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March 30, 2010

Laurie Small
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RE: Water District No. 31, 32-C, 32-D

Dear Secretary / Treasurer:

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,

Dennis Dunn
Senior Water Right Agent

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**ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING
BIRCH CREEK WATER DISTRICT #32-D**

The Birch Creek Water District 32-D Water Users meeting was held March 9, 2010, 10:00 a.m. at the Clark County Annex Building, Dubois Idaho.

Those attending were: Greg Shenton, Watermaster; Brett Murdock, Deputy Watermaster; Mac Wagoner, Chairman; Laurie Small, Secretary; Lewis Newman, Lane Newman, and Scott Bridges.

Chairman Mac Wagoner called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Lane Newman reported that Ted Sorenson gave him permission to vote on his behalf.

Minutes were read individually. Lane Newman made a motion to accept the previous year's minutes. Lewis Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN & SECRETARY

Chairman Mac Wagoner asked for nomination for Chairman and Secretary for the Water District. Lane Newman made a motion that Mac Wagoner continue as Chairman and Laurie Small continue as Secretary. Lewis Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Chairman Mac Wagoner waived appointing a Credentials Committee at this time. If they are needed later they can be appointed then.

WATERMASTERS REPORT

Watermaster Greg Shenton presented his Watermaster's Report for the year 2009. The 2009 diverted flows totaled 19,804 A.F. up 3,405 from 2008 diverted and recorded flows. Snow course measurements were 75% of average at Meadow Lake, 107% of average at Beagle Springs, 73% of average at Haun and 84% of average at Spring Canyon with the last snow measurements taken on March 1, 2010. Snotel data was acquired on March 2, 2010. The losses recorded on the comparison bed loss measurements for the last year are estimated due to the highway weir being out. Plans to replace the highway weir will take place this spring. Greg gave averages on snow courses in surrounding areas as well. Greg went over the 2010 budget and asked if anyone had any questions or concerns with the report or the budget.

Lane Newman made a motion to approve the Watermaster's Report and adopt the proposed budget. Lewis Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ADOPTED BUDGET FOR 2010:

Water Master Salary, Mileage & Other	\$5,100.00
Secretary Salary	\$200.00
Snow Survey	\$600.00
USGS Measurements	\$500.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$6,400.00

NOMINATION FOR WATERMASTER

Lane Newman made the motion to have Greg Shenton continue as Watermaster and appoint a Deputy Watermaster. Lewis Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

RESOLUTIONS

Lane Newman made a motion that the Water District adopt the following resolutions:

COLLECTION OF WATER ASSESSMENT

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 15, and shall become delinquent May 15, and if not paid by May 15, the payment shall bear interest from April 15, 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 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 & 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.

USGS MEASUREMENTS

They agreed to continue with the 3 USGS measurement and it was included in the resolution motion.

Lewis Newman seconded the motion. All 4 resolutions passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY BOARD

Chairman Mac Wagoner reappointed the following to serve on the advisory board this year. Lewis Newman, Lane Newman, Andy Wagoner and Ted Sorenson.

OTHER BUSINESS

Lane Newman made a motion to allow Brandi Terry, Scott Bridges and Mrs. Sorenson to receive water for their lawns for the 2010 season and not be shown in daily record books, at no cost to them. Lewis Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Lewis Newman questioned productivity of the cloud seeding units in the area. Greg reported that it had not been a good weather year for cloud seeding. Idaho Power has installed 9 remote cloud seeding units and plans on putting in a total of 35. The cost to build one of these units is \$25,000 and the cost to run them was unknown at this time. Measurements are taken in target areas on both the remote and manual units to show productivity of the units. These target areas are within 4 to 6 miles of the cloud seeding units. Idaho Power is doing extensive testing on the effects of their units as well. Measurements on these target areas did not show much productivity due to weather conditions this season.

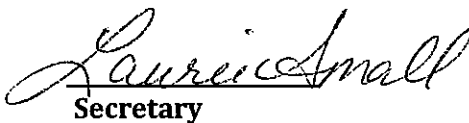
There was not a report from the IDWR.

MEETING TIME

Mac Wagoner asked for suggested dates for the next meeting. Lane Newman moved that the annual water meeting for next year be held Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. at the Clark County Annex Building. Lewis Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Chairman Mac Wagoner adjourned the meeting at 10:37 am.


Chairman


Secretary