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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1987

WATER RIGHTS  
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7:15 P.M.

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This meeting was called to order by Chairman Brent Jones. He introduced Kent Jones from the State office.

Chairman Jones indicated that the first item of business on the agenda would be to hear the Minutes of the last meeting. Secretary LaRee Garfield read the Minutes of the 1986 meeting. Louis Webster moved for approval of the Minutes as read; Rue Gene Rollo seconded; Minutes approved as read.

The 1986 delinquencies were discussed and contact names and addresses updated.

The 1986 Financial Statement was discussed by Kent Jones. The balance of Distribution Trust Funds as of January 1, 1986, was \$3,950.47, and the balance as of December 31, 1986, was \$6,137.36. Howard Nelson moved for acceptance of the Financial Statement as discussed; George Vandenberghe seconded; motion carried.

Chairman Jones then called on Commissioner Gene Roundy to present his annual Commissioner's Report. Mr. Roundy reported that he used a little different format for his report this year in reporting the owners of the wells, addresses, etc.. He also commented that he has the report on the computer now, and this should cut the cost of preparation of the report each year. Mr. Roundy began his official report by saying that "1986 began with a nervousness in the air that it might turn out to be a dry year. These fears were turned into reality as the water year progressed." Mr. Roundy did state, however, that in checking reports of past years, 1986 was not as bad as it seemed, but just not as good as the past few years have been. Coal Creek flow this year was 24,056.1 acre feet, which was down over 6,000 acre feet from 1985. The creek peaked the same day as it did in 1985, May 3, but the volume was down 153 feet, and it dropped to under 100 feet by the end of the month. The inventory of the company equipment remains the same as it has been previously: 1 IBM Electric Typewriter, Serial No. 6548935, 1 Hewlet-Packard Model 25 Calculator, Serial No. 1502A02235, and 1 4 drawer file cabinet. At the conclusion of his report, Commissioner Roundy resigned as Water Commissioner. Rue Gene Rollo moved for acceptance of the Commissioner's Report; George Vandenberghe seconded; motion carried.

The Budget for 1987 was discussed. The budget was set at \$8,627.75, and the assessment was also set at \$8,627.75. Commissioner Roundy requested that his 18 year old son be approved to be a Deputy, not on the payroll, but to help out in emergencies. This would raise the bonding costs and would need to be figured in the budget; however, the cost of producing the Commissioner's Report will be less. The possibility of taking some money out of the reserve account was discussed. After much discussion, Bud Garfield moved that we leave the reserve account intact; Rue Gene seconded; motion carried. Howard Nelson moved for approval of the budget as set forth above; Louis Webster seconded; motion carried.

Chairman Jones called for a recommendation for a Water Commissioner. Rue Gene moved that Gene Roundy be reappointed and that his wife, Lenora, be appointed as the Deputy, and further, that their 18 year old son be bonded as a helper at no salary; George Vandenberghe seconded; motion carried.

George asked how the delinquencies will be collected. Chairman Jones commented that with the updated information we have, probably 3/4 of them can now be collected. Kent Jones said that it would probably take a Court Order issued through an attorney from the State Engineer to take care of this matter.

The problem of broken meters was discussed. Kent Jones suggested that the County Attorney may want to persue this matter, as it is a State law that water be metered and have a controlling device on them. A lien can be placed on the water rights until a meter is repaired. Rue Gene suggested that people with broken meters be sent a registered letter, return receipt requested, informing them that the Cedar Valley water users will have their meters repaired, and they will be billed for the cost. If this charge is not paid, a lien will be placed on their property until such time as the bill is paid. Howard Nelson moved that the people be sent a registered letter informing them that their meter must be repaired before they turn their wells on, and if they are not repaired and their wells are turned on, the State will step in and take action against them; Rue Gene withdrew his suggestion and seconded the motion of Mr. Nelson; motion carried. Thelmer Stratton moved that the Water Commissioner estimate the amount of water used where there is a broken meter until the meters are repaired. Commissioner Roundy said that this charge is estimated each year on the broken meters, as that is the only procedure he can follow. Kent Jones ~~Nelson~~ said that the State will persue this matter and make sure that the law is enforced.

Chairman Jones called for nominations for a Chairman and three new Board members. Thelmer made the motion that Brent Jones remain as Chairman; Rue Gene seconded; motion carried. Louis Webster moved that Bud Garfield and Howard Nelson remain as Board members and that George Vandenberghe be named to replace Ramon Prestwich; Dee Mackelprang seconded; motion carried.

Louis Webster moved that LaRee Garfield remain as Secretary; Rue Gene Rollo seconded; motion carried.

Bud Garfield moved for adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.