

A special meeting of Birch Creek-Burnt Fork Lonetree and Henry's Fork Water Districts was called for the purpose of getting the feelings of water users in the area as to recommending a water Commissioner to both states of Wyoming and Utah. The meeting was held in the McKinnon Schoolhouse on March 19, 1981 at 4:10 p.m. Chairman Robert Gamble and Sec. Jon Wilde of Burnt Fork-Birch Creek System chaired the meeting.

Robert Gamble called the meeting to order and explained some more of the reasons why this meeting was called. There being a tie in the voting for a recommendation for water commissioner at Burnt Fork-Birch Creek Distribution system meeting. It was decided to combine the other system into this meeting to try and get the same commissioner for the whole area.

The water users were cautioned not to nominate anyone who had not been previously spoken to about the position.

Water User Charles Meeks contended that there should not be anyone nominated who had an interest in the irrigated water. He said there was a by law of the system to prohibit this. Sec. Jon Wilde said he knew nothing of such a bylaw or any bylaws in the books he kept. Mr. Meeks said he would research this to find out where they were.

Don Stoll asked why the water users in Wyo. had not received notice of the annual meetings in March. John Teichart said the meetings were originally for Utah water users. Mr. Stoll asked if in the future, the users in Wyo. be notified of meetings of the Burnt Fork-Birch Creek system because the problems of system and water commissioner were in both states. Mr. Teichart said he would see that they received notice from henceforth.

There was some discussion on headgates in ditches for water commissioner to regulate water. John Teichart said anyone who was served with notice about inserting or repairing headgates or parshell flumes be put in working order last year, and hadn't adhered by this water season, that he would recommend that water commissioner shut water off to those involved.

Chairman Robert Gamble stated the floor was open for nominations to the position of Water Commissioner:

Earl Hanks nominated Gale Lamb, seconded by Milton Beck.

Joe Hickey nominated Laray Sadlier, seconded by Fred Stoll.

Joe Hickey voted nominations ceased, seconded by Earl Hanks, all in favor.

Charles Meeks put the question before the chairman that if a proxy had been signed by a water user and given him prior to the meeting, could he vote the proxy? The chair decided that this was in order, but no water user was allowed to vote a proxy without a signature of the water user.

Vote was taken by secret ballot. Sadlier - 7 Gale Lamb - 14.
Chairman Gamble said he would notify Don Norseth of the State of Utah of the election and Sec. would send a copy of the minutes to Mr. Teichart in Wyo. and Mr. Norseth of Utah.

Theron Wilde made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Earl Hanks, all in favor.


Jon Wilde, Secretary

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Don:

Here is the minutes
of the Annual Meeting
81 & the special
meeting we had on
March 19-81. List
enclosed of who was
at meeting & voted.
There was no one
there from Peoples
canal Co. So we did
not bring up above
and assessment for
these Utah users.
I called & talked to
the Pres. so he
saw of the meeting.
Let me know if
I can be of any
help to you.

Jon C. Wilder

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