in the spring. He noted that the Snotel figures on or about January 15<sup>th</sup> are half the amount of water available for irrigation. He also noted that it has been very consistent for the last 30 years

### **VIII. Old Business:**

The following items were discussed from old business:

1. The cement ditch from the lower diversion needs the bad spots repaired due to the large chunks of concrete broken. After much discussion it was decided the project needs to be done before it is further damaged. Travis Patton reported That he will be doing some concrete work and could order extra concrete with his load. David Pickett suggested Travis call a crew together to help with the repair work
2. The cement check above lower diversion needs repaired, on the south side. It needs cement work in the bottom of the check to shore it up. This has been done.
3. They need to replace cement diversion for 3 aces and Arden Cranney. This has been done
4. Check board opening in east side of the main diversion needs modified. James Mullen suggested rebuilding the east check board opening to match the west side. Dave Pickett made a motion to have James design and build the gate. Jared seconded the motion. All approved . This has been done.
5. James Mullen suggested taking the grader to shave the dirt and rocks off the north side of the cement ditch west of the box on Mountain Rd to the settling pond, to keep the debris from falling into the cement ditch. Doug Cranney mentioned he could do this job. This was done last year.
6. James Mullen explained the problems with the gate at the main diversion and that a new gate needed to be designed to prevent the gravel buildup problems. David Pickett suggested James design a different kind of gate that would correct the problem and present it at the next annual meeting. This was done...
7. James Mullen reported that the flood channel pipe needs to be dug up and the leak fixed. The board decided to wait and watch the leak for another year.
8. Dave Pickett mentioned the cleaning assignment of the cement ditch from Jared Mitton's house across the flats. Frank Bedke will be responsible for cleaning it this year (2011) the Pickets will be responsible for it in 2012.

### **IX. New Business**

1. David Pickett reported on a bridge that was damaged by fire. He suggested that perhaps it could be replaced with a culvert. James Mullen replied that would cause problems with weeds plugging up the culvert. James suggested the bridge be replaced with a steel bridge. Tyler Cranney said he may have some old pipe and David Pickett said he too may have pipe. The two will work on rebuilding the bridge

The next meeting was scheduled for 10:00am, January 24, 2012. Here at the Canal office

David Pickett made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mike Todd seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.

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President

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Secretary/Treasurer