

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, January 12, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, John Hudson, Harry Shiffler, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of December 8, 1954, the adjourned meeting of December 22, 1954, and the adjourned meeting of December 29, 1954 were read and approved.

Director Orlopp arrives.

Bills in the total amount of \$5,679.72 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Hudson. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 81  
(Re Time Deposit)

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp that the Ditchtending and Administration rate for 1955 be \$1.10 per acre foot. Motion carried.

The Secretary read a letter from the U.S.B.R. dated January 11, 1955 advising that the amendatory contract #175r-1672 was approved by the United States on January 4, 1955.

A discussion was had regarding fire valves and proposed methods of preparing maps showing location of valves for fire district use. This matter was tabled pending further information regarding costs of preparation and allocation of costs.

J. F. Sorensen read the recommendation of the Irrigation Districts Association for a State Water Agency as presented by M. J. Dowd to the Executive Committee of the I.D.A. on December 10, 1954.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion (1951). It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the hearing on the South El Monte (1951) petition be continued for all purposes until February 9, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion (1954). It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the hearing on the South El Monte petition (1954) be continued for all purposes until February 9, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on proposed Improvement District 1A area meeting.

The Secretary read a letter from Ronald B. Harris dated December 14, 1954 regarding the amendatory contract.

J. F. Sorensen reported on a letter received from the U.S.B.R., Sacramento, dated December 23, 1954 regarding consent to inclusion of South El Monte Area.

Resolution No. 82  
(Re accepting Deed from Earl Ruddy)

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Tuesday, February 1, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President  
A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, February 1, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, John Hudson, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear and Oscar Orlopp, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Resolution No. 83  
(Calling Special Election)

The Secretary read a certified statement regarding the filing of the proposed Improvement District No. 1A petition.

Resolution No. 84  
(Authorizing Survey and Feasibility  
Report for I. D. No. 1A)

The Secretary read a letter from the Irrigation Districts Association Water Economics Advisory Committee dated January 25, 1955 requesting financial support.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Hudson that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the meeting for canvass of returns of the General Election of February 2, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M., February 7, 1955.

Those present were Directors John Hudson, Harry Shiffler, Oscar Orlopp Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

This being the first Monday after the election held in the Orange Cove Irrigation District on February 2, 1955, 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.

Thereupon the Board of Directors proceeded to canvass the returns of said election, and upon completion of 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 in said election was 15.

That the names of the persons voted for were Donald Ketscher and Harry Shiffler.

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

That the office for which said Harry Shiffler was voted for was that of Director from the Second Division of said District.

That the First Division of said District constituted one precinct for said election and in said precinct 9 votes were given to said Donald Ketscher for 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 6 votes were given to said Harry Shiffler for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

Thereupon, on motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler, the following resolution and order was unanimously carried and adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District has this day, pursuant to law, duly met and canvasses the returns of the regular election held in said District on February 2, 1955; and

WHEREAS, it appears from such canvass, and this Board now finds and determines that at said election Donald Ketscher received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the First Division, Harry Shiffler received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Second Division;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved and declared that said Donald Ketscher has been duly elected to the office of Director of the First Division, and Harry Shiffler has been duly elected to the office of Director of the Second Division, all of said Orange Cove Irrigation District, thereof, for the 4 year term commencing on the second Wednesday in March, 1955.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

AYES: Shiffler, Orlopp, Hudson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Bear, Chase

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

*Harry S. Chase*  
 Vice-President

*A. J. Vortmann*  
 Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, February 9, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 12, 1955, the adjourned regular meeting of February 1, 1954 and the meeting to canvass the general election returns of February 7, 1955 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$5,508.49 were read, approved, and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear. Motion carried.

J. F. Sorensen discussed the USBR "Statement of Policy for Water Service for 1955 Water Year".

Director Hudson arrives.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on his trip to the Securities Commission hearing on the amendatory contract held in Sacramento and on his discussions with Bert Smith and Bob Durbrow in San Francisco.

A discussion was had regarding mailing a notice of the amendatory contract election to the landowners.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte Petition (1951). It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the hearing on the South El Monte Petition (1951) be continued for all purposes until February 28, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte Petition (1954). It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the hearing on the South El Monte Petition (1954) be continued for all purposes until February 28, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding Engle bills, State bills, State and Federal Water Policies and plans, and the April 5th hearing on San Joaquin River Applications by the USBR.

Leroy McCormick gave a report on the Rank vs Krug Case.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Monday February 28, 1955 at 10:00 A.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, February 28, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, John Hudson, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

This being the first Monday after the Special Election of February 25, 1955, the Board proceeded to canvass the returns of the election.

Resolution No. 85  
(Canvassing Special Election Returns of Feb. 25, 1955)

Resolution No. 86  
(In Re Execution of Amendatory Contract with USA)

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present, and also Mr. Kronick and Mr. Ingles of the United States Bureau of Reclamation.

The amendatory contract was signed.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte Petition (1954)

Resolution No. 87  
(South El Monte Inclusion)

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte Petition (1951). It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the South El Monte Petition for Inclusion (1951) be dismissed. Passed and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Hudson, Shiffler, Bear, Orlopp, Chase  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Orlopp that the district order 28,500 acre feet of water for 1955 delivery from the USBR and to pay one-half the purchase price (\$49,875.00) as per the contract. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the Treasurer be authorized to deposit in a Time Deposit Open Account a sum not to exceed \$50,000.00 Passed and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Hudson, Shiffler, Bear, Orlopp, Chase  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

*Harvey S. Chase*  
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President

*A. J. Vortmann*  
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Secretary

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, March 9, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, D. W. Ketscher, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

All newly elected officers took office as of 10:00 A.M., March 9, 1955.

Nominations were opened for President of the Board. Director Bear nominated Harvey S. Chase seconded by Director Shiffler. It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear that the nominations be closed. Motion carried. Director Chase was unanimously elected to the office of President of the Board.

Nominations were opened for the office of Vice President of the Board. Director Shiffler nominated Oscar Orlopp. It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Ketscher that the nominations be closed. Motion carried. Director Orlopp was unanimously elected to the office of Vice President of the Board.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Ketscher that A. J. Vortmann be appointed Secretary. Motion carried.

Minutes of the regular meeting of February 9 and the adjourned regular meeting of February 28, 1955 were read and approved.

Director Orlopp arrives.

Bills in the total amount of \$4,926.39 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion carried.

The Secretary read the following feasibility report on Proposed Improvement District No. 1A submitted by J. F. Sorensen.

Resolution No. 88  
(Setting date for Hearing on Formation  
of I. D. 1A)

A discussion was had regarding Dambrosio damage claim.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear to pay Sergio Dambrosio \$175.00 for damages caused by flooding of his tomatoes. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the District call for bids for gasoline requirements and for insurance. Bids to be opened at 11:00 A.M. April 13, 1955. Motion carried.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on the Friant-Water Users meeting held March 4, 1955 at Tulare.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp to pay \$75.00 to the Irrigation Districts Association for the Water Economics Committee program. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding policy for Turnout 14 Area. It was planned to have a meeting with landowners of the area in approximately two months, at which time it should be pointed out past Bureau policies regarding over-the-bank installations. Since the Bureau, at its option, may refuse to license use of over-the-bank installations after this year, plans should be made now for a system.

Resolution No. 89

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on T.O. area 5A meeting.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, March 23, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, April 13, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. Officers present Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of March 9, 1955, were read and approved.

Director Orlopp arrives.

Bills in the total amount of \$7,814.30 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 90

Re: Time Deposit.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp, that Harvey S. Chase and J. F. Sorensen be authorized to buy or to sell water and to sign any necessary papers on behalf of the District. Motion carried.

Insurance bids were to be opened at 11:00 AM. It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear that time for acceptance of insurance bids be closed. Motion carried.

Bids were opened and proposals were received from the following: Frank Frane, Glenn B. Thompson, and Bloyd & Bloyd.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Ketscher, that insurance bids be taken under advisement. Motion carried.

Gasoline bids were to be opened at 11:00 AM. It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that time for acceptance of gasoline bids be closed. Motion carried.

Gasoline bids were opened and read as follows:

|            | <u>Quoted Price</u> |
|------------|---------------------|
| Texas      | .1994               |
| Richfield  | .218                |
| Standard   | .212                |
| Associated | .217                |
| * Shell    | .1986               |
| Harness    | .201                |

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Ketscher that the Shell Oil Co. bid and authorize J. F. Sorensen to sign the contract covering the period April 14, 1955 to April 13, 1956, at a maximum price of \$.1986 per gallon. Motion carried.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on the San Joaquin River Hearing being held in Fresno.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Heroy McCormick present.

Bids for the Construction of proposed Improvement District No. 1A pipeline were to be opened at 1:30 P.M. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that time for acceptance of Pipe Construction bids be closed. Motion carried.

Bids were opened and proposal were received from the following:

|                                       |          |                   |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| M. M. Batchelor Pipeline Construction | 19372.65 | Schedule I only   |
| Jourdan Concrete Pipe Co.             | 32775.65 | Total Job.        |
| VanCleve & Visalia                    | 40138.00 | Total Job         |
| Fresno Concrete Pipe Co.              | 17472.83 | Schedule III only |

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Ketscher that Pipe bids for Construction of proposed Improvement District No. 1A.

Resolution No. 91

(Final Order Creating Improvement District No. 1A and levying an Assessment therein)

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear.  
Ayes: Ketscher, Shiffler, Bear, Orlopp, Chase.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Ketscher to award all coverage for Insurance to Frank Frane as per bid of 4/13/55, if the policy conditions are equal to or better than former policies. In event this is not the case than the award is to be made to Bloyd & Bloyd subject to the same conditions.  
Motion carried.

Resolution No. 92

Re: Requesting Securities Commission Approval of Improvement District No. 1A Warrants.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Ketscher.  
Ayes: Ketscher, shiffler, Bear, Orlopp, Chase.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler, that the Secretary notify landowners in Improvement District No. 1A of the assessment levied and said assessment may be paid in cash prior to May 6, 1955 at 5:00 P.M. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear that a call for Bids for the sale of warrants for Improvement District 1A be set for May 13, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 93

Re: Water Right Applications Before the Division of Water Resources of the Department of Public Works of the State of California.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler to pay Maddox and Abercombe bill of April 11, 1955, in the amount of \$112.71 to cover our share of Rank vs Krug Case. Motion carried.

The follow Resolution was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear: and unanimously adopted.

Whereas, John Hudson, our good friend, neighbor and fellow citizen has for the past six years, been associated with District, during which time he has given of his time and talents for the good of the District without regard for his own private interets or convenience,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that since the time has come when his tenure of office has terminated, we, the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District do hereby express to friend John, our deep appreciation of his association, wise counseling and leadership extended to the district and ourselves during these past six years, and that it is with sincere regret that we now say goodbye to him as a fellow director, although we know that he will always be with us in thought and spirit even if his personal presence is not with us.

J. F. Sorensen reported the difficulties arising from Tulare County reworking of roads in the Orsi area. Road Crossings have been leading due to the road work. It was suggested that this matter be taken up with Mr. Crawford.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Ketscher that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, April 27, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey D. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary



Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District May 11, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous meeting of April 13, 1955 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$18,028.68 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp, motion carried.

A discussion was had with Mr. Burton E. Stitt of the California Physicians Service Hospitalization Plan, a plan sponsored by the ~~XXXXXX~~ I. D. A.

The meeting recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

Bert Smith of I. D. A. was present and discussed State Water problems with the Board.

Bids for Improvement District 1A Warrants were to be opened at 2:00 P.M. It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher that time for acceptance of #1A Warrants bids be closed. Motion Carried.

One bid was received which read as follows: M. N. Jensen 4 3/4% at par.

Resolution No. 94

Re: Authorizing Issuance of Improvement District No. 1A Warrants.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Bear, That Jordan Concrete Pipe Co. be awarded the bid for the construction of Improvement District No. 1A pipeling and that contracts be prepared and Harvey S. Chase be authorized to sign on behalf of the District. Motion Carried.

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It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Ketscher that J. F. Sorensen be ~~authorized to work with~~ Peerless Pump Co. to work over Improvement District 7 and Improvement District 9 turn out pumps for use on Improvement District 1A. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, Seconded by Director Orlopp, that the District approves the Santa Fe License for the pipeline crossing of the RR r/w on behalf of Improvement District 1A and authorized Harvey S. Chase, president to sign. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Orlopp, that the license for a road right of way for Improvement District 1A on the Santa Fe RR r/w be approved, conditioned upon deletion of annual charge. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding road crossing damage by Tulare County.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp, that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, May 25, 1955 at 2 P.M. Motion Carried.

*Harvey S. Chase*  
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President

*A. J. Vortmann*  
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Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, June 8, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M., officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of May 11, 1955 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$60,841.26 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion Carried.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on his trip to Sacramento to the Securities Commission and the approval of the issue of warrants for Improvement District No. 1A.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on the status of the water and possibilities of obtaining additional supplies.

Harvey S. Chase gave a report on the Friant Water Users Association Meeting and that Calvin was elected president and John Peters was elected vice president.

J. F. Sorensen reported that there was no reaction by the employees to the Group Medical Insurance Plan, however the I. D. A. has set the formation date back to August 1, 1955 instead of July 1st.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick present.

Director Orlopp gave a report on a meeting with the Federal Land Bank at Berkley.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler, that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday June 22, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, July 13, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M., officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of June 8, 1955 were read and approved. Bills in the total amount of \$34,783.89 per attached list were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler. Motion carried.

A. discussion was had on the preliminary budget for 1955-56.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher, that the Board of Directors approve a contribution of \$2.67 per month for Health Insurance Plan for each employee and each Director enrolled in plan contingent upon sufficient total enrollment as required by the Insurance carrier and that the monthly fee for each Director be from \$10.00 per meeting to \$12.67.

Upon a roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes: None  
 Noes: Orlopp, Bear, Shiffler, Ketscher, Chase  
 Absent: None.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp that the Board of Directors approve contribution of \$2.67 per month for each employee and each Director enrolled in plan contingent upon sufficient enrollment in plan as required by Insurance Carrier thru I. D. A. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp to issue a call for bids for one 1/2 ton Standard Pick-up truck. Bids to be opened August 10, 1955 at 11:00 A.M. Motion carried.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

J. F. Sorensen discussed the water supply and demand for the 1955 season.

A discussion was had on legislation. Leroy Mc Cormick stressed the importance of Irrigation Districts getting together through the Friant Water Users and outlining policy for handling interest free money.

It was moved by Director Bear, Seconded by Director Shiffler to pay Friant Water Users Association dues in the amount of \$96.80. Motion carried.

Resolution 95  
 Regarding Time Deposit.

Moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday July 27, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
 President

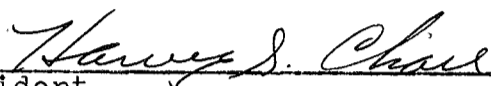
A. J. Vortmann  
 Secretary

Minutes of the Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, July 27, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

A general discussion was had regarding the preliminary budget. Also discussed was the advisability of changing General Assessment rate so as to cover indirect benefits.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Ketscher that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

  
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President

  
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Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District August 10, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Mannager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of July 13, 1955 and the adjourned regular meeting of July 27, 1955 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$33,057.57 were read approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Bear. Motion carried.

Loren McFarlin was present and a discussion was had with regard to District policy in ordering water.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the time for acceptance of pick-up truck bids be closed. Motion carried.

Bids for a standard 1/2 ton pick-up truck were opened and read as follows:

|             |       |            |
|-------------|-------|------------|
| W. Cockran  | Dodge | \$1,273.76 |
| Biswell     | Ford  | 1,000.00   |
| Valley Ford | Ford  | 992.00     |
| Smith       | Ford  | 1,171.63   |
| Marten      | Chev. | 1,039.24   |
| Enns        | GMC   | 1,080.78   |
| Hughs       | Ford  | 1,000.00   |
| Allied      | Int.  | 1,178.40   |
| Alta        | Chev. | 1,098.22   |

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Ketscher, that Tren Biswell be awarded bid for 1/2 ton pick-up truck due to fact that he bid designated the earliest delivery date. Motion carried.

Clarence E. Akers filed a claim for damages. The Claim was read.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Orlopp that a copy of the claim be sent to the Contractor (Jourdan Concrete Pipe Company) and one copy to the Districts Insurance Carrier. Motion carried.

The meeting was recessed until 2:00 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 2:00 P.M. with Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick present.

Resolution 96  
(Redeposit of \$50,000 Time Deposit)

A discussion was had on Improvement Districts 3B/4B and 11B Budgets.

A discussion was had on Wahtoke Creek waste gate. No action taken.

A discussion was had regarding payment for gasket investigations with regard to Improvement District Number 1A installation. No action taken.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp, that H. A. Collin bill in the amount of \$443.00 be paid. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp, that the meeting be adjourned until Wed. August 24, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion Carried.

*Harvey S. Chase*  
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President

*A. J. Vortmann*  
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Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, August 24, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

The Board then proceeded to act as a Board of Equalization to equalize assessments.

Resolution No. 97  
(Equalization of Assessments)

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, September 14, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were: Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Fred Bear, Engineer -Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of August 10, 1955 and the adjourned regular meeting of August 24, 1955 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$22,964.53 (per attached list) were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, Seconded by Director Bear, Motion carried.

J. C. Heath requested a partial redemption of tax sale #14 (1953-54) and tax sale #14 (1954-55) to cover the  $S\frac{1}{2}$  of lot 2, Citrus Cove Ranch.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Ketscher that J. C. Heath be allowed to redeem the  $S\frac{1}{2}$  of Lot 2 Citrus Cove Ranch, partial redemption of Tax Sales #14, 1953-54 and #14 (1954-55). Motion carried.

A discussion was had on the 1955 Water Schedule

Resolution #98

1955-56 Budget.

The meeting was recessed until 2:00 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 2:00 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

Resolution #99

1955-56 Improvement District Budgets  
(Moved by Orlopp, Second by Bear  
Ayes all)

Resolution #100

Levy of Annual Assessment 1955-56

The Secretary reported that Akers, Clarence filed a verified claim on August 21, 1955 to replace acknowledged claim filed August 6, 1955.

A letter dated September 13, 1955 from United Pacific Insurance Co. regarding the Akers claim was read and then filed.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp that Clarence E. Akers and Virginia B. Akers acknowledged claim of August 6, 1955 and verified claim of August 21, 1955 be denied.

This motion was adopted by the following vote:

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| AYERS:      | Shiffler, Bear, Orlopp, Chase |
| NOES:       | None                          |
| ABSENT:     | None                          |
| NOT VOTING: | Ketscher                      |

The Secretary was instructed to notify the Akers by mail of the action taken.

J. F. Sorensen reported that on September 3, 1955, Don Kurihara's Reservoir overflowed causing break due to error in operation by District Employee.

J. F. Sorensen discussed the State Water Development Policies.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday September 28, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 12, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of Septemeber 14, 1955 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$8,480.09 (per attached sheet) were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler. Motion carried.

Resolution #101

Time Deposit \$25,502.50

A discussion was had regarding the 1955 water supply. It was agreed that the District sell up to 500 acre feet if it is possible to find a buyer.

Director Orlopp arrives.

The Secretary reported that S. Huyama filed a verified claim for damages on September 15, 1955 which was then read to the Board.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear that a copy of Hiyama's claim be filed with our insurance carrier. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding Improvement District 3B/4B facilities.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Shiffler that the following be authorized; construction of pipeline including two ditch crossings over creek in 3B/4B area for Improvment District #3B/4B. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding Improvement District # 11B ditch facilities.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear to authorize the construction of a pipeline in 11B Ditch, not to exceed 1320 feet on East side of G. J. Tarbell property and not more than 300 feet Westerly from Avenue 18 1/4 North. Motion carried.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

J. F. Sorensen reported on legislation relative to Interest Free Money.

Harvey Chase reported on the recent Friant Water Users Meeting at Visalia.

J. F. Sorensen presented a map showing the use in underground water levels from February, 1951 to February, 1955.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, October 26, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, November 9, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of October 12, 1955 were read and approved.

Bill in the total amount of \$6,458.90 (per attached list) were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler, motion carried.

Crossland, Crossland and Richardson filed a venfied claim for damages on behalf of Clarence E. & Virginia B. Akers on October 21, 1955. The claim was read.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear that Clarence E. Akers and Virginia B. Akers claim for damages filed October 21, 1955 be denied. Motion carried.

A letter from Kings County Water District dated November 1, 1955 was read and then filed.

Harvey S. Chase gave a report on the Irrigation Districts Association executive meeting held October 13, 1955 in Fresno.

A discussion was had regarding Sam J. Heath property regarding sale of excess land under a recorded contract.

A discussion was had regarding the 1955 water status. It was agreed to save at least 200 acre feet of water for use after November 15th.

A. discussion was had regarding Class III water.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on the N. R. A. convention held in Lincoln, Nebraska.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

Congressman Sisk was present and a general discussion was had regarding Federal Legislation and Water Policies.

It was moved by Director Bear, Seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday November 23, 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, December 14, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of November 9, 1955 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$5,919.29 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler that the treasurer be authorized to pay all interest and principal on Improvement District warrants presented for payment January 1, 1956. All warrants and interest due, which would be delinquent due to insufficient funds, are to be purchased by the District out of General Funds and to be held until funds are available. These warrants held by the District are not to be registered. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that Henry Y. Umino's assessment was based on an excessive acreage, which should have been 79 acres (SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  less 1 acre for cemetery and the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW  $\frac{1}{4}$ , in Section 15-16-25). Therefore his assessment for prior assessments is to be reduced by 1 acre and his assessment for 1955-56 is also to be reduced 1 acre. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding sale of excess land by Sam Heath.

The Secretary read a letter dated December 12, 1955 from Leroy McCormick regarding expenses incurred in attending meetings at Nebraska and San Diego.

It was moved by Director Bear that Leroy McCormick's expenses for attending meetings in the amount of \$60.88 be paid. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding the status of the 1955 water. There was still on hand 198 acre feet.

Reports were given on the I. D. A. Convention at San Diego.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy McCormick present.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear that fund be refunded to subscribers of Subscription Agreement for I. D. #10 and I. D. #12 as per the agreements dated January 1, 1951. Motion carried.

J. F. Sorensen gave a report on the recent Friant Water Users Meeting.

A discussion was had regarding securing the services of Ralph Brode for the position of Manager-Attorney for the Friant Water Users Association. It was suggested that the advisability and the possibility of having the Counties of Fresno, Tulare and Kern participate in this matter.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear that A. J. Vortmann's salary be increased by \$50.00 effective December 1, 1955, to be charged as follows: \$25.00 to Secretary salary and \$25.00 to Janitor. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Wed. December 28m 1955 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase  
President

A. J. Vortmann  
Secretary