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May 5, 2009

Lawrence Kimball
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C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER
Governor

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.
Director

RE: Water District 37-U, Fish Creek

Dear Lawrence;

We have received the the minutes of this year's water meeting confirming your re-election as watermaster. As we already have your notarized oath and a signed call-on petition, your certificate of appointment is enclosed.

We have also received your 2007 and 2008 watermaster reports, but neither contains your notarized signature. These documents are being returned to you for proper signatures.

Regards,

James E. Stanton
Sr. Water Resource Agent



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Dawn Bennion
PO Box 123
Carey, ID 83320

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Director

RE: Water District 37-U, Fish Creek

Dear Ms. Bennion;

We have received the minutes of this year's water meeting. Although the minutes do not confirm your election as treasurer for this year, the secretary normally performs this function also. If this is the case, we need a notarized oath of office before you can be appointed to the treasurer position. Once we receive your oath, your certificate of appointment will be issued. If someone else is the treasurer, please pass this on to them.

Regards,

James E. Stanton
Sr. Water Resource Agent

**Water Master Tax District 37 U Fish Creek
Election Meeting
March 10th, 2009**

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DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES
SOUTHERN REGION

Directors Present: Doug Surerus, Theron Fiscus, Jerry Cenarrusa,
Secretary: Dawn Bennion

Water Holders Present: John Parkinson, Rich Whitby, Sherrie Wilde, Bryan Wood, Lee Eldridge, Jim Cenarrusa, Kole Peck, Ronald Peck, Spence Ellsworth, Shirl Reay, Aaron Andrews, Lawrence Kimball, Elwyn Style

Meeting called to order 7:10

Doug opened the meeting. First is the discussing of the wages of the water master.. Lawrence wants to buy the pasture, but he knows that is off the table. He figures that he will need \$140 a day to pay his own taxes. Last year he was on 185 days. This year will match. It would be \$25,900.

Ronald nominates TK ranch as water master. It will only be Lawrence, not Darla. Spence Ellsworth seconds the nomination. Ronald nominates to cease nominations.

He is still covered by Bakers Insurance.

Aaron says that if he is a sub-contractor he has to carry his own insurance. We will have to cover him if he does not have any. We have a 1 million dollar policy with bakers on directors and the early warning system. Jerry and Lawrence will check it out to make sure his is covered.

A vote was taken and all the water users voted for Lawrence, (TK Ranch) to be Water Master. There was no opposed.

Doug gave an update on the proposal we put in to have the tunnels put in. 950 acres on the hot springs project. It looses 3-500 inches a day right now. It will cost around \$400,000.

The second project s Boring the tunnel. Then put a lake in after that, then have the rest in the pipeline. It would save another 2-300 inches a day. We could save 15-20 percent. 520 acres in this project.

If we have to fix the Reservoir then these projects will help to make is so that it can be a 6,000 instead of a 14,000 acre feet Dam.

We will keep trying to find money and hope that something comes up.

Bryan got the early warning system updated. It was \$1,900 to do the update. It is in working order and up to standards with IDWR.

We will send out letters as soon as I am a notary. Then they will bring in their old certificates and get the new ones.

We may hear in the next week or so. Then we can give us more updates in the upcoming meetings.

Doug read the e-mail from Wayne Hammon that he received our e-mail and will prepare it to go to the governor.

We need to file on the high water, so that no one else can take it from us. Chip put us on the petition, so we now have a say in the lawsuit. They say we are impeding their water. We need to get qualified recharge. To do this we will have to put in test wells.

November third will be the election. Chip will be up this year. They have to get signatures and give them to Dawn.

We need to send Jeff a Thank you for all the work he did.

Let is know if there are any projects or funding so that we can get our names in.

Jim asked if we could build a smaller one below the original. Doug thinks that it is best to keep what we have. If we don't get enough money we could go the cheap was and put big rock in and that way it would not be as much a danger.

Doug talked about taking Wayne Wright up to the dam and see if we can also make it a fishery. We may even get the Governor out here himself with Nate's help.

Jerry wants to know what CH2MHill is doing. Doug says they are going to come in and do 5 core drills next week.

We will set the budget around the end of April, the first of May.

Ronald nominates to adjourn meeting . Elwyn seconds the motion. Meeting closed at 8:14.