

BURNT FORK - BIRCH CREEK DISTRICT

A special meeting was called by the committee set up for the Burnt Fork - Birch Creek Distribution System on April 12, 1977 at 1:00 p.m. in the McKinnon Schoolhouse, in McKinnon, Wyoming for the purpose of selecting a Water Commissioner for the 1977 water season. Those present at the meeting were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Lloyd Anderson	Self
Bert Lamb	Self
Milton Beck	Self
Theron Wilde	Self
Charles Meeks	Self
Marvin Bollschweiler	Wyo. Hydrographer Comm.
Dixon C <sub>h</sub> ristensen	Self
Earl Hanks	self
Gene Gamble	Alta Gamble
Alonzo Jarvie	Self
Mary Ellen Stevens	Wade & Lavell Stephens
Donald Behunin	Self
Laray Sadlier	Self
Dee (Pat) Donohoo	Self
Jon Wilde	Self & Interstate Irrigation & Reservoir Co.

Minutes of the annual meeting held March 16, 1977 was read by Sec. Jon Wilde. Marvin Bollschweiler asked that his title be changed to read Wyoming Hydrographer Commissioner for the State of Wyoming. There was a motion to approve minutes with this correction by Theron Wilde; seconded by Charles Meeks; all in favor.

Chairman Robert Gamble said that nominations were now in order for water commissioner. Lloyd Anderson nominated Laray Sadlier, Charles Meeks nominated Bert Lamb. Theron Wilde moved nominations cease; seconded by Lloyd Anderson; all in favor. Voting was done by secret ballot. Results were nine votes for Laray Sadlier and four votes for Bert Lamb. Laray Sadlier will be retained as Water Commissioner.

Laray Sadlier stated that the Water Commissioner puts time in regulating the People's Canal on lower Henry's Fork. This water runs into several Utah ranches and they are not assessed any fees for this regulation. There is no district set up and he feels these water users should be paying along with everyone else for regulation of the water. Chariman said the State would be contacted and this would be discussed with them for the setting up of a district or combining them with ours.

Committee member Earl Hanks suggested that the Committee check headgates and weir settings at the request of some water users if the need arises. Chairman Gamble stated that the committee or anyone else does not have the authority of the Water Commissioner.

Water user Charles Meeks asked that a notation be put in the minutes that Marvin Bollswailer measured Indian Springs and it runs 3.6 second feet. The appropriation was 3.0 second feet. This was done July 15, 1976.

Water user Pat Donohoo from Lonetree stated he was worried about his water rights and the future of the water in this area. He would like to see more water storage. He has done some extensive research on a dam and the possibilities of it being in the Gregory Basin area to serve the whole area. He said he would be happy to go over some plans and the research he has completed.

Being no further business, the meeting was moved for adjournment at 2:30 p.m. by Theron Wilde; seconded by Lloyd Anderson; all in favor.

  
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Sec. Jon Wilde