

**REDLANDS MESA WATER USERS, INC.**  
**ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING**  
**January 27, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Annual Meeting of the Redlands Mesa Water Users, Inc. was called to order at 7:00p.m. by President Reg Cridler.

**CALL OF THE MEETING**

Secretary, Deb Christner read the call of the meeting.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Everyone introduced themselves;  
Reg Cridler, President,  
Board Members, Dan Hawkins, Kay Adams, Karen Marty and Pete Klaseen.  
Secretary, Deb Christner  
Box Setters, Lawrence McKendrick and Andy Kasper

**QUORUM**

The credentials committee of Sue Whittlesey and Nomi Gray, reported that 17 shareholders were present and 27 were represented by proxy, for a total of 44. 41 is needed for a quorum, thus a quorum was declared

**MINUTES**

MOVED BY: Pete Klaseen to approve the January 29 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes.  
SECONDED BY: Karen Marty  
MOTION CARRIED with no opposing votes.

**DITCH MANAGER'S REPORT**

Board Members and Stockholders:

I am sorry I am not here in person to present this report. I am in Grand Valley watching my son play basketball. This is his senior year.

We had a good water run this year. We did not do much out of the ordinary as far as the ditch is concerned. When the high water was gone, we had Lance Rundle take his backhoe to several of the boxes on the mesa and clean the approaches. Doing this with water helps to see the flow coming to the split box.

We looked into a concern that a shareholder brought to us about how the water is being split down the main laterals. Dan Hawkins will address this further.

We are continuing to spray the willows in some real trouble spots. Steve Widner was in charge of this and has done a very good job.

At last year's meeting, we discussed repairing the concrete retaining wall in Leroux Creek at the head gate. That work was completed this fall. Dave Whittlesey, who is on the board of the Conservancy District, is working on reimbursement for this work.

One further comment, in the spring when the water is coming on, it is your responsibility as the stockholder to either open your own box or let the box setter know you are ready for water. We will NOT open a closed box.

Any questions or comments or if anyone knows of any maintenance items, please let us know.

Thank you, Bryan Klaseen, Ditch Manager

Dan Hawkins explained the Leroux Creek wall repair.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Shareholders received copies of the 2016 Balance Sheet and 2016 Budget Comparison. Deb explained that Leroux Creek Water users had to levy a third assessment in the Fall to cover maintenance, since there were sufficient funds in the bank the whole assessment did not have to be passed on to the Redlands Mesa Water User members. This does reflect, on the financials, as more expenses than income.

MOVED BY: Pete Klaseen to approve the 2016 financials

SECONDED BY: Kay Adams

MOTION CARRIED with no opposing votes.

## **BUDGET**

The proposed 2017 budget and water delivery fee detail were handed out.

MOVED BY: Dan Hawkins to approve the 2017 Budget and set the call at \$4.25 as needed

SECONDED BY: Annie Sievers

MOTION CARRIED with no opposing votes.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Reg Cridler along with Deb & Doug Christner looked through the storage unit, and Reg located several documents that helped explain what had happened in the past and the ownership of ditches located on Redlands Mesa.

Reg Cridler reviewed over 40 years of documents that he got from the storage unit.

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Key language, to address who owned the ditches on Redlands Mesa.

“In the matter of distribution of water below the incorporation of this company, the Board of Directors of the Overland Ditch and Reservoir Company does hereby recommend to the stockholders using water below the corporation that they incorporate the two laterals, namely the Cedar Gulch and the Lawhead laterals.”

1-29-1959 RMWU Annual Meeting Minutes-Addendum

“Resolved That the Redlands Mesa Water Users, Inc. go on the record favoring the use of the Overland Canal by the stockholders of the company, from its diversion at Leroux Creek to its termination on Redlands Mesa.”

Shows RMWU performing work charged to Overland.

## **NEW BUSINESS** None

### **SHAREHOLDERS CONCERNS**

Annie Sievers request the Box Setters have a written job description. She said she had issues with boxes not being set correctly in the late summer. Dan Hawkins has talked to Steve Widner and Lawrence MacKendrick about how the split board should be at Cedar Gulch. The box floor was leveled a couple of years ago, Annie would like this checked again. It was noted that a mixed flume and split board system can be a challenge. It was noted that it is important to get the division of water at the head of the mesa correct, it was also noted that the cost of box setting has to be kept under control. It is not efficient for a box setter to spend a lot of time making minimal adjustments. The box setter must use their discretion when setting boxes between absolutely accurate and time spent. Annie wants all flumes tested. The box approach will be checked for level.

Lou Bridges talked about the new FOA available for upgrading systems.

### **ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

The terms of Reg Cridler, Karen Marty and Pete Klaseen are expiring. They agreed to serve again.

MOVED BY: Annie Sievers to retain the present board

SECONDED BY: Ray Penland

MOTION CARRIED by acclamation

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Debbie Christner, Secretary