

**Bishop Creek Water Association
Annual Meeting Summary
January 25, 2016**

I. Opening and Introductions

BCWA President, Mr. Steve Stevens opened the meeting and introduced himself and the Trustees in attendance: Rock Baker, Gene Coufal, Greg Loveland, and Henry Means. He introduced Watermaster Chas Coufal as well.

II. December 8th, 2015 Meeting Summary

The summary of the December 8th, 2015 meeting was reviewed and approved with the following correction: change Vivian Katzenstein to Yvonne Katzenstein.

III. 2015 Finance Report

The 2015 Financial Report was reviewed and approved.

IV. Budget for 2016

Gene presented the proposed 2016 Budget and thanked the Finance Committee for their work in developing the budget. He explained that the budget reflects that while acknowledging the need to maintain the building of a budget reserve, there would be a dip in 2016 due to increased maintenance activities. He detailed the proposed activities as ditch cleaning, gate repair and culvert repairs. The budget includes \$9,400 to cover this work.

There was discussion concerning the repairs on the South Indian Feeder Ditch. Chas reported that the tules have been removed and flow should be improved but the full extent will not be known until more water is available.

There was more discussion on identifying other problem areas in the system. Rock agreed to compile a priority list of repairs and post it on the website. Steve Stevens responded to a question about the availability of grants and stated that there had been no luck securing grant funding at this point.

Gene clarified the assessment rate for multiple and single parcel owners.

The 2016 Budget as presented was approved by a unanimous show of hands.

Also Gene requested that the Board authorize him to proceed with the specific ditch and culvert repair projects identified in the budget. The Board unanimously approved the request.

V. Old Business

The flows in the South Barlow area continue to be of concern and there was discussion concerning the fluctuation in flows and how to improve flow by working on culverts.

VI. New Business

The current precipitation and snowpack reports were presented and the process for data collection, the source of data and the availability of the data were all discussed and clarified. As of January 12, 2016 the South Lake snow pillow was at 45% of normal which is bad news for the BCWA users.

Henry and Gene are working on amending the bylaws to clean up inconsistencies. Gene presented language for a Bylaw amendment to Article VIII, Section 2, Membership (attached) to make it consistent with the appeal language found in Article XIII, Section 1, Arbitration. Draft copies of the revised/amended Bylaws were distributed and Rock for review. Gene asked that the members review the draft and provide any edits to him or Henry by February 15.

Steve requested that a job description with guidelines be prepared for the Watermaster position to be adopted at the March meeting. Once approved, it will be posted on the website.

Steve Stevens was presented with a plaque for his years of service to the BCWA.

Gene reported that the Finance Committee discussed the issue of unpaid assessments and the committee recommended that the Finance Committee be tasked with addressing this issue. The total for unpaid dues totals more than \$10,000 and if recovered could go to cover the costs of repairs throughout the system. Gene said that the Finance Committee could use some legal advice for a recommendation on what mechanism to use for recovering the back dues. The Board voted and approved for the Finance Committee to research and bring back recommendations to address the unpaid bills.

Also there was discussion regarding attaching a list of properties that have not been paying their assessments. This has been done in the past. This item was tabled until next meeting.

VII. Election of Officers

Kurt Schweitzer presented the nominating committee's recommendations. Henry Means and Merry Ann Armstrong were elected to serve as BCWA Trustees for a period of two years.


VIII. Date of Next Annual Meeting

The next Annual meeting of the Bishop Creek Water Association will be on Monday, January 30, 2017. The next regular monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 7 pm at the high school library.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jim Yannotta

Secretary

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Attendance Sheet

Name	Address
George Lopez	403 Mt Tom
Frances Cholwa	373 Mt Tom
Gary & Alonna Giacomini	601 Sierra St. Bishop
MPK SHELZ	3035 MORNINGSIDE
PAUL MORRISSEY	2668 SIERRA VISTA WAY
S SHELZ	3035 MORNINGSIDE DR.
Wayne & Mary Matlick	1397 Rowan Lane
	375 WBR Rd.
Howard + Cindy Lehwald	386 Mt. Tom Rd.
TERRY RUSSE	230 Mt. Tom Rd.
Margaret Matlick	2324 Homestead Ln
PAT + MERRY ARMSTRONG	3099 VISTA RD.
Thelene Stevens	3601 Rand Rd
Steve Stevens	" "
Chas Coufal	Watermaster
Gene Coufal	2402 SUNRISE DR
KEITH + PAULY BODKE	2298 SUNRISE DR
Don Hopkins	2783 Carol Lane
Rex Allen + Mary Allen	2820 Highland.
Wenne Felzensch	7605 Highland

Melrose Ave
M. Baker

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Name	Address
Don & Susan Kunz	2619 Sierra Vista Way
Erich Warkentine	2733 Underwood
Katrin Sorenson	2435 Longview Dr.
Steve Alcorn	806 S. Barlow Ln
GREG BILGZE	3071 A W. LIVE ST.
CRAIG PATTEN	LARCH RD
Jandra Pulver	2720 Sierra Vista
Suzanne Felkel	129 Desiderata
Don Braintree	2645 Highland Dr.
HANK TRUXILLO	279 Rome Dr.
Derik Olson	276 Wildrose Ln
DOVE PETERSON	3575 LORIANE C/D
MIKE & PAT NOLAN	2687 Sunset Rd.
MARION & NORA DAVIS	1465 Cherry Lane
Kolum Haug	2301 Sunrise Dr.
The Small	723 Okinos Dr.
Dave Paris	2710 Glenbrook Way
Rick Fugli	2672 Irene Way
Jack Conn	3663 Ranch Rd
Bob Harrington	2272 Longview
Jim CAMPBELL	2707 CAROL LN.

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Name	Address
Henry Means	3612 Ranch RD
Greg Loveland	LADWP, 300 Mandich Road

ARTICLE VIII- MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

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Section 2

Any owner of real property whose property is traversed by, borders on, or has access to any stream, canal, or ditch carrying the water of Bishop Creek, and located within the boundaries as shown on Exhibit A, shall automatically be a member of this Association and shall be entitled to the benefits and burdened by the duties imposed herein. Any question of membership shall be referred to the Arbitration Committee. ~~and the findings and rulings of the Committee~~ **A decision of the Committee on Water and Arbitration may be appealed to the Board of Trustees. The decision of said committee, or Board of Trustees (if appealed),** shall be binding upon all parties.

Section 3

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