

MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL ROCK CREEK WATER DISTRICT 47-0 MEETING

March 2, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Ken Mulberry the 2009 meeting chairman. There were 11 Rock Creek Users represented and Jeff Cooper and Allen Merritt of the IDWR.

The 2008 minutes were read and approved.

There were some questions concerning the contents of the minutes about the District expansion. Allen Merritt stated that it would probably include the complete Rock Creek drainage, and its tributaries, all the way to the Snake River, once the adjudication is completed. Some questioned whether or not we had the right to refuse the expansion and Allen Merritt said that the State Water Secretary would make the declaration as to what the size of the District would, finally, be. This regulation can be found in the Statutes, Title 42, Chapter 6.

The agenda now called for the voting on the salaries but it was decided by the group to table this until the expansion discussion was completed; because this would make a difference on the salary base.

Chuck Helman gave a report on the investigative committee that was to find all the additional users and what type of delivery devices they had available. He stated that they had checked into this but not as thoroughly as needed to be done. Jeff Cooper of IDWR presented him with a set of maps, names and water rights all along the Rock Creek. Allen stated that the Dept would be glad to send someone to go with the committee to check out all the expansion users. He feels we should work towards bringing all the expansion users into compliance as active members of Rock Creek Water District. There appears to be about 15 names that would be added.

Hal Frazier stated that he felt the District should be divided into two separate districts, an upper and a lower. Phyllis Beard of Amalgamated stated that she felt we should all stay together because we are all using water from Rock Creek and what goes on in the upper portion can change things in the lower and vice versa.

Garry Nielsen requested that we receive a written statement from the State declaring we make this expansion. Allen stated that he felt we had already been given this statement many years ago but just have never included this portion of Rock Creek in the District.

Garry Nielsen moved that the area the Watermaster would be responsible for in 2009 would not change therefore the salary, \$6000, will remain the same. All users in the new expansion area will receive certified letters requesting that they bring their delivery devices up to standard by this time next year. Chuck Helman 2nd.. Motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer salary was approved at the same amount as last year, that being \$650.00.

It was moved and seconded that the Watermaster and Secretary/Treasurer would be retained for the 2009 water year. Passed

Shari Helman moved that we increase the total budget by \$100 dollars to help with clerical costs and the increase in Workers' Comp expense, this would bring the total budget to \$7300 per year. 2nd Passed.

The Advisory Board will remain the same for another year. That being Poncho, of RCR, East Ditch and Main Creek; Garry Nielsen, Main Creek, Rodney Hopwood, West Ditch and Billy Williams to be a representative for the expansion past Strickers.

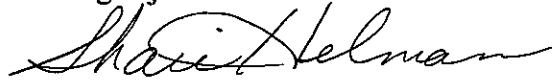
It was decided to keep the same investigative committee to continue the study of the expansion, Chuck Helman, Rodney Hopwood and Billy Williams. Phyllis Beard suggested that we appoint a member on this committee to do the financial study for the extra budget in 2010. Shari Helman offered to do this since she is familiar with all the financial aspects of the District.

Resolutions:

No new resolutions were needed.

All users were reminded to make sure all their measuring devices are ready for water before April 15. Cindy will probably be checking them around April 10th.

Meeting adjourned.



Respectfully submitted

Shari Helman

Secretary/Treasurer