## Annual Squaw Creek Ditch Meeting Feb. 3, 2014

## Attendance:

Brian Noland, Tom and Leann Carlsen, Bill Baily, Sheila Tirner, Max Hymas, Paul Drake, Brian Spears, Mike Oliver, Ron Shurtliff, Joyce Arthur, Roy Moses, Joe Zavaletta, Richard Rex

The meeting was opened by Chairman Roy Moses, Minutes were read and approved with changes. Tom Carlsen made a motion and Brian Noland seconded to accept the minutes with changes.

The Flume condition was discussed. The 4X4's are needing repair with a plan to replace 20 boards at a cost of \$500 a year until all are replaced. It was explained that the heavy duty plastic used is holding up great.

The canal cleaning from the canal bank didn't work as planned in 2013. It is suggested to use trac hoe in the canal in 2014.

Paul suggested to use Zylene(moss killer) the last 2 weeks in June with 2 barrels and 2 barrels mid July. The moss will be small and the Zylene might work better. It shouldn't effect water users are cutting hay at these times. Several people were ask and thought this might work.

Fences over access roads discussed. Property owners need to have a good gate so the ditch cleaning crew can have access for cleaning. If gate is not in good condition it may not be replaced. The cleaning will be the last of March or first part of April depending on the weather.

Joe Zavaletta reported on Liability insurance. ICRMP is a self insurance cost about \$1,000 a year for 1 million dollar coverage. Richard Rex made a motion to get more information Sheila seconded.

Lateral disputes discussed discussion followed as how to handle them.

A list of outstanding assessments were read. Stockholders were ask for ideas of how to collect them, shutting water off can't be done because of others on the lateral.

Ron Shirtliff reported how Water Dist. 65 handles theirs. Warning letter after 30 days and shares can be auctioned off and file leans.

Paul reported that Water Dist. 65 gave Squaw Creek Ditch \$20,000 for repairs on the skirt of the Diversion Dam.

Ron Shirtliff explained how Dist. 65 on the Payette River drainage is a separate stream from the Squaw Creek . There is a \$.50 a share to join and would be allowed to have a seat on the board. 65 takes in \$75,000 a year and has a budget of \$100,000 for qualifying projects. A benefit would be sending a representive to meetings . Can get ideas from other districts at the meetings. The \$.50 fee is a choice because it doesn't pay any bills. There would not be any change in the way Squaw Creek Ditch operates . A small company like ours would be better to stay independant. 65 has an advisory board of 22 members .

It was asked what the difference between 65 and 65-A 65 is part of the Payette River basin and 65-A a part of the basin but not an active member. Joe Zavaletta will follow up on becoming a member Roy made a motion and Richard seconded.

It was reported that Roy Moses is on the Squaw Creek Irrigation Board that takes care of repairs at Sage Hen. It was reported that we pay \$239 for Eric Herr wages. Eric is the water master at Sage Hen. We pay \$1008.75 a year for repairs at Sage Hen.

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Joyce Arthur suggested that the water users Thank Paul for managing the water as well as he does. Paul worked with Eric to keep water in canal. Paul checked both ditches everyday to keep water flowing for the water users.

Joe Zavaletts suggested that something needs to be done so when a crisis occurs we have money. Everything is in Board members name we as a company need a EIN number and that would solve alot of problems.

Richard Rex made a motion and Joyce Arthur seconded that liability insurance be investigated and if no more than \$1000 and report back.

Tom Carlsen made a motion that Board remain the same Brian Noland seconded. unaminous vote to keep the board the same Roy Moses, Paul Drake, Joe Zavaletta. Paul Drake made a motion that the Secretary wage be raised by \$200. making the total \$1200 a year. Roy seconded motion carried.

Joyce Arthur made a motion to keep the assessment the same as 2013 which would be \$950 a share and \$7 for loan .Mike Oliver seconded.

Mike Oliver made a motion to adjourn

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The Board was set the same as 2013.

Roy Moses Chairman, Paul Drake Ditch Rider,. Joe Zavaletta Board Member. Meeting Adjourned.

## Squaw Creek Ditch Co. December 31, 2013

Balance on Hand:

\$ 5037.42

Receipts:

\$39,382.61

Disbursements:

Bill Gibron

\$1692.50

Weed Control:

Simplot/Zylene

\$2094.18

B and W Fuels:

\$1510.00

Secretary:

Janice Lane

\$1000.00

State Insurance Fund:

\$300.00

Ditch Rider:

Paul Drake

\$2270.00

Water Master Wages/Tax Role:

\$239.00

Diversion Dam Repair Loan

\$22,699.00

Squaw Creek Irrigation:

Sage Hen Repair Fund

\$1008.75

Safety Deposit Box:

\$11.00

Loan Balance:

\$18,262.51

Cash on Hand:

\$12,339.98