

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Jan. 11, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P. M.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Fred H. Bear, Treasurer - Engineer Fred K. Woolley, Secretary-Assessor-Collector A. L. Schoepf, Attorney Leroy McCormick, Representative Geo. T. Jadwin.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of Dec. 14 were read and approved as read.

Bills in the amount of \$490.66 were ordered paid upon motion by Bear and seconded by Jensen.

A bill for the 1949 dues in the Irrigation Districts Association of California for \$25.00 was read and ordered held over for further consideration.

The Secretary reported collections for Dec. of \$485.33.
Bank balance of \$39,313.57

The Secretary read a copy of a resolution adopted by the Alpaugh Irrigation District protesting the intervention of the Irrigation Districts Association in the matter of the validation of contracts by the Superior Court. The Board took no action in the matter.


Letters from the I.D.A. giving notice of the meeting of the Executive Committee at Sacramento, Thursday, Jan. 13, 1949, were read.

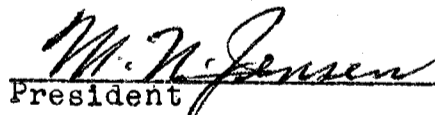
Mr. Woolley stated that he was attending the meeting on business pertaining to Improvement Districts.

A letter from R. K. Durant, construction engineer for the Bureau of Reclamation was read, concerning turnouts from the Friant-Kern Canal in this District.

The Secretary reported that he had posted notices as prescribed by law of the coming regular election of Feb. 2, 1949.

The meeting was then adjourned.


Secretary


President

Minutes of the Special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Jan. 29, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 1;30 P.M.

An order was signed by the members of the Board authorizing the special meeting.

Present : Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Representatives Geo. T. Jadwin and Donald L. Case, Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

The Board met for the purpose of considering and rendering a decision on the petition for exclusion of lands from the District. One petition being that of Robert E. Travioli, Wendell G. Travioli and Mary E. Travioli and the other for lands in the Orosi and Navelencia Areas.

Upon reviewing and considering the evidence and testimony contained in the transcript of the three day hearing on the matter and upon advise of counsel for the District, Director Chase moved that the following order be issued.

*Resolution Re: Exclusion of Travioli Lands
Placed in Resolution file 1949 10/85 L.C. -*

The motion was duly seconded by Director Bear and carried upon roll call as follows:

AYES: Directors Jensen, Chase, Bear, Area Representatives
Jadwin and Case

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Director Chase also moved that the following order denying the Orosi and Navelencia petition be issued:

*Resolution Re: Exclusion of lands of E. Orosi?
Navelencia Areas 10/85 L.C. -
Placed in Res. file 1949*

The motion was duly seconded by Director Bear and carried upon roll call as follows:

AYES: Directors Jensen, Chase, Bear, Area Representatives
Jadwin and Case.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

A motion was made by Chase and seconded by Bear and carried that the secretary send copies of the orders to attorney Bailey and Mr. Travioli.

The Secretary was instructed to forward copies of the orders and transcript of the hearing together with related information pertaining to the exclusion proceedings to the California Districts Securities Commission.

The meeting was then adjourned.

A. L. Schoepf
Secretary

M. N. Jensen
President

We, the undersigned, directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby consent to a special meeting of the Board of Directors of said district for the purpose of considering and acting upon the petitions for exclusion of lands filed Oct. 10 and 13, 1948, and for such other business that may come before the said Board of Directors. Said meeting to be held at the office of the district on Saturday, Jan. 29, 1949, at 1:30 P.M.

Dated this 29th day of January, 1949.

M. N. Jensen
Harvey S. Chase
Fred Bear
Geo. T. Jadwin
Donald L. Case

Minutes of the meeting for canvass of returns of the General Election of Feb. 2, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Monday Feb. 7, 1949.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, Fred H. Bear, Representative Donald L. Case, Assessor-Collector-Secretary A. L. Schoepf. Director Harvey S. Chase and Representative Geo. T. Jadwin were absent.

This being the first Monday after the election held in the Orange Cove Irrigation District on February 2, 1949, the Board of Directors of said District met at the office of said District in Orange Cove, California, for the purpose of canvassing the returns from said election. President M. N. Jensen presided.

said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

That the Second Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, 65 votes were given to said M. N. Jensen for said office and 22 votes were given to said Irvin Hess for said office and 70 votes were given to said A.L.Schoepf for said office and 72 votes were given to said Donald L. Case for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

That the Third Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, 71 votes were given to said Harvey S. Chase for said office and 70 votes were given to said A. L. Schoepf for said office and 71 votes were given to said Donald L. Case for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

That the Fourth Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, 49 votes were given to said Fred H. Bear for said office and 1 vote was given to said Ed White for said office and 50 votes were given to said A. L. Schoepf for said office and 49 were given to said Donald L. Case for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

That the Fifth Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, 66 votes were given to said Geo. T. Jaawin for said office and 72 votes were given to said Oscar Orlopp for said office and 94 votes were given to said A.L.Schoepf for said office and 92 votes were given to said Donald L. Case for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

Thereupon, on motion of Director ^{Fred Bear} ~~M. N. Jensen~~, seconded by Director ^{M. N. Jensen} ~~Fred Bear~~, and unanimously carried, the following resolution and order was adopted:

Whereas, the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District have this day, pursuant to law, duly met and canvassed the returns of the regular election held in said District on February 2nd, 1949; and
Whereas, it appears from such canvass, and this Board now finds and determines that at said election, John Hudson received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the First Division,

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 412.

That the names of the persons voted for were John Hudson, M. N. Jensen
Ed. White
Irvin Hess, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, /Geo. T. Jadwin, Oscar Orlopp,
A. L. Schoepf and Donald L. Case.

That the office for which said John Hudson was voted for was that of Director from the First Division of said District.

That the office for which said M. N. Jensen and said Irvin Hess was voted for was that of Director from the Second Division of said District.

That the office for which said Harvey S. Chase was voted for was that of Director from the Third Division of said District.

That the office for which said Fred H. Bear/
and Ed White
was voted for was that of Director from the Fourth Division of said District.

That the office for which said Geo. T. Jadwin and said Oscar Orlopp was voted for was that of Director from the Fifth Division of said District.

That the office for which said A. L. Schoepf was voted for was that of Assessor-Collector of said District.

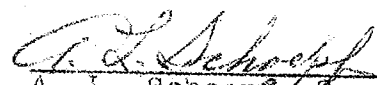
That the office for which said Donald L. Case was voted for was that of Treasurer of said District.


That the First Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct, 60 votes were given to said John Hudson for said office and 49 votes were given to said A. L. Schoepf for said office and 50 votes were given to said Donald L. Case for

M. N. Jensen received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Second Division, Harvey S. Chase received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Third Division, Fred H. Bear received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Fourth Division, Oscar Orlopp received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Fifth Division, A. L. Schoepf received the highest number of votes for the office of Assessor-Collector from the District at large, Donald L. Case received the highest number of votes for the office of Treasurer from the District at large;

Now, therefor, it is hereby resolved and declared that said John Hudson has been duly elected to the office of Director of the First Division, M. N. Jensen has been duly elected to the office of Director of the Second Division, Harvey S. Chase has been duly elected to the office of Director of the Third Division, Fred H. Bear has been duly elected to the office of Director of the Fourth Division, Oscar Orlopp has been duly elected to the office of Director of the Fifth Division, A. L. Schoepf has been elected to the office of Assessor-Collector from the District at large, Donald L. Case has been duly elected to the office of Treasurer from the District at large, all of said Orange Cove Irrigation District thereof for the year term commencing on the Second Tuesday of March, 1949.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the Board of Directors then adjourned.


A. L. Schoepf, Secretary


M. N. Jensen, President

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Feb. 8, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Present were: Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Representatives Geo T. Jadwin, Donald L. Case; Treasurer Fred K. Woolley, Attorney Leroy McCormick, Assessor-Collector-Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of Jan. 11th and Special meeting of Feb. 5th were read and approved as read. The minutes of the meeting of Feb. 7th for the canvass of returns of the Feb. 2nd general election were also read and approved as read.

Bills in the amount of \$1360.97 were ordered paid by motion of Bear and seconded by Chase. The bill of the Irrigation Districts Association of California for 1949 dues of \$25.00 was again held over for consideration.

The bank balance of Jan. 31, 1949 was shown as \$38,882.91

A letter from Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug was read in which he stated his willingness to comply with certain conditions imposed upon the District by the California Districts Securities Commission in their tentative approval of the contract for the purchase of water.

Woolley reported on the meeting of Jan 13th in Sacramento relative to contemplated changes in the Improvement Districts Laws. He stated that there was little probability of having present Improvement Districts Acts amended, but that it was being proposed to introduce a new act termed "Development Districts". This new act would include the 40 year repayment period. Woolley said this feature of the act would be agreeable to the Bureau of Reclamation and would in effect enable the Bureau to Build distribution systems in blocks within districts.

A motion was made by Bear and seconded by Chase that the surety bonds of the officers of the district be handled by Mr. Frane of the First National Bank of Orange Cove. The secretary was instructed to attend to this matter.

Upon motion by Chase and seconded by Bear and unanimously carried, the following resolution was made, passed and adopted.

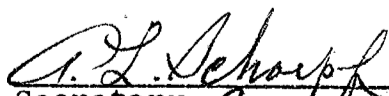
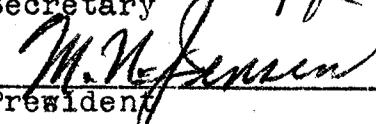
"Be it resolved that the bond of the Treasurer be fixed at \$5000.00 and the bond of the Assessor-Collector be fixed at \$10,000.00."

The bonds of the Directors were to be fixed at \$5000.00 each.

The officers of the district received their certificates of election at this meeting and were to subscribe the oath of office, sign and file in the District office.

Mr. Travioli insisted that the Board write to Mr. Jack Rodner District Manager of the Bureau at Fresno, asking him to confirm certain statements made during a discussion at Dinuba on Feb. 1. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Rodner.

The meeting was then adjourned.


Secretary

President

Minutes of the Special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, March 5, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 1 P.M.

Present were: Directors M. N. Jensen, Harvey S. Chase, Fred Bear, Representative Geo. T. Jadwin, Attorney Leroy McCormick, Secretary A. L. Schoepf, Oscar Orlopp and John Hudson.

The Board met for the purpose of approving the contract for the purchase of water from the United States and to transact other business before the Board.

The following consent to a special meeting was signed by the Directors.

After due consideration of the contract the following resolution was passed and adopted.

*Resolution Re: Revised Contract USBR
Placed in Resolution File 1949 1985 LC -*

The secretary was instructed to send a copy of the resolution and a copy of the contract to the California Districts Securities Commission and three copies of the resolution to the Bureau of Reclamation at Sacramento.

The matter of holding a special election for voting on the contract was discussed and the following resolution was passed and adopted.

*Resolution Re: Election matter (Special)
Placed in Resolution File 1949 1985 LC -*

The election is to be advertised for three weeks and notices to be posted throughout the District. ~~Copies of the advertisement were to be sent to the electors of the Navelencia District.~~

A motion was made by Chase and seconded by Bear that the dues of the Irrigation Districts Association of California for 1949 be paid. Motion carried.

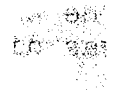
Mr. Jensen announced a meeting of the Irrigation Districts Association of Tulare County on March 10th at 2 P.M. in the City Hall at Lindsay.

A motion was made by Bear and seconded by Chase that the surety bonds of Assessor-Collector A. L. Schoepf, No. B. O. 649475 for \$10,000 and the Treasurer Donald L. Case, No. B. O. 649476 for \$5000.00 be approved by the Board. The motion was duly carried.

A motion was then made by Chase and seconded by Bear that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

A. L. Schoepf
Secretary

M. N. Jensen
President



CONSENT TO SPECIAL MEETING

We, the undersigned, constituting the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby consent to a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District to be held in the office of the District on Saturday, March 5, 1949, at 1:00 P.M., for the purpose of considering the contract between the Orange Cove Irrigation District and the United States of America, and taking such action as the Board may deem necessary in connection with the approval and execution of the contract, and its submission to the California District Securities Commission, and to the electorate of the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

We also consent to the transaction of any and all regular business that may pertain to the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Dated this 5th day of March, 1949.

M. N. Jensen

Fred Bear

Harvey S. Chase

Geo. T. Jadwin

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, March 8, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Present Were: Directors M. N. Jensen, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp and John Hudson., Consulting engineer Fred K. Woolley, Assessor-Collector-Secretary A. L. Schoepf, Treasurer D. L. Case, Attorney Leroy McCormick.

All newly elected officers took office as of noon, March 8, 1949.

This being the first regular meeting day in March after the February regular election of officers, the Board proceeded to organize, draw lots to determine the term of office of each director, and to elect a president of the Board and appoint a secretary. Mr. McCormick presided as President pro tem.

Lots were drawn by the Directors to determine their respective terms of office and the result was as follows:

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| Fred H. Bear | to serve a four year term |
| Oscar Orlopp | to serve a four year term |
| Harvey S. Chase | to serve a four year term |
| M. N. Jensen | to serve a two year term |
| John Hudson | to serve a two year term |

Nominations were then opened for President of the Board. Oscar Orlopp nominated Harvey S. Chase and Fred H. Bear nominated M. N. Jensen. Orlopp moved that the nomination be closed and the motion was seconded by Bear and motion carried. The result of the vote of the Directors disclosed that M. N. Jensen received three votes and Harvey S. Chase received Two votes. Mr. Jensen was declared elected as President of the Board. President Jensen then resumed the chair.

Nominations were opened for Secretary of the Board of Directors. Director Chase nominated A. L. Schoepf. Orlopp moved to close the nomination and Chase seconded. Motion carried. John Hudson made a motion that Schoepf be appointed secretary and motion was seconded by Chase and carried. A. L. Schoepf was declared appointed Secretary. Both the President and Secretary are to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of Feb. 8th and subsequent special meeting of March 5th were read and approved as corrected.

Bills in the amount of \$948.78 were read and ordered paid upon motion by Bear and seconded by Chase. The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$37,654.38 as of Feb. 28th.

Hudson made a motion seconded by Bear and carried that the Secretary mail copies of the contract throughout the District that all qualified voters may have the opportunity to acquaint themselves with the terms of the contract.

A motion was made by Orlopp and seconded by Chase that the premium on the bonds of the Directors serving four year terms be paid in advance for the full term. This would constitute a saving of 15% on the premiums for the last three years of the bond term.

Motion by Chase seconded by Bear and carried that the exclusion hearing of Wendell G. Travioli, Mary E. Travioli and Robert E. Travioli be postponed until March 29th at 7.P.M. at the office of the District.

Motion by Orlopp seconded by Bear and carried that the exclusion hearing of Roy E. Sorensen and Jewel L. Sorensen be postponed until March 29th at 7. P. M. at the office of the District.

Motion by Hudson seconded by Orlopp and carried that the exclusion hearing of Peter E. Fink and Emma Fink be postponed until March 29th at 7 P.M. at the office of the District.

A motion was made by Hudson and seconded by Bear and carried that four directors, namely, Jensen, Bear, Chase and Orlopp be authorized to attend the Spring Convention of the Irrigation Districts Association of California at Sacramento on March 16, 17 and 18 with expenses paid by the District and that the Secretary be instructed to make hotel reservations.

The Secretary read a letter from Robert T. Durbrow, Secretary of the I. D. A. outlining the policies of the Association. A notice was read of the meeting of the Tulare County Irrigation Districts Association to be held March 10, 1949, in the City Hall in Lindsay, at 2 P.M. A letter was received from the Orange Cove Chamber of Commerce, extending its full support in obtaining water from the C.V.P. and offering its services on behalf of the District. Also a letter from the California Districts Securities Commission under date of March 7 stating that a meeting was planned for the next week at which time it was expected an Order of approval of the contract would be issued. Mr. Jensens's reply of March 1st to a letter from the I.D.A. of Feb. 25th was also read.

Mr. Glen Craig of the Cove Water Company of Orange Cove addressed the Board in regard to obtaining water from the C.V.P. through the District for city use. Mr. Craig stated that the Bureau was in accord with his plan and was informed that in all probability the Bureau would write in a clause authorizing the District in the District's contract authorizing the District to sell water to the water company. Craig said the water company would be willing to pay for any indirect benefit the Company received from rising water levels in its wells due to seepage. The Directors replied that they would consider the matter and give Mr. Craig a reply at the regular meeting in May.

Fred Woolley reported he had turned over papers and receipt for the security bonds covering the Districts deposits in the bank to the new Treasurer, D. L. Case. The bonds are now held in the Wells Fargo Bank in San Francisco. The receipt is in the deposit box at the bank in Orange Cove.

A motion was made by Chase and seconded by Hudson and carried, that the Treasurer D. L. Case be entrusted with the key to the safe deposit box at the First National Bank of Orange Cove and that he be the only person authorized to enter the box, and that all previous signature cards authorizing any other person to enter the box be canceled.

A motion was made by Hudson and seconded by Orlopp that Treasurer D. L. Case be authorized to countersign checks and warrants together with M. N. Jensen, President of the Board of Directors and A. L. Schoepf, Secretary of Board of Directors. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Orlopp and seconded by Hudson that the authority of the retiring Treasurer, Fred K. Woolley, to sign checks and warrants be terminated as of this date. Motion carried.

Woolley reported upon the progress of the committee in working upon S.B. 704 by Hatfield. The bill is entitled "Distribution Districts". Woolley read the bill to the Board. The bill must go before the Committee on Water Resources for approval before going to the Legislature.

Orlopp made a motion seconded by Hudson and carried that the services of Fred K. Woolley as consulting engineer be dispensed with as of this date. Woolley agreed that his services would be available if required. Mr. Jensen assured Woolley that his past services were greatly appreciated by the Board.

Bear made a motion seconded by Hudson and carried that the meeting be adjourned until March 29, 1949.

A. L. Schoepf

M. N. Jensen

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors, March 29, 1949.

The meeting was adjourned from the regular meeting of March 8, 1949, and was called to order at 7 P.M.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Fred H. Bear, Harvy S. Chase, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson, Secretary A. L. Schoepf, Treasurer D. L. Case, Attorney Leroy McCormick.

The exclusion hearings scheduled for the meeting of March 8 were postponed until this date. The Board proceeded to hear arguments presented by the petitioners.

Exclusion petitions heard were those of Wendell G. Travioli, Mary E. Travioli and Robert E. Travioli, Roy E. Sorensen and Jewell L. Sorensen, Peter E. Fink and Emma Fink.

Mr. David Rohrer was appointed reporter and A. L. Schoepf appointed to administer oaths. Mr. McCormick was counsel for the District. The petitioners were without counsel.

Mr. Travioli was called to testify and was questioned by McCormick Jensen and Hudson. Mr. Travioli presented a letter signed by L. J. Williams and Olga Williams in which it was stated they did not object to the exclusion. Letter was marked exhibit #1. Mr. William Butler Jr. also testified that he was not making any formal objection to the exclusion.

Schoepf testified as to the exclusion that had previously been made of a portion of the Travioli property. Mr. George T. Jadwin and Mr. B. J. Foster presented written protests to the exclusion and were also questioned by Directors Jensen and Hudson.

Mr. Roy E. Sorensen was next heard. No objections to his petition were presented. Mr. Sorensen was questioned by McCormick, Chase, Orlopp and Jensen.

Mr. Peter E. Fink's petition was then considered. There were no objections to this petition. Mr. Fink was questioned by McCormick, Jensen and Hudson.

Mr. Jensen announced that the Board would review the petitions and testimony presented and give a decision at a later date.

The Secretary read a request from Mr. Ivan W. Harper requesting partial redemption of delinquent taxes on the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 11-15-24 consisting of 40 acres. The assessor requested the Board to allow the partial payment in this case. Thereupon by motion of Orlopp, seconded by Hudson and unanimously carried the partial redemption was allowed.


The Secretary read letters from Mr. Kenneth R. McSwain, Chief Engineer of Merced Irrigation District and Mr. O. L. Abbott, Engineer-Manager of the Mantague Water Conservation District. Both letters were relative to the position of engineer of this District.

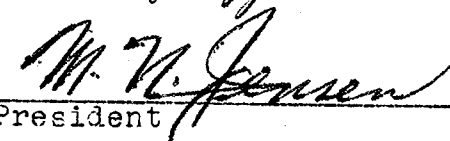
Both Mr. Jensen and Mr. McCormick spoke about and explained S.B.704.

The directors who attended the I.D.A. convention at Sacramento gave a brief report of what transpired at the convention.

Mr. Jensen reported that he had assurance that the I.D.A. would not intervene in the approval of contracts between districts and the United States.

The meeting was then adjourned.


Secretary


President

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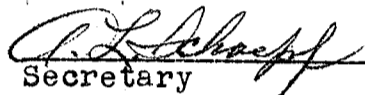
The meeting was called to order at 8 P.M.

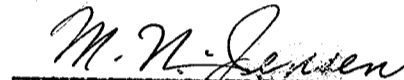
Directors present were M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase,
Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson.

All of the Directors signed an order to Consent of Special Meeting.

The Board met for the purpose of considering the submitting
of a request to the Bureau of Reclamation for the delivery to
the District of supplemental water for the season of 1949.

A motion was made by Director Hudson, seconded by Director
Bear and unanimously carried that Directors Harvey S. Chase and
Oscar Orlopp be and they are hereby appointed a committee to
call upon the Bureau of Reclamation to request an allotment
of 7000 acre feet, more or less, of water from the Friant-Kern
Canal for the 1949 season, subject to the approval of the Bureau.
Also subject to the approval by the electors of the water purchase
contract between the District and the United States of America
to be voted upon at a Special election to be held on April 22, 1949.


Secretary


President

CONSENT TO SPECIAL MEETING

We, the undersigned, constituting the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby consent to a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District to be held in the office of the District on Thursday, March 31, 1949, at 7:30 P.M., for the purpose of requesting supplemental water for the season of 1949, from the Bureau of Reclamation.

We also consent to the transaction of any and all regular business that may pertain to the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Dated this 31st day of March, 1949.

John Hudson
Harvey J. Chase
Wm. Hoff
M. N. Jensen
Fred Bear

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, April 12, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 8 P.M.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson, Attorney Leroy McCormick, Assessor-Collector-Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of March 8 and subsequent special meetings of March 29 and 31 were read. Upon Mr. Hudson's request the minutes of March 29 were amended to include Mr. Travioli's request to be present during the Board's deliberations on the exclusion hearings.

Bills in the amount of \$1391.46 were read, approved and ordered paid by motion of Chase and seconded by Bear. The bank balance of March 31 was shown as \$36,777.09 and deposits for March of \$71.49.

The Board proceeded to hear the exclusion petition of V. J. Kovacevich, Gladys M. Kovacevich and John S. Kovacevich which had been scheduled for this date.

Mrs. Opal Duwe was appointed reporter and A. L. Schoepf was appointed to administer oaths. Mr. McCormick acted as counsel for the District. V. J. Kovacevich was sworn and testified on behalf of the petitioners. He was questioned by Mr. McCormick and Mr. Jensen. No written protests were presented.

Mr. Jensen announced that the Board would consider the petition and the Board would render a decision at a later date.

The bill for reporting and transcribing the hearings of March 29 amounting to \$48.25 to be paid by the petitioners was read. The bill was for two items consisting of \$15.00 for reporting and \$33.25 for preparing the transcript.

A motion was made by Hudson and seconded by Bear that the \$15.00 be divided equally between the three petitioners. Mr. Travioli volunteered to pay two-thirds of the \$33.25 and the balance divided between the other two petitioners. This was agreed upon.

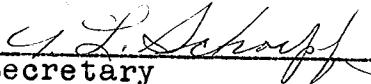
The Board held a discussion on serving certain areas with water through temporary installations if water is available this summer.


A letter from Mr. Jack W. Rodner, District Manager for the Bureau was read explaining that the Bureau would consider plans for any type of distribution system that proved to be feasible, economical and practical from an engineering standpoint. Also a letter from Mr. Rodner relative to certain statements made by himself and Mr. Boke at Dinuba.

A notice of application to appropriate water from the Kings River was read. The Board took no action on this.

A motion was made by Orlopp and seconded by Bear that the meeting be adjourned until Monday, April 18 at 7 P. M. at which time a decision would be rendered on the exclusion of lands. The petitioners were to be notified of the meeting so that they could attend if they so desired. Motion carried.

The meeting was duly adjourned until the above date.


Secretary


President

Minutes of the adjourned meeting of April 18, 1949.
The meeting was a continuation of the regular meeting of April 12, 1949

The meeting was called to order at 8 p.m.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson, Attorney Leroy McCormick, Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

The Secretary read a letter from Harlan Hagen, Assemblyman from the Thirty-sixth District in regard to S.B. 704, also Mr. Jensen's letter in reply urging Mr. Hagen to continue his support of the Bill. Director Bear made a motion seconded by Director Orlopp and unanimously carried endorsing approval of the support of the bill.

The Board then proceeded to announce its findings and decisions on the exclusion petitions before it for consideration.

A motion was made by Orlopp and seconded by Hudson that the written protests to the Travioli exclusion petition be rejected. The motion failed to carry by a vote of three to two.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Hudson that the exclusion petition of Wendell G. Travioli and Mary E. Travioli be approved and that the land be excluded from the District and that the exclusion petition of Robert E. Travioli be denied. Motion carried by a vote of three to two.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Orlopp that the exclusion petition of Roy E. Sorensen and Jewell L. Sorensen be allowed. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Orlopp that the exclusion petition of Peter E. Fink and Emma Fink be allowed. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Hudson that the exclusion petition of Vincent J. Kovacevich and Gladys M. Kovacevich and John S. Kovacevich be allowed. Motion carried unanimously.

The resolutions covering the motions are as follows:

*Resolution Re: Exclude Sorensen property
from Oeip
Placed in Resolution File 1949 10/5 LC*

A motion was made by Orlopp and seconded by Hudson that the Secretary ascertain from Mr. McCormick whether the motions made and carried by the were in order.

The Directors were to meet on Monday, April 25 at 8 P.M. to canvass the returns of the special election of April 22nd.

The meeting was then adjourned.

A. L. Schoepf
Secretary
M. N. Jensen
President

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Irrigation District, April 25, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 8 P.M.

Directors present were, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson. Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

Director Chase acted as President in the absence of Mr. Jensen.

This being the first Monday after the Special Election of April 22nd the Board met to canvass the returns of the election.

The following resolution was passed and adopted.

*Resolution Re. Canvassing Election returns
Placed in Resolution File 1949 10/85 L.C.*

The meeting was then adjourned.

Harvey S. Chase

President pro tem
A. L. Schoepf

Secretary

Minutes of the Special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, May 4, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 9 A. M.

Present were: Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson, Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

The following consent to a special meeting was signed by all Directors.

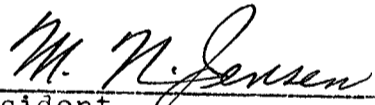
Previous to the meeting the Board had interviewed Mr. R. B. Weity, Civil Engineer, with the object in view of engaging the services of an engineer-manager for the District.

Mr. Weity agreed to furnish engineering and management service for the District according to the following stipulation. He would receive a monthly salary of \$650 from the District. For this amount he would furnish a full time assistant engineer-manager. Mr. Weity would be available as consulting engineer a minimum of two days a week. He would prepare all plans and specifications and superintend the installing of distribution systems throughout the district. The above engagement would be for an undetermined period of time.

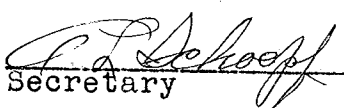
A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Bear that Mr. R. B. Weity be engaged as consulting engineer for the District at a salary of \$650 per month. Mr. Weity to furnish a resident assistant to devote his entire time to the District. Motion carried.

The Secretary was instructed to inquire into the possibility of obtaining some type of war surplus building to be used as an addition to the District office.

The meeting was then adjourned.



President



Secretary

CONSENT TO SPECIAL MEETING

We, the undersigned, constituting the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby consent to a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District to be held in the office of the District on Wednesday, May 4, 1949, at 9 A.M., for the purpose of engaging an engineer-manager for a temporary period.

We also consent to the transaction of any and all regular business that may pertain to the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Dated this 4th day of May, 1949.

Directors

W. N. Jensen
Harvey S. Chase
Fred Bear
John Hudson
Ben Klapp

Order # 3 of the California Districts Securities Commission was received on March 16th, 1949. The order approved the contract for the purchase of water from the United States.

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, May 10, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P. M.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Treasurer Donald L. Case, Secretary A. L. Schoepf, Attorney Leroy McCormick.

Bills in the amount of \$550.96 were read and ordered paid by motion of Hudson seconded by Chase.

The Bank balance for April 30th was shown as \$35,535.91. Deposits for April of \$93.32.

A letter of application for the position of engineer from Mr. O. L. Abbott was read. No action was taken.

A news release from Richard L. Boke was read in which he stated that there would be 100,000 feet of water available this summer from the Friant-Aern Canal as far south as the St. John's River.

Mr. Jensen reported upon the Board's investigation of irrigation practices around Tracy, Calif.

The Secretary reported that he was investigating the possibility of obtaining some type of war surplus building to be used as an addition to the office building. He also reported that he had contacted the Arizona-Nevada Constructors in regard to purchasing pipe for use in distributin water. The Board decided not to purchase pipe for this purpose but to leave it up to the landowners to do so if they desired.

The Board discussed ways and means of using the water which is to be available this summer. Mr. Jensen stated that the Board had met with the Board of the Alta Irrigation District to discuss the matter of using the Alta Canal as a channel for distributing project water to certain areas of this District. Mr. Jensen said the Alta Board seemed to be agreeable to this arrangement but only after the Alta run is over. Further reports would be had later.

The subject of securing easements through properties for the purpose of laying pipe lines was discussed with Mr. McCormick. He advised that this was a legal procedure and that he would attend to it when the time came as individual easements would possibly require different terms.

It was announced that the time set for signing the contract for the purchase of water from the United States was 2 P.M. Friday, May 20th at the American Legion Hall in Orange Cove. Mr. Richard L. Boke will sign for the United States and Mr. Jensen will sign for the District.

The Secretary was instructed to give the occasion publicity in the newspapers.

Director Chase moved that this meeting be adjourned until May 20th at 2 P.M. in the American Legion Hall. The motion was seconded by Director Bear and carried.

M. N. Jensen
President

A. L. Schoepf
Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, May 20th, 1949.

The Meeting was called to order at 2 P.M. at the American Legion Hall in Orange Cove. This meeting was adjourned from the regular meeting of May 10, 1949.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson, Treasurer Donald L. Case, Attorney Leroy McCormick, Secretary A. L. Schoepf.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Geo. Zaninovich, one of the original directors, expressing his regret of being unable to attend this meeting.

Hall

The meeting was held in the American Legion/in anticipation of accommodating an audience to witness the ceremony of signing the contract for the purchase of water from the United States. The office space being inadequate for such an occasion.

Reclamation Bureau officials in attendance were, Richard L. Boke, Regional Director, Ralph M. Brody, Assistant Regional Counsel, R. J. Shuckle, Engineer, Jack W. Rodner, Tulare Basin District manager, R. K. Durant, Construction Engineer, W. A. Alexander, Engineer, Paul T. Ragle, Chief, Operations Division and C. H. Kepner, Division Photographer.

A large audience composed mainly of landowners of the district witnessed the ceremony.

The Secretary read the resolution authorizing the President of the Board of Directors to sign the contract whereupon a motion was made by Director Chase, seconded by Director Bear and carried that the following resolution be passed and adopted.

OTSO!

*Resolution Re: President to Execute Water
Contract
Placed in Resolution Book 1949 10/85 L.C.*

Richard L. Boke, Regional Director, signed for the United States of America and M. N. Jensen, President of the Board of Directors, signed for the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

After the signing was completed Mr. Jensen members of the Board and others to speak. Short talks were given by Richard L. Boke and other Bureau officials. Attorneys Leroy McCormick and Lawrence Young also addressed the gathering.

Before the singing of the contract Mr. Berry Foster addressed the meeting and with appropriate remarks presented Mr. Jensen with a gift from friends of a fountain pen as a memento of the occasion and as a token of appreciation of his services to the district during the past fifteen years. Mr. Jensen is one of the original directors and is the only one still serving on the Board.

The meeting was then adjourned.

M. N. Jensen

President

V. L. Slard

Secretary

ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

ORANGE COVE, CALIFORNIA

June 10, 1949

Herewith statement of Bank Account, Cash on Hand, and
Petty Cash Account as at close of business June 10, 1949.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Bank Statement Balance | | \$35,438.00 |
| Petty Cash Account Balance | \$ 86.72 | |
| Cash on Hand | 9.10 | |
| Total Expenditures from Account | <u>104.18</u> | 200.00 |



A. L. Schoepf, Retiring Secretary
ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Acknowledged and found correct.



V. L. Slade, Secretary
ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Tulare) ss

I, M. N. JENSEN, President of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby certify that at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, held on the 14th day of June, 1949, at the office of the District, V. L. SLADE was appointed in the place and stead of A. L. SCHOEPP, resigned, to the office of Assessor-Tax Collector for the District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand this 14th day of June, 1949.

M. N. Jensen
President, Board of Directors

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of ~~Tulare~~ ^{FRESNO.}) ss

I do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the State of California, and I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Assessor-Tax Collector according to the best of my ability.

V. L. Slade

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 20th day of June, 1949.

Ernest L. Kanawyer
Notary Public in and for said
County and State.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JANUARY 15, 1951

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, June 14th, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Treasurer Donald L. Case, Acting Secretary V. L. Slade, and Attorney Leroy McCormick.

Mr. Jensen read a letter dated June 10th, 1949 from Mr. A. L. Schoepf in which he gave notice of his resignation as Secretary of the Board of Directors and as Assessor-Collector of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, effective as of June 10th, 1949. Director Bear moved to accept Mr. Schoepf's resignation and Director Orlopp seconded, and adopted.

Director Chase made a motion that V. L. Slade be appointed Secretary of the Board of Directors and motion was seconded by Director Orlopp and carried.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Bear that the Secretary should write a letter to Mr. Schoepf expressing the Board's appreciation of the very efficient way in which he had handled the affairs of the Irrigation District during his long period of office. Motion carried.

Director Chase made a motion that V. L. Slade be appointed Assessor-Collector of the Orange Cove Irrigation District and motion was seconded by Director Bear. The motion was carried by a vote of four to one.

A motion was made by Director Chase and seconded by Director Hudson that V. L. Slade should receive a starting salary of \$250.00 per month divided as follows: duties as Secretary \$200.00 per month, Assessor-Collector \$50.00 per month. Motion carried.

A motion made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Bear that Secretary V. L. Slade should arrange with the First National Bank of Orange Cove that the surety bond of the Assessor-Collector for \$10,000.00 in the name of A. L. Schoepf be transferred to V. L. Slade and for a new surety bond to be written fixed at \$5,000.00 for Secretary in the name of V. L. Slade. Motion carried.

A letter from A. L. Schoepf to Mr. J. F. Sorensen dated May 24th, 1949 was read outlining the terms and conditions of the appointment of Mr. Sorensen as Engineer-Manager of the Orange Cove Irrigation District. *** Motion made by Director Hudson confirming this appointment and seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Bear that Mr. Sorensen be authorized to make purchases of materials and supplies without prior authority of the Board. Motion carried.

Motion made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Chase that the First National Bank of Orange Cove be instructed to cancel the authority of A. L. Schoepf to countersign checks in the capacity of Secretary on the General Fund and his authority to draw checks on the Petty Cash Account effective as of June 10th, 1949. Also that Secretary V. L. Slade be given authority to countersign checks on the General Fund and to draw checks on the Petty Cash Account effective as of June 14th, 1949. The Secretary was requested to attend to these matters. Motion carried.

Mr. Jensen requested Mr. Schoepf to prepare and submit a statement of the bank balance and cash on hand as at close of business June 10, 1949 to be acknowledged by V. L. Slade.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of May 10th, 1949 and subsequent adjourned regular meeting of May 20th, 1949 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$637.87 were read and ordered paid by motion of Director Chase, seconded by Director Bear. The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$35,411.79 as of May 31st, 1949.

*** At a starting salary of \$550.00 per month, plus transportation to and from work and while engaged in district affairs.

A letter dated June 3rd, 1949 from the Friant-Water Users Association was read in which it stated that dues of \$10.00 for 1949-50 are now due and payable. Motion by Director Chase seconded by Director Bear that these dues be paid.

Motion made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Chase that a water cooler be purchased for the District Office in accordance with Mr. Sorensen's proposal. Motion carried.

Mr. Sorensen discussed the question of a letter to be sent to all landowners advising them that water will be obtained from the Friant-Kern Canal this year and urging all landowners wishing to avail themselves of this water to contact the District Office where the irrigation engineer will be available from 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. on the nights of June 21st and June 28th and full time after July 5th. A letter to this effect was drafted and arrangements made for its dispatch the following day.

Mr. Sorensen reported on his meeting with Mr. Durant of the Bureau of Reclamation, Friant in regard to the taking of water from the Canal to be served to certain areas through temporary distribution facilities. Mr. McCormick made proposals to free the District of liability for damages caused by the overflow of water in the ditches or other causes, the liability to be placed on the landowners taking the water.

Letters were read dated May 25th and June 1st, 1949 from the Irrigation Districts Association of California, San Francisco in regard to the hearing on the Crittenden bills, Senate Bills No. 1231 and No. 1232 which have been postponed indefinitely.

A further letter dated June 6th, 1949 from the Irrigation Districts Association of California was read in which it advised that Senate Bill 704 had been signed by the Governor and is Chapter 169, Statutes 1949. It will become law on the 91st day after the adjournment of the Legislature.

The Secretary advised that a photostatic copy of the Petition for Organization of the Orange Cove Irrigation District had been received from the County Recorder, Fresno, which will be retained in the office safe.

The meeting was then adjourned.

M. N. Jensen
President

J. L. Slade
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, July 12th, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Treasurer D. L. Case, Secretary V. L. Slade, and Attorney Leroy McCormick. **Engineer-Manager J.F. Sorensen.**

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of June 14th, 1949 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$937.95 were read and ordered paid by motion of Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp. The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$34,779.26 as of June 30th.

A letter dated June 29th, 1949 from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Sacramento was read announcing that water will be available in the Friant-Kern Canal commencing July 9th, 1949 for delivery to the Orange Cove Irrigation District pursuant to contract 175r-1672. All water furnished will be Class 2 water and charged at the rate of \$1.50 per acre foot at Friant-Kern Canal side.

A letter was read dated July 2nd, 1949 addressed to Mr. Leroy McCormick from Ralph M. Brody, United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Washington, D. C. in reply to Mr. McCormick's letter of June 21st with reference to excess lands of this District. Mr. Brody stated that he hoped to return to California within a week or ten days and would prefer to delay making any comment upon the matter until he had an opportunity to investigate the question involved and to ascertain what statements were made.

A letter from the Irrigation Districts Association of California, San Francisco, dated June 24th, 1949 was read in which it advised that Senate Bills 1231 and 1232 are dead and will not be heard.

The following resolution was passed and adopted:

*Resolution Re: Funds Rel. for purchase
of water
Placed in Resolution File 1949 10/85 L.C. -*

Mr. Sorensen read a letter dated July 12th which he had prepared addressed to the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Fresno, with which we enclosed our check for \$3,300.00 representing payment in advance for 2,200 acre feet of Class 2 water to be made available for our use from the Friant-Kern Canal between July 12th and September 1st, 1949.

The matter of the budget and an assessment for the fiscal year 1949-50 was discussed generally, also the question of the proposed valuations for assessment upon the various types of land in the District. It was proposed to delay decision on these matters until the Board met at some future date for a further discussion.

Director Orlopp requested Mr. A. L. Schoepf, who was present at the meeting, to give his interpretation of the different grades which he had placed upon the various types of land in the district for the purpose of assessment. Mr. Schoepf replied as follows:

Grade I Land: Land being irrigated at present or ready for irrigation. No grading necessary.

Grade II Land: Land not being irrigated at present. Very little grading necessary.

Grade III Land: Rough land which would require considerable grading.

Grade IV Land: Very rough land, rocky, ~~hardpan~~, swales, hog-wallows, etc. Not likely to be graded.

The date of the meeting of the Board as a Board of Equalization was set as August 29th, 1949 at 7:30 P.M. at the office of the District by motion of Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Chase. The notice of the date, time, and place was to be published in both Fresno and Tulare Counties. Motion carried.

The meeting was then adjourned.

M. N. Jensen
President

V. L. Slade
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, August 9th, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Treasurer Donald L. Case, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, Secretary V. L. Slade, and Attorney Leroy McCormick.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of July 12th were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$1238.43 were read and ordered paid by motion of Director Chase, seconded by Director Hudson. The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$33,841.31 as of July 31st.

A letter dated July 14th, 1949 from Mr. R. K. Durant, United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Friant, was read by Mr. Sorensen in which the list of temporary installations that the District proposed to provide along the Friant-Kern Canal for the diversion of water was approved with the understanding that they be for temporary use only and subject to removal at any time when so instructed by the government.

Motion made by Director Bear and seconded by Director Orlopp that the Engineer-Manager should arrange for the purchase and installation of a gasoline tank and pump on the Irrigation District premises. Motion carried.

It was agreed that Mr. Sorensen should purchase a fireproof cabinet of safe for the Districts assessment cards and other records, also a table and additional chairs for office use.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Chase that an amount of thirty cents per acre foot be charged to landowners receiving water on a temporary basis to defray the Irrigation Districts administrative and engineering expenses incurred in this connection. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Chase that arrangements be made for Mr. Sorensen to obtain a Notarys commission to facilitate the notarising of petitions and documents in connection with the formation of improvement and distribution districts, etc. Motion carried.

Mr. McCormick made reference to a recent visit he had received from Mr. Ralph Brody, Bureau of Reclamation, and to a request from the Bureau that we should proceed without delay with the validation of the Contract signed between the United States and the Orange Cove Irrigation District on May 20th, 1949. A relative complaint had been prepared by Mr. McCormick and extracts from it were read by him. The following resolution was passed and adopted:

*Resolution Re: Signed Contract with
Placed in Resolution File 1949 1/85 L.C.*

A letter dated June 15th from Mr. J. W. Rodner, United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Fresno, addressed to Mr. M. N. Jensen, was read in regard to excess lands and to the appointment of appraisers for the appraisal of such lands.

A general discussion between the Board and various landowners attending the meeting took place in regard to Improvement and Distribution Districts. It was suggested that Mr. Sorensen should proceed with the drawing up of plans, costs, etc., for proposed Districts and when completed, landowners within a given area should be called to a meeting for the purpose of approving their particular district. Mr. McCormick stated that at this time it would not be practical to prepare petitions, and that this should be delayed until the boundaries of the proposed districts were determined.

A motion was then made by Director Chase and seconded by Director Bear that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

M. N. Jensen
President

V. L. Slade
Secretary

Minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, August 29th, 1949.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary V. L. Slade. ATTORNEY LEROY McCORMICK.

The Board of Directors sat as a Board of Equalization. As there were no protests to the assessment valuations, the hearing was closed and the following resolution was passed and adopted:

In the Matter of Equalization)
of Assessments)

UPON A MOTION OF Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Hudson, the following resolution was made, passed, and adopted:

WHEREAS, The Assessor of the Orange Cove Irrigation District has heretofore completed his assessment book, and delivered it to the Secretary of the Board; and

WHEREAS, said Secretary upon receipt of said assessment gave notice by publication thereof in the ORANGE COVE NEWS, CUTLER-OROSI COURIER, and REEDLEY EXPONENT, newspapers of general circulation published in the Counties in which the District is located, of the time and place when and where the Board of Directors will sit as a board of equalization; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Directors sitting as a board of equalization, has now met and continued in session, and has heard and determined all objections to the valuation, acreage and other such matter pertaining to the said assessments as have come to the attention of the Board; and

WHEREAS, said assessment roll is now ready for final equalization and approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the assessment roll of the Orange Cove Irrigation District for the fiscal year 1949-50, be and the same is hereby declared finally equalized and approved for assessment purposes.

The meeting was then adjourned.

M. N. Jensen
President

V. L. Slade
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, September 13, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Treasurer D. L. Case, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, Secretary V. L. Slade, and Attorney Leroy McCormick.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of August 9th and the Board of Equalization meeting of August 29th were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$2,255.50 were read and ordered paid by motion of Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear. The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$32,768.87 as of August 31, 1949.

The Secretary made reference to and read extracts from the annual report of the audit of District operations for the past fiscal year. The report indicated that the records and transactions of the District had been kept in a satisfactory manner. It was stated that anyone may have access to this report upon personal application to the office of the District. A motion was made by Director Chase seconded by Director Hudson that the financial statement be approved. Motion carried.

The Budget for the fiscal year of 1949-50 was read, approved, and adopted by the following resolution:

UPON A MOTION OF DIRECTOR HUDSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR ORLOPP, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS MADE, PASSED AND ADOPTED:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following be, and the same is hereby adopted as the budget for the Orange Cove Irrigation District for the fiscal year 1949-50, to wit:

Regular Payroll Expense

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Manager | \$6,600.00 | |
| Assessor-Collector-Secretary | 4,000.00 | |
| Typist | 2,000.00 | |
| Draftsman, Surveyor | 7,500.00 | \$20,100.00 |

General Expense

| | | |
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| Publications, Dues, Etc. | 100.00 | |
| Telephone, Telegraph | 150.00 | |
| Gas, Electricity | 74.02 | |
| Janitor Service | 200.00 | |
| Office & Engineering Equipment | 200.00 | |
| Office & Engineering Supplies | 378.00 | |
| Machinery & Equipment | 3,000.00 | |
| Operation of District Vehicles (Or mileage of rented vehicles) | 650.00 | |
| Directors Travel Expense | 1,000.00 | |
| Legal Expense | 3,000.00 | |
| Insurance, Bonds, Notary Fees | 850.00 | |
| Accounting, Auditing | 500.00 | |
| Legal Advertising | 150.00 | |
| Reserve for Depreciation | 775.00 | |
| Office Repairs and Additions | 1,000.00 | |
| General Reserve | 10,000.00 | |
| Contingent Reserve | 7,500.00 | 29,527.02 |

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|---------------------------|-----------|
| Total Estimated Expense | 49,627.02 |
| Cash on Hand July 1, 1949 | 34,908.48 |

Amount to be Raised by Assessment \$14,718.54

The rate of assessment was discussed and it was found that in order to meet the budget requirement it would be necessary to set an assessment rate of \$0.80 (eighty cents) upon each \$100 of assessed valuation of land within the district. The following resolution was passed and adopted:

UPON A MOTION OF DIRECTOR CHASE, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR BEAR, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS MADE, PASSED AND ADOPTED:

WHEREAS, the total assessed valuation for the Orange Cove Irrigation District has been found to be \$2,164,491.68; and

WHEREAS, certain delinquencies in the payment of the hereinafter levied assessments are to be expected, and that 15% is a reasonable amount to be allowed for anticipated delinquencies, thereby leaving the sum of \$1,839,817.93 as the net valuation of said District for assessment purposes; and,

WHEREAS, the district has on hand the sum of \$34,908.48 as of July 1, 1949, to be applied to the budget, leaving a balance of \$14,718.54 to be raised by assessment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an assessment of \$0.80 (eighty cents) upon each \$100 of assessed valuation of the Orange Cove Irrigation District be, and the same is hereby levied for the fiscal year 1949-50, and the Secretary of this Board is hereby directed to compute and enter in the Assessment Book the respective sums in dollars and cents to be paid as an assessment on the property therein enumerated.

Mr. Sorensen made reference to a letter which he had written to the United States Bureau of Reclamation, Friant, concerning the possibility of utilizing water remaining in the Friant-Kern Canal after releases from the Friant Dam had stopped, and to their reply confirming that there would be no objection to the District using such water.

The question of the menace of the growth of Johnson grass which had appeared in certain areas of the Friant Kern Canal was discussed and a suggestion made that the Board should confer with the Friant Water Users Association in this connection with a view to their taking the matter up with the Bureau of Reclamation.

Mr. Jensen referred to a list of questions which had been prepared for delivery to the United States Bureau of Reclamation, a copy of which was handed by the Secretary to all the landowners who were present at the meeting. Mr. J. W. Rodner, District Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, had stated at a recent meeting in Fresno with the Board of this District, that upon receipt of these questions he would refer them to the proper quarter and obtain the relative answers for us. Mr. Sorensen proceeded to read all the questions listed, and said he would welcome any suggestions or additional questions to be added to the list. A general discussion on the subject followed and a motion was made by Director Hudson, seconded by Director Orlopp that Mr. Sorensen be directed to deliver the list of questions concerning the distribution systems to the District Manager of the United States Bureau of Reclamation and to request an immediate reply. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Chase and seconded by Director Orlopp that office space should be improved and made available in the District building to accommodate draftsmen whom it was anticipated would be required in the near future to assist Mr. Sorensen in surveying and drafting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Chase that due to the inadequacy of the District office to accommodate the public at the regular monthly meetings of the Board of Directors, that for the future the Legion Hall should be engaged for such meetings. Motion carried.

A general discussion between the Board and the landowners attending the meeting took place in regard to Improvement and Distribution Districts.

A motion was then made by Director Bear and seconded by Director Chase that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

President.-----

M. N. Jensen

Secretary.-----

J. L. Slade

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, September 14, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 P.M.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson, and Secretary V. L. Slade.

The following consent to a special meeting was signed by all directors:

Secretary-Assessor-Collector V. L. Slade handed a letter dated September 14, 1949 to the Board of Directors reading as follows:

A motion was made with deep regret by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Chase to accept Mr. Slade's resignation as Secretary to the Board of Directors and Assessor-Collector of the Orange Cove Irrigation District to take effect as of October 3rd 1949. It was requested that a letter of recommendation be given to Mr. Slade together with an expression of the Board's appreciation of the very efficient way in which he had carried out his duties during his short period with the District. The motion carried.

The Board interviewed applicants for the positions in question, and a motion was made by Director Hudson that Mr. Allan J. Vortmann be appointed Secretary to the Board of Directors and Assessor-Collector of the Orange Cove Irrigation District and that he should receive a starting salary of \$250.00 per month divided as follows: duties as Secretary \$200.00 per month, Assessor-Collector \$50.00 per month. The motion was seconded by Director Chase and carried.

The meeting was then adjourned.

President.-----

M. N. Jensen

Secretary.-----

V. L. Slade

CONSENT TO SPECIAL MEETING.

We , the undersigned, constituting the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby consent to a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District to be held in the office of the district on Wednesday, September 14th, 1949, at 7.30 P.M. for the purpose of transacting any and all regular business that may pertain to the Orange Cove Irrigation District, and to accept the resignation of V.L. Slade, Secretary, Assessor-Collector, and to interview and engage a new Secretary, Assessor*Collector.

Dated this 14th day of September, 1949.

Directors.

M. N. Jensen

John Hudson

Harvey S. Chase

Fred Beare

Gene Bluff

ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

ORANGE COVE, CALIFORNIA

September 14th, 1949.

The Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Gentlemen:

It is with keen regret that I am forced to resign my position as Secretary to the Board of Directors and Assessor-Collector of the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

As you are aware, this situation has been brought about by the understanding we have received from Mr. Leroy McCormick to the effect that as I am not as yet a citizen of the United States of America, it is not possible for me to hold the positions in question.

In these circumstances I have no alternative but to submit to you my resignation to become effective as and when the Board of Directors should so decide.

Respectfully yours,

V. L. Slade

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 3rd, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M.

Present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, Oscar Orlopp, John Hudson, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, Secretary V. L. Slade, & A. J. Vortmann.

The following consent to a special meeting was signed by all directors:

Motion made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Hudson that the First National Bank of Orange Cove be instructed to cancel the authority of V. L. Slade to countersign checks in the capacity of Secretary on the General Fund and the Temporary Water Account and his authority to draw checks on the Petty Cash Account effective as of October 4th, 1949. Also that Secretary A. J. Vortmann be given authority to countersign checks on the General Fund and Temporary Water Account, and to draw checks on the Petty Cash Account effective as of October 4th, 1949. The Secretary was requested to attend to these matters. Motion carried.

A motion made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Bear that Secretary A. J. Vortmann should arrange with the First National Bank of Orange Cove that the surety bond of the Assessor-Collector for \$10,000.00 and the surety bond of the Secretary for \$5,000.00 both in the name of V. L. Slade be transferred to A. J. Vortmann. Motion carried.

Mr. Jensen requested Mr. Slade to prepare and submit a statement of the bank balance and cash on hand as at close of business October 3rd, 1949 to be acknowledged by A. J. Vortmann.

The meeting was then adjourned.

M. N. Jensen
President

V. L. Slade
Secretary

ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

ORANGE COVE, CALIFORNIA

October 3rd 1949.

Herewith statement of General Fund, Temporary Water Account and Petty Cash Account as at close of business October 3rd 1949.

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| General Fund Balance. | | \$30,685.67. |
| Temporary Water Account. | | 652.41. |
| Petty cash account bal: | \$146.53. | |
| Cash on hand. | 7.93. | |
| Expenditure from account. | <u>45.54.</u> | 200.00. |

V. L. Slade

V.L.Slade. Retiring Secretary.
Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Acknowledged and found correct.

A. J. Vortmann

A.J.Vortmann. Secretary.
Orange Cove Irrigation District.

CONSENT TO SPECIAL MEETING.

We, the undersigned, constituting The Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby consent to a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District to be held in the office of the District on Monday, October 3rd, 1949, at 7.30P.M. for the purpose of cancelling the signature of V.L.Slade on the various accounts maintained at the First National Bank in Orange Cove in the name of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, and to authorize A.J.Vortmann to sign in his place.

We also consent to the transaction of any and all regular business that may pertain to the Orange Cove Irrigation District.

Dated this 3rd day of October 1949.

Directors.

M. N. Jensen

Anna Bluff

John Hudson

Fred Bear

Harvey S. Chase

CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Fresno) ss

I, M. N. JENSEN, President of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby certify that at the special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, held on the 14th day of September, 1949, at the office of the District, A. J. VORTMANN was appointed in the place and stead of V. L. SLADE, resigned, to the office of Assessor-Tax Collector for the District, effective the 4th day of October, 1949.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand this 4th day of October, 1949.

M. N. Jensen
President, Board of Directors

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Fresno) ss

I do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the State of California, and I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Assessor-Tax Collector according to the best of my ability.

A. J. Vortmann

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this 7th day of October, 1949.

J. Sorensen
Notary Public in and for said
County and State.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 11, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, Fred H. Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, Secretary A. J. Vortmann, and Attorney Leroy McCormick.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of September 13, the special meeting of September 14, and the special meeting of October 3, were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$1,709.76 per attached list were read and ordered paid by motion of Director Hudson, seconded by Director Orlopp. The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$30,685.67 as of September 30, 1949.

The Secretary stated that the assessment notices for the 1949-50 assessments would be mailed during the week of October 10, and that the first publication of legal notice would appear in the Orange Cove News, Reedley Exponent, and the Cutler-Orosi Courier during the week of October 10.

Director Jensen requested a financial report on the Temporary Water Account and the Secretary reported Cash in the Bank as of September 30 in the amount of \$585.00. The District owes the Bureau of Reclamation on demand \$957.00 for temporary water supplied.

Director Jensen requested the Secretary to send reminder notices to those temporary water users who have not as yet paid their accounts.

A motion was made by Director Chase and seconded by Director Bear that Mr. Leroy McCormick be authorized to represent the Orange Cove Irrigation District at the National Reclamation Association Convention. Motion carried.

Mr. Sorensen was instructed by the directors to take the district pickup truck and leave it parked outside his home in order to prevent possible pilferage.

Mr. Sorensen brought up the fact that some thought should be given by the Board of Directors with regard to formulating policies in relation to the district's handling of temporary and permanent water systems contemplated for use in the future.

The Directors agreed to take the matter of setting district policies regarding supervision and handling of temporary and permanent systems under advisement.

Mr. Sorensen made reference to Tulare County Ordinance #391 which in general states that all pipe lines installed in the future cannot be located within 25 feet of the existing road right of way lines. Mr. McCormick stated there was going to be a meeting to consider irrigation pipeline right of way problems in the Planning Commission Office, Visalia, October 19th, 1949.

Mr. Sorensen reported that the questionnaire submitted to the Bureau has not as yet been answered.

Mr. Sorensen read a letter received from the Bureau of Reclamation dated September 26, 1949 regarding the appraisal of excess lands and its relation to project water.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp and seconded by Director Chase that a copy of this letter be sent to all excess land owners in the district. Motion carried.

Due to the increasing amount of Johnson Grass growing in and along the Friant-Kern Canal, Mr. Sorensen was requested to write a letter to the Friant Water Users Association with reference to possible action on weed control problems on unlined sections of the canal.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Bear that Mr. Sorensen be authorized to attend the Irrigation Districts Association convention, and to make reservations for those Directors who are able to attend. Also Mr. Sorensen was authorized to remit \$5.00 reservation fee for himself as well as for each Director who is to attend. Motion carried.

Mr. Sorensen read a letter dated October 6, 1949 from Mr. Leroy McCormick advising that on the last day to appear in resistance to the petition to validate the water contract between the United States and the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Viola Cochrane filed a general demurrer and the matter was set for hearing for October 10, 1949.

Mr. McCormick stated that on October 10 the judge took the matter under advisement. It was pointed out there had been an error in publication of the legal notice of the action and that republication would be necessary.

A general discussion between the Board of Directors and various landowners attending the meeting followed.

The meeting was then adjourned.

M. N. Jensen

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, November 8, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, Secretary A. J. Vortmann, and Attorney Leroy McCormick. Director Fred H. Bear was absent.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of October 11, 1949 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$1,656.71 per attached list were read and ordered paid by motion of Director Chase, seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion passed.

The Secretary reported a bank abalance of \$31,364.75 as of October 31, 1949.

Director Jensen requested a financial report on the Temporary Water Account, and the Secretary reported Cash in the Bank as of October 31 in the amount of \$488.64. The outstanding amounts still owing to the District amounted to \$363.78. Reminder notices were mailed to these outstanding accounts on October 31, 1949.

A motion was made by Director Hudson that the proper officers, President, Treasurer, and Secretary be authorized to make necessary disbursements from the Temporary Water Account. Seconded by Director Orlopp and the motion was carried.

Director Jensen stated that the Friant Water Users Association had called a meeting on November 22. Director Orlopp suggested that at this meeting the subject of the Tulare County set-back ordinance be brought up for discussion.

Mr. McCormick reported that November 14 was the date set by the Judge for the hearing on the demurrer on the validation of the water contract. Mr. McCormick then gave a report on the National Reclamation Association convention at Salt Lake City.

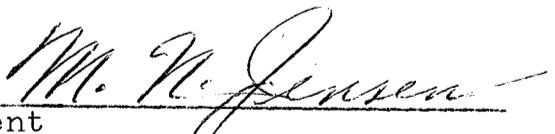
Mr. Sorensen brought up the matter of handling the construction of temporary systems and requested that a policy be set.

A motion was made by Director Hudson that all temporary lines to be installed under the supervision of the District must be paid for in cash prior to the starting of work on such systems. Seconded by Director Chase and motion carried.

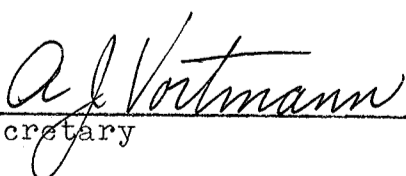
Handling of Cash Received as deposit for Temporary Systems; advised to deposit these amounts into the General Fund.

Mr. Sorensen then gave a report on his survey of the district with regards to the type of system desired in various areas with regard to distributing the water from the canal.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Orlopp to adjourn the meeting until 1:00 P.M. Wednesday, November 16, 1949. Motion Passed.



President



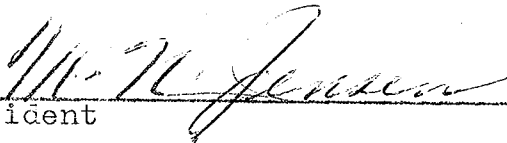
Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, November 16, 1949.

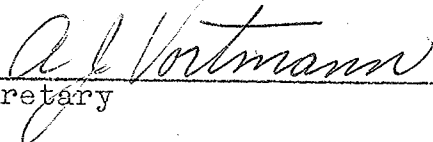
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. at the District Office. This meeting was adjourned from the regular meeting of November 8th.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, John Hudson, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann. Directors Fred H. Bear and Oscar Orlopp were absent.

A motion was made by Director Chase and seconded by Director Hudson that the meeting be adjourned until 7:30 P.M. November 21, 1949. Motion passed.



President



Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, November 21, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. at the District Office. This was continued from the adjourned regular meeting of November 16, 1949.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann. Absent Director Fred H. Bear.

Mr. Sorensen discussed the problems regarding a distribution system within the Orange Cove Irrigation District, pointing out the desires of a majority of persons in various areas as to type of system they preferred.

A general discussion between property owners and the Board of Directors was held.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Chase that a petition for a Distribution District hereinafter described be prepared and circulated:

Commencing at the west edge of the Friant-Kern Canal right-of-way at the north line of the south half of Section 2, Township 15 South, Range 24 East, M. D. B. & M. running thence to include that portion of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 2 lying south and east of Hills Valley Creek and that portion of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 2 lying south and east of Hills Valley Creek and the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 2; thence west to the Alta Canal along Lincoln Avenue; thence southerly and southeasterly along the east edge of the Alta Canal to Palm Avenue, thence north to the District Boundary near Sand Creek; thence following District Boundary easterly along the north side of Curtis Mountain; thence following the District Boundaries in Sections 29, 28, 21, 22, East Boundary of Section 17, Boundaries in Section 8, 7, 6, thence West along the south side of Section 1 to the west side of the Friant-Kern Canal and thence northwesterly along the west side of Canal to point of beginning.

And that the area as hereinafter described within the boundaries of the proposed Distribution District be treated as a unit and if less than $\frac{2}{3}$ of the title holders of record as shown on the last equalized assessment sign the petition for the formation of the proposed Distribution District this unit is to be excluded from said proposed Distribution District. The description of this unit area is as follows:

Sections 9 and 10, the north $\frac{1}{2}$ of the northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 11 and the north $\frac{1}{2}$ of the north $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 15, in Township 15 South, Range 24 East, M. D. B. & M.

AYES: Four

NOES: None

ABSENT: Director Fred H. Bear

Motion Passed.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Chase that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

M. N. Jensen
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, December 13, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Officers present were Directors M. N. Jensen, President, Harvey S. Chase, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, Secretary A. J. Vortmann, and Attorney Leroy McCormick. Director Fred H. Bear was absent.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of November 8, 1949, the adjourned meeting of November 16, and the adjourned meeting of November 21 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$1,530.38 per attached list were read and approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Hudson, seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion passed.

The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$37,545.18 as of Nov. 30, 1949. The Secretary reported the Temporary Water Account had cash on hand as of November 30, 1949 in the amount of \$653.64, and a balance due from users in the amount of \$197.93. Reminder notices had been mailed to these outstanding accounts on November 30, 1949. Director Orlopp requested the Secretary to mail reminder notices again to outstanding accounts.

J. F. Sorensen discussed emergency line contracts with regard to authorization by the District. A motion was made by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the following contract for building emergency pipe line along South Avenue be approved as to form. Motion Passed.

AGREEMENT

BE IT REMEMBERED that the ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT, as party of the first part, and the undersigned, as parties of the second part, have entered into an agreement as follows: to-wit,

WHEREAS the undersigned parties of the second part are desirous of obtaining water from the Friant-Kern Canal and for that purpose are desirous of constructing a distribution system described more particularly as follows:

A concrete pipeline with pumps designed to deliver approximately three gallons per minute per acre to the lands owned by the undersigned lying north and south of South Avenue between Missouri Avenue and Avenue 18 N. The pipe is to meet ASTM specification C 118-39 for standard concrete irrigation pipe, and is to be installed according to the standards set forth in "Specification for Installation of Concrete Irrigation Pipe" (revised 1949) recommended by the California Associated Concrete Pipe Manufacturers.

The pipeline will run from the Friant-Kern Canal turnout at Parlier Avenue thence east along the north side of Parlier Avenue to Smyrna (Lemon) Avenue, thence north along the west side of Smyrna (Lemon) Avenue to the north side of South Avenue, thence easterly along the north side of South Avenue to a point of delivery near Avenue 18 N.

The approximate quantities are: 4560 lineal feet of 16 inch diameter concrete pipe, 3960 lineal feet of 14 inch inside diameter concrete pipe, 5280 lineal feet of 12 inch inside diameter concrete pipe, necessary road crossings and pipe connections and three pump installations with appurtenant facilities.

Changes in construction of the above described system can be made with the approval of the following committee of three which has been appointed by the majority of the undersigned: D. P. Bailey, Jason Wright, H. W. Picher.

No contract for construction of the above described system will be executed or approved without the written approval of the above mentioned committee. If the decision of the committee does not meet the approval of any of the undersigned, such parties shall have the right to withdraw from this agreement within five days.

The undersigned agree to contribute or pay to the District the sum set opposite their names at the rate of forty dollars (\$40.00) per acre and which amount shall be expended by the District in construction of the distribution system as hereinbefore described.

The District, as party of the first part, agrees to construct said distribution system providing the contributions from the second parties are sufficient to do so. When all funds received by the

As Ave System

District have been expended it shall be relieved of further obligation to construct said distribution system.

All costs incidental and pertaining to the construction incurred by the first party shall be charged against the cost of construction of said distribution system.

All costs of operation and amintenance of said distribution system incurred by the District will be paid by the second parties in the ratio that their acreage served by the system bears to the total a acreage served by said system.

Either the first party or a majority of the second parties may cancel and terminate this contract at any time upon a thirty day written notice given to the other.

The second parties hereby expressly relieve the first party from all damages or claims which might arise for want of construction of said distribution system, or which might arise during the operation of the system.

The first party shall not be liable for any breaks occuring in the line or any damages occuring to the property of the undersigned by reason of any flooding or overflow from said distribution system, and the first party shall not be liable for the failure to deliver water or for any injuries or damages to the crops of the undersigned by reason of failure of water, irrespective of the fault of first party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed on the _____ day of _____, 19 ____.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the contract as follows for the building of an emergency line along Park Avenue be approved as to form. Motion passed.

Park Ave

AGREEMENT

BE IT REMEMBERED that the ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT, as party of the first part, and the undersigned, as parties of the second part, have entered into an agreement as follows, to-wit:

WHEREAS the undersigned parties of the second part are desirous of obtaining water from the Friant-Kern Canal and for that purpose are desirous of constructing a distribution system described more particularly as follows:

A combination of open ditch and concrete pipeline with pumps designed to deliver approximately three gallons per minute per acre to the lands owned by the undersigned lying within one fourth mile of Park Avenue between Missouri Avenue and Avenue 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ N. The pipe is to meet ASTM Specification C 118-39 for standard concrete irrigation pipe and is to be installed according to the standards set forth in "Specifications for Installation of Concrete Irrigation Pipe" (revised 1949) recommended by the California Associated Concrete Pipe Manufacturers. The open ditch will run from the Friant-Kern Canal turnout at Adams Avenue south along the west side of Missouri Avenue to the north side of Park Avenue. The pipeline will run from the end of the open ditch easterly along the north side of Park Avenue to a point of delivery approximately 660 feet west of Avenue 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ N. The approximate quantities are: 3960 lineal feet of 16 inch inside diameter concrete pipe, 2640 lineal feet of 14 inch inside diameter concrete pipe, 3300 lineal feet of 12 inch inside diameter concrete pipe, one half mile of open ditch, necessary road crossings and five pumps with appurtenant facilities.

Changes in construction of the above described system can be made with the approval of the following committee of three which has been appointed by the majority of the undersigned: W. W. Arkley, John G. Hein, Carl Mason.

The undersigned agree to contribute or pay to the District the sum set opposite their names and which said amount shall be expended by the District in construction of the distribution system as hereinbefore described.

The District, as party of the first part, agrees to construct said distribution system providing the contributions from the second parties are sufficient to do so. When all funds received by the District have been expended it shall be relieved of further obligation to construct said distribution system.

All costs incidental and pertaining to the construction incurred by the first party shall be charged against the cost of construction of said distribution system.

All costs of operation and amintenance of said distribution system incurred by the District will be paid by the second parties in the ratio that their acreage served by the said system bears to the total acreage served by said system.

Either the first party or a majority of the second parties may cancel and terminate this contract at any time upon a thirty day written notice given to the other.

The second parties hereby expressly relieve the first party from all damages or claims which might arise for want of construction of said distribution system, or which might arise during the operation of the system.

The first party shall not be liable for any breaks occuring in the line or any damages occuring to the property of the undersigned by reason of any flooding or or overflow from said distribution system, and the first party shall not be liable for the failure to deliver water or for any injuries or damages to the crops of the undersigned by reason of failure of water, irrespective of the fault of the first party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed on the _____ day of _____ 19 .

A motion was made by Director Chase and seconded by Director Hudson that the President of the Board of Directors and the Secretary be authorized to sign for the District contracts for construction of emergency pipelines along South Avenue and along Park Avenue when all the money necessary for such construction has been deposited with the District. Motion passed.

Mr. Sorensen reported that up to the present time the Bureau has done nothing regarding Johnson Grass. The Friant Water Users Association has written to the Bureau concerning the Johnson Grass situation but has received no answer as yet.

Petitions for the formation of a Distribution district are now in circulation and preliminary reports show that the sign up is coming along very satisfactorily.

A discussion of the Convention was made by Mr. Sorensen, with special regards to the motion passed by the Association to back up Attorney General Howser's opinion with regard to future contract validations. Orange Cove voted against such proposal, however the motion carried by a vote of 45 to 6.

The Secretary read a letter from J. W. Rodner, dated December 12, 1949 requesting the Board to select a District member of the Appraisal Board to expedite the appraisal of excess lands in the District. A motion was made by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Chase that the Secretary write to excess landowners requesting them to be present at a meeting in the District office December 22 a 7:30 for a discussion and for recommendations for the appointment of an appraiser. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the Collector modify the assessment to V. J., Gladys M. & John S. Kovacevich for 1949-50 No. 43 to read 32.74 acres instead of 42.74 acres, due to the fact that 10 acres are not in the district thus reducing this assessment from \$25.62 to \$21.62. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Director Chase seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until December 27, 1949 at 7:30 P.M. Motion carried.

Mr. N. Jensen
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, December 27, 1949.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. This was continued from the adjourned regular meeting of December 13, 1949.

Officers present were Directors M. N. Jense, President, Harvey S. Chase, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann. Absent Director Fred H. Bear.

The Board interviewed Mr. Mark Lee for the position of District Appraiser. A motion was made by Director Chase and seconded by Director Hudson that Mr. Mark Lee be appointed District Appraiser to serve at the pleasure of the Board. Motion carried.

The Secretary was requested to notify Mr. Lee regarding his appointment, and also to notify the Bureau of Reclamation of the appointment.

A motion was made by Director Hudson and seconded by Director Chase that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

M. N. Jense
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary