

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Orange Cove Irrigation District, Jan. 3, 1939.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock p. m.

Officers present were Director W. W. Arkley, M. N. Jensen,
Assessor-Collector-Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

Director and President George Zaninovich and Treasurer C. E. Ray
were absent.

Director W. W. Arkley acted as President pro tem.

The bill of Assessor A. L. Schoepf for \$15.00 for time and milage
was approved and ordered paid.

A Bank balance of \$1783.29 was reported by the Secretary.

A letter from Mr. J. R. Fauver, Chairman of the Budget and Finance
Committee of the National Reclamation Association, was read,
asking for a membership fee of five dollars and if possible a
cash contribution for the support of the Association.

A motion was made by M. N. Jensen and seconded by W. W. Arkley
that the fee be sent. The Secretary was instructed to write
Mr. Fauver sending the fee and inquiring as to what would be an
appropriate contribution, as this district was willing to help
so far as it was financially able to do so.

The matter of holding an election in the First Division to elect
a Director on February 1st, 1939, was discussed. The two year
term of Director W. W. Arkley of the First Division expires on
March 1, 1939.

A resolution was read and passed designating polling place, date
and officers of the election board. The resolution is attached
hereto.

*Resolution Re: Election District 1st Div. L.C.
- placed in 1939 Resolution File 12/85 -*

It was also ordered that petitions of nomination be circulated within the First Division. A petition must be signed by ten registered and qualified voters nominating a candidate and must be filed with the secretary not later than Jan. 17, 1939. The Secretary was instructed to post not later than Jan. 17, 1939, three notices of election within the division, one at the office of the District and one filed with the Secretary. The Secretary was instructed to obtain the necessary election supplies.


President


Secretary

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS; FEB. 6, 1939.

This being the first Monday after the election held in Orange Cove Irrigation District on February 1st, 1939, the Board of Directors of said District met at the office of said District in Orange Cove, Calif., for the purpose of canvassing the returns from said election.

There were present Directors George Zaninovich, W. W. Arkley, M. N. Jensen and Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

President Zaninovich presided.

Thereupon, the Board of Directors proceeded to canvass the returns of said election, and upon completing said canvass, the following results were declared and are hereby certified:

That the whole number of votes cast in the said Orange Cove Irrigation District at said election was (7) seven.

That the name of the person voted for was W. W. Arkley.

That the office for which said W. W. Arkley was voted for was that of Director ~~from~~ the First Division of said District.

That the said First Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, seven votes were given to said W. W. Arkley for said office and no votes given in said precinct to any other person.

That the number of votes given in the said First Division for the office of Director was seven, and no votes for said office were given in any other Division of said District.

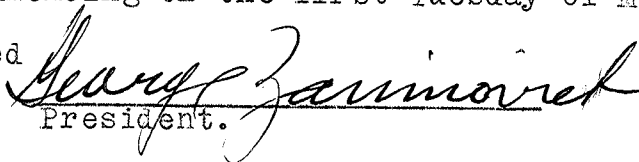
Thereupon, on motion of Director M. N. Jensen, seconded by Director W. W. Arkley, and unanimously carried, the following resolution and order was adopted:

Whereas, the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigaion District have this day, pursuant to law, duly met and canvassed the returns of the regular election held in said District on February 1st, 1939; and

Whereas, it appears from such canvass, and this Board now finds and determines that at said election, W. W. Arkley received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the First Division of said Orange Cove Irrigation District;

Now, therefore, it is hereby resolved and declared that said W. W. Arkley has been duly elected to the office of Director of Orange Cove Irrigation District from the First Division thereof for the four-year term commencing on the first Tuesday of March 1939.

Resolution approved


President.

The business of the regular meeting scheduled for February 7th. was conducted following the canvassing of the election returns.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were presented by the secretary, and upon a motion by Director M. N. Jensen, seconded by Director W. W. Arkley were ordered paid:

A.L. Schoepf, Assessor-Collector, time and mileage	\$ 14.20
A. Carlisle & Co. ,Election supplies	15.22
Orange Cove News, Legal advertising and ballots	12.14
First National Bank of Orange Cove. Deposit Box.	2.75
Farnsworth, Burke & Maddox, Legal service.	20.00

The yearly report of the financial condition of the District, showing receipts and disbursements was read . The report showed a cash balance on January 1, 1939 of \$ 1778.29. The report was filed with the secretary.

A motion by Director M. N. Jensen seconded by Director W. W. Arkley was made and carried that the Secretary instruct the Treasurer to inquire at the bank whether or not it would be legal to transfer the sum of \$1500.00 from the checking account to a savings account.

The annual report to the District Securities Commission was compiled by the secretary and a copy filed in the records of the District, another sent to the Commission, one to the State Engineer and one to the Irrigation Districts Commission. The report showed the financial condition of the District on Jan. 1, 1939, the acreage, population, crops and value thereof.

A letter was read from Mr. J. R. Fauver, chairman of the Tulare County Water Commission, requesting that the Board of Directors send a telegram to Mr. Frank W. Clark, Director of Public Works at Sacramento, reminding him of the necessity for immediate and decisive action on the Friant division of the Central Valleys Project. A copy of the telegram was enclosed. The secretary was instructed to address a letter to Mr. Clark conveying the general idea of the telegram.

The secretary was instructed to write Mr. James Burke, attorney for the District, informing him that the Board felt that the bill of A. Carlisle & Co., for election supplies was exorbitant. As many of the supplies were unused it was suggested that before the next election Mr. Burke consult the Board before ordering more.

A framed certificate of membership in the National Reclamation Association was received from Mr. J. A. Fauver, State Director.

A certificate of election was issued to Director W. W. Arkley. Mr. Arkley was to sign the certificate and have it witnessed by a Notary. Mr. Arkley was also to have his bond for \$5000.00 redrafted and sent to a Judge of the Superior Court of Fresno County for approval.

George Minner
President
C. L. Schoepf
Secretary

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT AS OF JAN.1, 1939

COLLECTIONS

Collected by assessment to January 1, 1938	\$ 3664.29
Collected by assessment January 1, 1938 to January 1, 1939	688.46

DISBURSEMENTS: January 1, 1938 to January 1, 1939.

Salaries, Assessor-Collector	\$ 132.90	
Office equipment and supplies	34.75	
Outstanding obligations paid	909.63	
Organization expense, services	250.00	
Advertising: legal notices	63.51	
Insurance	2.40	
Interest on warrants	.07	
Petty cash: Postage, etc.	20.00	
Miscellaneous; Bond premiums, deposit box	152.75	
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Total disbursements for 1938	\$ 1566.01	
Total disbursements for 1937	1008.45	
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Total disbursements to January 1, 1939	\$ 2574.46	
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Balance in General Fund	\$ 1778.29	
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	\$ 4352.75	<hr/> 4352.75

Signed *A. L. Schopf*
Secretary.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, March 7, 1939.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p. m.

Present were President George Zaninovich, Director W. W. Arkley, Director M. N. Jensen, Treasurer C. E. Ray, Assessor-Collector-Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

This being the first Tuesday in March following the general election of February 1st, the Board met to re-organize as a Board and to elect a President and appoint a Secretary. This is in accordance with Sec. 20, California Irrigation District Laws.

The Secretary acted as chairman of the Board to conduct the voting. Directors W. W. Arkley and M. N. Jensen were nominated for the office of President of the Board. Director W. W. Arkley received two votes and Director M. N. Jensen received one vote.

Director W. W. Arkley was accordingly elected President to succeed Director George Zaninovich. A. L. Schoepf was re-appointed Secretary. Each officer to hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

Director W. W. Arkley assumed the duties of his office as Director of the first division following his re-election at the preceding election.

The Certificate of Election of Director W. W. Arkley, signed by the Secretary was presented and approved by the Board. The bond of Director W. W. Arkley, signed and approved by Judge H. Z. Austin of the Superior Court of the State of California for Fresno County, was presented and approved by the Board. The bond is in the amount of five-thousand dollars.

The monthly financial report was read by the Treasurer showing a bank balance of \$1693.98. The Treasurer was instructed to inquire further into the matter of depositing a part of the District funds in an interest drawing account at the bank.

The bill presented by A. L. Schoepf, upon recommendation of the Board, for \$50.00 rent of premises for the District office, for the past two years, was approved and ordered paid.

In regard to the matter of the Kings River Canyon National Park, the following resolution was adopted by the Board.

Resolved that: We the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District unanimously endorse the proposed Kings River Canyon National Park. Signed, George Maninovich, President, A. L. Schoepf, Secretary. A copy of the resolution was wired to the Secretary of the Interior, Harold Ickes and to Congressman Alfred J. Elliott.

A petition for exclusion of lands was filed with the Secretary on March 4th, 1939 by the California Lands Inc. Also a copy of the notice to show cause why said petition should not be granted.

The latter petition to be published according to Sec. 76 of the State Irrigation District Laws.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the Petitioner asking them to reconsider the petition and that vigorous protest would be forthcoming from landowners within the district.

W. W. Arble
President
A. L. Schoepf
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District. April 4, 1939.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p. m.

Present were President W. W. Arkley, Director M. N. Jensen, Director George Zaninovich, Assessor-Collector-Secretary A. L. Schoepf. Treasurer C. E. Ray was absent.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. The bill of A. L. Schoepf for time and mileage for the months of February and March amounting to \$12.20 was approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Director M. N. Jensen and seconded by Director George Zaninovich that the meeting be adjourned until the hour of 2:30 p. m. April 6th, at the Legion Hall for the discussion of further business. The motion was carried.

Continuation of meeting of April 4, 1939.

The Board of Directors met at 2:30 April 6, 1939 to continue the regular meeting of April 4th and to conduct a hearing on the petition for exclusion of lands by the California Lands Inc.

Members of the Board of Directors acted as judges to hear the arguments. The judges were President W. W. Arkley, Director M. N. Jensen and Director George Zaninovich. Secretary A. L. Schöepf was also present.

Mr. W. R. Bailey, attorney, Mr. W. J. White, Managing Agent, Mr. C. F. Anderson, Field Superintendant represented the California Lands Inc.

Attorney James Burke represented the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Written^E protests were presented in person by E. M. Sheridan, S. M. Peet, Fred Bear, J. A. Chase, J. Frank Wright, Ed Robison, N. P. Ewers, Papok & Maninovich and Charles Clapp. The protests were read by the secretary.

The protestants were questioned by attorney Bailey and E. M. Sheridan. Mr. White and Mr. Anderson, representing the California Lands Inc., were questioned by Attorney Bailey, Attorney Burke and E. M. Sheridan. The entire proceedings were taken in shorthand by Mr. Ambrose, reporter, the transcript of which is attached hereto.

The final decision of the Board was deferred to the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors on May 2, 1939, in order that the reporter might have time to prepare the transcript.

A. I. Schoopf
Secy.

W. W. Arkley
President

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Orange Cove Irrigation District, May 2, 1939.

The Board of Directors met at the office of M. N. Jensen.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Present were President W. W. Arkley, Director Geo. Zaninovich,
Director M. N. Jensen and Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

Bills presented by the Secretary were as follows;

Farnsworth, Burke & Maddox for legal services	\$25.70
W. W. Arkley for phone calls	.80
Orange Cove News, notary fees	1.00
A. L. Schoepf, Assessor & Collector	6.60

All bills were approved and ordered paid.

The transcript of the hearing of the petition for exclusion of
lands by the California Lands Inc., was studied and the following
resolution drawn by the Board of Directors.

" WHEREAS, California Lands Inc., a corporation, made
application for the exclusion of certain described lands from
Orange Cove Irrigation District, and

WHEREAS, after due notice as prescribed by law, a hearing
of said application was held before this Board of Directors, and
certain landowners of said District appeared and filed written
objections to the granting of said petition, and

WHEREAS, this Board of Directors has duly considered the
law and the evidence offered upon said hearing, and now finds and
determines as follows:

1. That it would not be to the advantage or best interest
of said Orange Cove Irrigation District to exclude any of said
lands described in said petition from said District.

2. That said lands described in said petition and each parcel thereof will be benefited both directly and indirectly from and by the irrigation system and workd proposed by said District.


3. That said lands described in said petition are, and each parcel thereof is susceptible of irrigation from the proposed works of said District and will benefit from such irrigation.

WHEREFORE, it is resolved and ordered that the said petition of California Lands Inc., for the exclusion of said lands from Orange Cove Irrigation District be and the same is hereby denied. "

Director Geo. Zaninovich moved that the resolution be adopted and the motion was seconded by Director M. N. Jensen.

The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of the resolution to Mr. W. R. Bailey, Attorney for the California Lands Inc.

The meeting was then adjourned until further notice.


Secretary

President

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, August 2, 1939.

The regular meeting of August 1st was adjourned to meet on August 2nd. The meeting was called to order at 8 p. m. Present were President W. W. Arkley, Director M. N. Jensen, Director George Zaninovich, Assessor-Collector- Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The bill of A. L. Schoepf for mileage and time for \$4.20, also a demand for \$3.00 for petty cash were both allowed and ordered paid.

A letter from Attorney James A. Burke was read dealing with the matter of the exclusion of lands by the California Lands Inc., was read. An alternative writ of mandate naming the directors of the district as respondents was received by the Board of Directors. A reply was prepared by Mr. Burke, attorney for the District and signed by President W. W. Arkley. The reply was sworn to before a notary public and returned to Mr. Burke to be presented to the Superior court of the State of California, in and for the County of Fresno.

Mr. Arkley signed the reply upon a motion by Director M. N. Jensen and seconded by Director George Zaninovich, authorizing him to do so.

The California Lands Inc., having been denied the right to withdraw certain lands from the district by resolution of the Board of Directors, seek to bring about a repeal of the decision in the Superior Court. The first hearing to be held on August 4th, 1939.