

M I N U T E S

WEST FORK OF BEAVER RIVER

1982 Distribution Meeting

The annual distribution meeting on the West Fork of the Beaver River was held Wednesday, March 10, 1982 at the McKinnon School Library, McKinnon, Wyoming.

Mr. Donald C. Norseth called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and acted as chairman. Mr. Norseth read the minutes from the 1981 meeting and no corrections were requested, so they stood as read.

It was noted that Gayle Lamb had acted as River Commissioner for Burnt Fork in 1981, but stated that he did not want the position in 1982.

Mr. Norseth mentioned his desire to combine Burnt Fork system with the West Fork system and that the next meeting would be a joint meeting.

Mr. Robert Guy, Vernal Area Engineer, presented the Financial Statement for 1981. The Balance of Funds on hand January 1, 1981 was \$649.26. The regular assessments for 1981 was \$676.05 and expenditures totaled \$1,015.00, leaving a balance of funds on hand, as of December 31, 1981, of \$310.31. It was pointed out that Arthur B. Evans had a delinquent account of \$174.96 for 1980 and 81. The Financial Statement stood as read.

No Commissioner's report was given as the commissioner was in Denver. Mr. Norseth asked for any problems on the system. The response was that generally 1981 was an adequate water year with few problems.

Mr. Norseth then asked for a volunteer to serve as commissioner for 1982. With no response, Mr. Norseth suggested that everyone search for a commissioner and a two week deadline was given at which time another meeting would be held to nominate a commissioner. The users were advised to contact Mr. Bob Gamble or Mr. Earl Hanks with names of prospective nominees.

A proposed budget for 1982 was then discussed. Mr. Marvin Bollschweiler suggested that a mileage allowance may be needed in the budget to make the commissioner's job more attractive. Velma O'Neil disagreed, saying the mileage allowance would be taken advantage of. Mr. Norseth stated they may have to add a set mileage figure as an inducement to obtain a commissioner.

A motion was made by Mr. Darrel Eyre to retain the same budget and assessment as 1981. Motion seconded by Velma O'Neil. Motion passed.

Mr. Bollschweiler asked when the commissioner is paid. Mr. Norseth answered that the pay schedule can be adjusted from one lump sum to a pay check every two (2) weeks.

Mr. Norseth advised that all users should repair headgates and measuring devices and an inventory will be taken by the commissioner and the State Engineer will require installation or repair as needed.

A discussion ensued concerning the water associated with Hoops Lake and what type of a cost sharing schedule should be required to pay for installation and maintenance of a satisfactory diversion and measuring device. No final resolution was made.

With no other business, Mr. Norseth adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE WERE:

Donald C. Norseth	Division of Water Rights
Robert F. Guy	Division of Water Rights
Jerry L. Bronicel	Division of Water Rights
Sylvester Phillips	
David Eyre	
Velma Hanks	
Velma O'Neil	
Larry O'Neil	
Bud Huseman	
Jack Hickey	
Earl Hanks	
Marvin Bollschweiler	State of Wyoming

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