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Director

March 27, 2006

Valerie Olson
151 Geertson Creek
Salmon, ID 83467

RE: Water District No. 74-A

Dear Valerie:

We acknowledge receipt of the Minutes of the Annual Watermaster's Election Meeting held in your district. The Watermaster Certificate will be sent under separate cover.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis M. Dunn". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Dennis Dunn
Senior Water Right Agent

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ANNUAL WATER MEETING
MARCH 1, 2006
DISTRICT 74-A GEERTSON CREEK

The annual water meeting was called to order at the Boyd Stokes residence on March 1, 2006 at 7:00 pm. Those present were: Joe Tonsmeire, Dale Jolley, Dave Antonelli, Boyd Stokes, Verdell Olson & Valerie Olson.

President Boyd Stokes called the meeting to order and secretary Valerie Olson passed out a copy of the estimated budget and a copy of the checking transaction report for 2005. Valerie read last years minutes and they were approved.

Verdell nominated Boyd as president for 2006, Valerie was nominated as Secretary. It was seconded and approved unanimously. Verdell was nominated as water master by Dave and it was seconded by Joe.

Mr Jolley suggested are minutes by more detailed and signed by the president and secretary. Verdell and Boyd discussed how to make it easier to measure the water. It was suggested that all head gates need to have pressure on them, and be functional. Once the water is delivered by the water master no one is to increase pressure. All water users must notify the water master before turning water on in the spring, so he is aware of where the water is. Motioned by Verdell, seconded by Dave.

Due to anticipated high water run off this spring, there was a concern by all, of the debris in the creek that could change the channel of the creek and effect the diversions. Dave volunteered to call Mr. Martin for permission to check his stream channels thru his ranch. This was approved by Boyd, and seconded by Joe.

Mr. Jolley discussed the gulsh water used by Dave Antonelli and they agreeded that is has decreased dramatically over the years. Mr. Jolley also discussed the lake water, and it was noted that the creek is measured the day before the lake is turned on.

The 2006 budget was discussed and members agreed that there be a small increase in the water assessments tax as the extra funds in the checking accounts are getting low. It was agreed to increase the water tax 100.00 total, and Verdell offered to give back 100.00 of the watermaster's fee. This will increase the budget 200.00 a year.

The proposed budget for 2006 is as follows:

- Water master compensation: \$2202.00
- Fica/Fed payroll tax: \$198.00
- Workmans Comp insurance: \$300.00
- Secretary Wages: \$200.00
- Stamps; \$7.40
- Total: 2907.40

Checking/Saving account balance as of Jan. 1, 2006

- Eastern Idaho Credit Union: \$519.61

Water master salary:

- Gross salary: \$1300.00
- Miliage expense: \$ 1100.00
- Total: \$2400.00

Water master call schedule for 2006

- April 1 - April 30, 1 call weekly or as needed.
- May 1 - August 31, 2 call weekly or as needed.
- Sept. 1 - November 1, 1 call weekly or as needed.

Water assessments for 2006 are as follows:

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Joe Tonsmeire: .209% \$628.81
Verdell Olson: .088% \$265.81
Dave Antonelli: .076% \$229.81
Dale Jolley: .228% \$685.81
Dick Santos: .053% \$160.81
Vergil Olson: .054% \$163.81
Bert Jefferies: .111% \$334.81
Romaldo Martin: .176% \$529.81
Total waster assessment: 2999.48

Resolved: All water assessments are due and payable April 1, 2006. No water user shall have the right to demand and receive water, and the water master shall not deliver water to such persons, until the assessments, as set by the current budget are paid in full.

Resolved: That when one water user has his water shut off, whatever the reason, the water master will notify the other users who may want the water. High water is to be equally divided among all water users who want to use it.

Resolved: The water master is to be paid four times a year. 4/15/06 - 6/15/06 - 8/15/06. The last payment will be issued after the water master's report has been filed with the Water Resource and all locks (if being used) have been removed from the head gates at the end of the irrigation season.

The water master compensation is as follows:

\$325.00 salary less withholdings

\$275.00 mileage expense

Total: \$600.00 gross pay less withholdings

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Boyd Stokes - Chairman Valerie Olson - Secretary

 

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