Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Monday, January 18, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President D.W. Ketscher, Vice President Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin James . Orlopp Dale L. R. Lucas

Secretary

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 9, 1981 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$54,026.17 were read, approved, and ordered paid at the motion of Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Beach and carried. One bill from Mr. James Sorensen was questioned and that bill was excluded from payment until the Board could ascertain the correctness of the billing.

The Secretary presented the Statement of Finances, the Cash Plan Report, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water Report was rendered and discussed.

Mr. Huerta from Improvement District #12 appeared before the Board requesting that the Board approve replacement of the water line lateral to his father's property. The Board agreed to make appropriate repairs as needed.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

Director Orlopp requested the Board to review options regarding payment of assessments for Maintenance. Specifically, he brought the bill of a Mr. Workman from Improvement District #12. Mr. Workman requesting an extension of the deadline for payment due to the larger than normal assessment. The Board was prevented from taking favorable action in this matter since other constituents from the same Improvement District were not afforded the same opportunity.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- 1) A call for funds from the Farm Water Alliance in the amount of \$1,400.00 was read to the Board. A motion to grant the funds in the requested amount was made by Director Ketscher and seconded by Director Orlopp. The motion carried.
- 2) A call for funds from the Western Water Education Foundation in the amount of \$105.00 was presented to the Board. A motion by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Beach, was made to grant the amount requested. The motion carried.
- 3) As discussed in the December Regular Meeting, the tabled decision for support, nonsupport, or neuturality of this Board was discussed. A motion to support the Peripheral Canal referedum was made by Director Ketscher. Second was made by Director McFarlin and the motion carried unamimously.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

- 1) The status of the Friant and Granite Power Projects.
- 2) The Water Management and Conservation Program status was briefed. In the numerous changes to the program initially offered and the increased requirements placed upon the District from the USBR, it was decided that it was no longer feasible to implement the program here. The Manager was directed to so inform the USBR.
- 3) The Manager briefed on the 15th Regional Water User's Conference held in Sacramento on January 13-15, 1982.

The Engineer briefed the status of Maintenance, by Improvement District, and reported the maintenance budget status.

Mr. Horne requested that the Board reconsider the decision to abolish the position of Engineer. The Board considered the arguements from Mr. Horne, but reaffirmed the reduction in force. Date of lay-off was decided as the end of January 1982.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 12:05 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, February 10, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at $1:30\ P.M.$ with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President Stanley C. Beach

Stanley C. Beach James O. Orlopp Dale L.R. Lucas

Secretary

Absent:

D.W. Ketscher, Vice President Richard McFarlin

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 18, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$43,741.54 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Beach, seconded by Director Orlopp and carried.

The Secretary presented the Statement of Finances, the Cash Plan Report, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water Report was rendered and discussed.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

(1) The Secretary requested consideration be given to changing the Regular Meeting schedule of the Board of Directors from 9:30 A.M. on the second Wednesday of the month to 1:30 P.M. on the same day. Reasons given were the Administrative time factor and logistics in setting up the early meeting, difficulty in assembly of the Board during the irrigation season at the early hour, and the scheduling of other meetings which directly affect the District and conflict with the meeting schedule. Director Beach offered Resolution 1-82 and moved adoption to effect the change in time. The motion was seconded by Director Orlopp and carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Chase, Beach, Orlopp

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Directors Ketscher, McFarlin

- (2) The Fresno County Right-of-Way agreement for Cove Avenue was presented to the Board for review. Director Orlopp moved that the Board ratify the agreement. Second of the motion was made by Director Beach and the motion carried.
- (3) The Board was informed that parties in the Romero case have been served summons and the case is proceeding in the normal manner.
- (4) The Secretary presented correspondence from Mr. William McColloch requesting information regarding the maintenance performed in Improvement District 12 during 1981. The Board directed that the requested information be provided as requested. It should be noted that this procedure is not required, however, the Board maintains a full disclosure policy when possible.
- (5) The Board was briefed on the upcoming LAFCO hearings regarding the annexation/detachment of land into/from the District. The hearings are scheduled for March 3, 1982 and no opposition is expected.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) The status of the Friant Power Project was briefed.
- (2) The status of the Granite Power Project was briefed. The change in Southern California Edison's (SCE) position in negotiations was outlined with the conclusion that we have signed agreements which would preclude any changes at this date. Also, discussed

was the problems the Authority has encountered in dealing with Environmental Analysts, Inc. (E/A) in completing the E/R for the project and measures taken to force compliance with the MOU.

- (3) A letter of commendation from Mr. C.C. Poley was presented to the Board expressing gratitude for District Operations and Policies which have upgraded services to the constituants.
- (4) The position adopted by the FWUA as regards the Peripheral Canal issue was briefed.

The Manager's Engineer Report consisted of a briefing on District Maintenance and the Budget Report for each Improvement District. Also, discussed was the over-order of PVC pipe made by the departed engineer and steps taken to correct the problem.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 3.50 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, March 10, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President D. W. Ketscher, Vice President Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin

James O. Orlopp

Secretary

Dale L. R. Lucas

Absent:

None

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$111,459.22 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director McFarlin, seconded by Director Orlopp and carried.

The Secretary presented the Statement of Finances, the Cash Plan Report, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water Report was rendered and discussed.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) The Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) approval of OCID annexation and detachment has been accomplished by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors. We are awaiting formal notification to implement the required actions.
- (2) The precedings against Romero et al, have progressed to the status that defendants are now offering to settle out of court in the amount of \$2,200.00. (The original billing was for approximately \$2,400.00). The Board agreed to dispose of the case by acceptance of the offer to settle and thereby avoid additional legal fees.
- (3) In that the County (Fresno) did not comply with the agreement as previously stated in the matter of the Cove Avenue joint easement (right-of-way), the Board withdrew ratification until such time as the county representatives could come to terms with this District.
- (4) The Agreements between OCID and Hills Valley Irrigation District (HVID) and OCID and Tri-Valley Water District (TVWD) were reviewed, updated and sent to the appropriate agencies for confirmation by motion of Director Beach, seconded by Director McFarlin and carried.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) The status of the Friant and Granite Creek Power Projects were discussed.
- (2) The Manager reported that reservations for all Directors has been accomplished for the ACWA Conference in May of 1982. All Directors were encouraged to exert all possible efforts to attend.
- (3) The upgrading of the physical plant of the District was briefed by the Manager. Those areas specifically addressed were the office, headquarters grounds, and operations.

The Manager's Engineer Report consisted of a briefing on District Maintenance and Budget Report for each Improvement District and steps taken to insure austerity is observed in each area.

A discussion regarding the salary for the Field Superintendent resulted in tabling the matter until further evaluation and trends in operation and maintenance could be accomplished.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, April 14, 1982:

The meeting was called to order (Vice-President Ketscher presiding) at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

D.W. Ketscher, Vice-President Stanley. C. Beach Richard McFarlin

James O. Orlopp

Secretary

Dale L.R. Lucas

Absent

Harvey S. Chase, President

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$41,451.90 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director McFarlin, seconded by Director Orlopp and carried.

The Secretary presented the Statement of Finances, the Cash Plan Report, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water Report was rendered and discussed.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed. The Manager reported that all previously reported leaks in the District had been repaired and all pumps and motors in the District have been serviced and repaired for the upcoming water season.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) The previously announced LAFCO approval of OCID annexation and detachment was sent back to the Board of Supervisors, Fresno County, due to erroneous ommission of the clause which would allow the District to collect for previous years assessments. Action on this matter will be accomplished the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.
- (2) Mr. Robert E. Perez has filed a petition to the Tulare County Superior Court to have his case heard regarding the judgement against him by the District. The case is to be heard on June 11, 1982, however, a pre-trial settlement meeting is scheduled for May 28, 1982. Our Counsel feels that once this this meeting takes place, there are indications the court appearence will not be necessary. Should the matter not be settled there are considerations toward filing against Mr. Perez for " malicious prosecution " against this organization.
- (3) Mr. Robert F. Perez, esq., son of Robert E. Perez, has sent a letter to this District threatening a lawsuit for damage caused to his property by leaks in our system. A check of Tulare County records has revealed that Robert F. Perez does not own property anywhere in Tulare County. The property he alledges that damage has been done to, a house owned by his Grandmother, is not recorded, nor have permits to build ever been filed, nor have taxes been paid to the county for any improvements on the property. Our Attorneys feel that this, also, is a "nuisance" suit and are recommending a "wait! and see " posture until Mr. Perez does file a suit. At that time action should be taken to stop these actions.

- (4) It was reported that we now have received payment in full from Mr. Romero, et al., and that case has been closed with their settlement checks.
- (5) The Board was briefed about FWUA's opposition to the Proposed Water Resources Conservation and Efficency Act. This proposition, which could be extremely damaging to the entire San Joaquin Valley if enacted, will probably qualify for the November 1982 ballot.
- (6) The JPIA(ACWA) Building Aquisition was discussed. The Board of Directors directed the Manager to prepare a proposed resolution strongly opposing the JPIA proposal and present it at the next Regular Meeting.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) ACWA Conference preparations were briefed. It was reported that reservations have been accomplished for all Directors and any changes could be deferred until the week prior to the convention.
- (2) The status of legislation regarding the Federal Reclamation Laws was reported.
- (3) A copy of the correspondence sent to J.F. Sorensen regarding his billing to the District was read to the Board. The letter was promulgated by late receipt of his billing and questionable charges. Payment has been deferred until he responds to our letter.

The Manager reported the Status of District Maintenance and Budget report for each Improvement District. The Directors requested that the Manager provide a monthly report indicating significant expenditures in the individual Improvement Districts.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

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Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, May 20, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors and Officers present

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President D.W. Ketscher, Vice-President Stanley C. Beach Richard D. McFarlin James O. Orlopp Dale L. R. Lucas

Secretary

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None

Absent: No

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 14, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$49,016.71 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director McFarlin, seconded by Director Beach and carried.

The Secretary presented the Statement of Finances, the Cash Plan Report, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water Report was rendered and discussed. The Manager informed the Board that the District is receiving water without charge from the USBR due to the "flood water" being available.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) LAFCO has now corrected the language of the OCID attachment/detachment to allow the District to collect previous years assessments.
- (2) The status of collection efforts with respect to delinquent assessments was briefed. Those land-owners who have elected to ignore our registered letter of April 16, 1982 will now be sent a second letter informing them of legal due process steps that will be initiated by the District.
- (3) The proposed Water Resources Conservation and Efficiency Act, which appears to be a certain proposition in the coming November election, was discussed by the Board. The Board opposes this damaging initiative in that it would have far reaching detrimental effects upon the farmers of the entire agriculture community. Also discussed was the attempt by the Governor's office to have a leading author of the initiative (Mr. Downing) appointed to the California Water Resources Control Board. A letter opposing the appointment addressed to the committee member of the Senate Rules Committee was provided to the Board.
- (4) Resolution 3-82 was offered and moved by Director Beach, seconded by Director Ketscher and unanimously approved to oppose the ACWA/JPIA budget increase and building proposal. (See Resolution 3-82)
- (5) The FWUA Budget and Dues reccommendations were presented to the Board. These will be acted upon at the next regular meeting of the FWUA on May 27, 1982.
- (6) A solicitation from State Savings and Loan Association for the District's time deposits was read to the Board. Due to the speculative nature of that association's market the Board elected to decline the bid.

(7) The Annual Auditor's Report was presented to the Board for review.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) Final determination of those Directors who will attend the ACWA Convention on May 18 through 21, 1982 was made. Due to absence of the Director and Alternate for the JPIA meeting and the critical issues at stake, the Manager was appointed to represent the District by proxy at the meeting of May 18, 1982.
- (2) The Status of the power projects was discussed.
- (3) A response to the Board's inquiry for clarification of billing from Sorensen et al was read to the Board of Directors. Due to the removal of the aerial Photography aspect and clarification of other points the Board elected to pay the remaining portion of the bill.

The Manager presented the Improvement District Maintenance Report and Budget Report.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, June 9, 1982:

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Ketscher at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

D.W. Ketscher, Vice-President Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin

James O. Orlopp

Secretary

Dale L. R. Lucas

Absent:

Harvey S. Chase, President*

*President Chase arrived at 1:35 P.M.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 20, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$50,980.41 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Beach, seconded by Director Orlopp and carried.

The Secretary presented the Cash Plan Report, the Statement of Finances, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water was discussed. Due to the flood water received without charge to the Orange Cove Irrigation District account and the unseasonably wet year, Director Ketscher moved that an initial increment of 2,500 acre feet of water be sold to Tulare Irrigation District Director Beach made the second and the motion carried.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Board of Directors made an inspection tour of the facilities within the OCID compound.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) The status of collection efforts with respect to delinquent accounts was briefed to the Board of Directors. has been favorable in a large majority of cases with only 19 of the original 53 delinquent accounts now active.
- (2) The Board was apprised of Robert Perez dropping his appeal in the water theft case. He has signed a release in which he admits his guilt in the matter.
- (3) A summary of the activities surrounding the JPIA-ACWA convention was reported.

The Managers Report consisted of the following reports and actions:

- (1) The Status of the Upper San Joaquin River Water and Power Authority (USJRW&PA) and the Friant Power Authorty (FPA) were briefed and discussed
- (2) The semi-annual employee salary adjustments were reccommended, reviewed, revised, and adopted at the motion of Director Beach, seconded by Director McFarlin and carried.

The Board of Directors went into Executive Session at 2:55 P.M. and reconvened at 3:04 P.M. to discuss the Manager's salary and make appropriate adjustments.

The Manager presented the Improvement. District Maintenance and Budget Key elements of the ensuing discussion were:

> (1) The damage of OCID property and pipelines by the Fresno County work crews on the Cove Avenue Project. Upon completion of county work in that area a detailed survey

will be made and appropriate steps for restitution will be accomplished.

- (2) In response to query from landowner representatives in ID #8 as regards the Orange Cove Irrigation District taking over the pipelines in the new annexation, the Manager briefed the Board that it would be unfeasible to do so until the landowners installed adequate pumping facilities to ensure adequate deliveries. The Board so directed the Manager to inform the affected landowners.
- (3) In response to a letter from the Manager to the San Francisco office of P.G.&E., an on site survey of the Districts power lines and facilities is to be accomplished by P.G.&E. representatives. It is anticipated that much of the problem of power interruptions can be alleviated by our up-grading that company's equipment.
- (4) The Board was informed that the contractor (Mangine) was recalled to make corrections on deficiencies in the pipeline they installed in ID #10.
- (5) Vice-pesident Ketscher reported on a possible problem at the corner of Jensen and Alta caused by water overflows directly on the motor (ID #1B). The motor will will be covered as will all similar District motors.

Vice-President Ketscher departed at 3:30 P.M.

(6) The Status of Improvements Districts budgets were briefed.

The Manager brought to the Board's attention that there are areas of the OCID office building in which structural damage is becoming evident. These problems are not the normal "fair wear and tear" type and, as such, should be reported to the building contractor for rectifying. The Manager was directed to contact the builder and make him aware of the discrepancies.

There being no further business, the Board meeting adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, July 14, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President D.W. Ketscher, Vice President

Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin James O. Orlopp Dale L. R. Lucas Douglas B. Jensen

Secretary Attorney

Absent:

None

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 9, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$134,882.78 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Beach

The Secretary presented the Cash Plan Report, the Statement of Finances, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water was discussed. In that the District use continues to fall short of the projected scheduled use of water, Director Beach moved that the District sell 3,500 acre feet of water to Tulare Irrigation District. Director McFarlin made the second and the motion carried.

Director Ketscher addressed the problems experienced by both landowners and the District involving the abandoned railroad bed which disects the northern half of the District. The railroad has sold some portions of the railway property to the farmers, however, the land is outside the District. The Manager was directed to establish contact with the USBR to ascertain if the subject land could be brought into the O.C.I.D. This would eliminate the requirements to police the farm community for compliance with existing excess land regulations.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- The status of collection efforts on delinquent accounts was discussed. Attorney Jensen commented that the District is now at a point that a legal document should be prepared by his organization and served on those few remaining landowners who have resisted payment. He was directed to do so.
- In order to circumvent possible legal entanglements, Fresno (2) County LAFCO forwarded finalized Annexation/Detachment proceedings to the Tulare County Board of Supervisors. Tulare County subsequently endorsed the proceedings as presented so the annexation/detachment is now complete.
- The sale of the excess trailer was discussed. agreed that the value of the property was low enough that advertizement for bids would consume the sale price. Since an offer of \$350.00 has been made by an independent landowner and, if no other offers are forth coming, the sale should be made.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

The status of the U.S. Reclamation Bill was discussed. telegram was dispatched to Senator Cranston requesting he resist any efforts to ammend the bill beyond those ammendments already offered by Senators McClure and Jackson.

- The correspondence between O.C.I.D. and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 1245 was presented. The Union failed to comply with conditions prescribed in the MOU for renewal/extension of the agreement. Based upon formal notification by the District to the IBEW that the OCID does not intend to operate outside the scope of this agreement and pending termination of the MOU, the Union will no longer represent employees of this organization after December 31, 1982. The attorney briefed the Board as to the strong position enjoyed by this District regarding this matter. The Board decided to await any response from the Union to decide a course of action.
- (3) A report of theft of a portable pump was made. The pump, a Honda brand with a value of \$315.00 (serial number #2031745), was stolen by unknown person(s) on July 7, 1982 in the vicinity of Avenue 420 and Road 140 at or about the noon hour. The unit was in operation at the time on a "blowout." The Tulare County Sheriff was notified and appropriate reports rendered.
- (4) The USBR use of "bluestone" in the canal was discussed. This impacts upon some farmers in the area who are raising fish in their holding ponds. Appropriate and timely reports of usage are being made to affected landowners.

The Manager presented the Improvement District Maintenance and Budget Report. Major elements of the discussions involved were:

- (1) The continued horizontal construction conducted by Fresno County along Cove Avenue. Attorney Jensen suggested that the Manager once more remind the County that they are operating without an agreement by this office. Further, that damage to the Districts delivery systems must stop immediately.
- (2) Director Ketscher noted that a landowner (Nersesian) was in the process of digging a ditch over or near the District's pipe line. The Manager stated he would investigate and take appropriate action.
- (3) A claim from the Pacific Telephone Company for damages to their lines by a work crew of this organization was presented to the Board. Charges of \$2,600.00 for minor repairs were found to be excessive. A motion to deny the claim was made by Director Ketscher and seconded by Director McFarlin. The motion carried unanimously.
- (4) PG & E Power interruptions were discussed. It was decided that continued pressure should be exerted upon that company to resolve the problem.
- (5) The Manager reported on the progress to cover motors where water splashes could cause damage to the system.
- (6) The individual Improvement District Budgets were reported.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, August 11, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President Stanley C. Beach

Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin James O. Orlopp

Secretary

Dale L.R. Lucas

Absent:

D.W. Ketscher, Vice President(arrived

at 1:58 P.M.)

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 14, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$\frac{134,882.78}{2.78}\$ were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Beach, seconded by Director McFarlin and carried. The Board requested that the attorney fees be more detailed in billing.

The recurring problem of power outages was discussed. On an almost daily basis the northern half of the District experiences power loss from PG & E during the evening and night hours. This causes call-outs of the District and Farmers Watertenders to re-establish water to the landowners. When the pumps lose their prime due to these interruptions of power it takes approximately one and one-half hours to re-establish the water. In addition, the District is required to pay a call-out fee in the amount of \$15.00 to a Watertender called out during non-duty hours. Previously, the District has complained of this and other problems to PG & E and have been informed that "they would study the problem." In that no tangible evidence exists that any corrective action is being taken, the Manager has been directed to establish contact with CPUC.

The Secretary presented the Cash Plan Report, The Statement of Finances, and the Expense Budget Report.

Director Ketscher arrived at 1:58 P.M.

The status of water was discussed. After a discussion of water usage in this wet year it was moved by Director Ketscher that we sell 2,000 acre feet of water to Tulare Irrigation District. Director Beach seconded the motion which carried.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) A claim for reimbursement from Perma-Rain in the amout of \$1,234.23 was presented to the Board. The claim was based upon the work done by Perm-Rain to install District pipeline in Improvement District #8. In that the company had made a competing bid for the work and all but \$180.00 of the claim was based upon factors which should have been known to the bidding agency (i.e., hardware, etc.) the claim was rejected except for the \$180.00 aforementioned. Motion was made by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Beach, and carried.
- (2) A claim for reimbursement from Tulare Ranch Investors in the amount \$755.00 was presented to the Board. In that the amount claimed was for a seedling plum tree in which \$600.00 was claimed for crop loss, the Board rejected the claim as excessive. Motion was made by Director McFarlin, seconded by Director Beach, and carried.

(3) A follow-up report was made regarding the previously rejected (July 1982) claim from Pacific Telephone Company. GAB Business Services, Inc., the insurance adjuster, informs us that there is no liability to the District in this matter in that the telephone company was in violation of our easement.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

(1) The power projects status reports were rendered. The Upper San Joaquin River Water and Power Authority (USJRW & PA) requested that the District provided a resolution to correct the name of the project by elimination of the "Jackass-Chiquito" references. The resolution was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director McFarlin and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Director Beach, Chase, Ketscher, McFarlin

and Orlopp

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

- (2) The Kings River Syphon was discussed with the intend to re-open the feasibility of placing a hydro-electric facility on the site. Several companies are interested in providing a "turn Key" operation to the District. The manager was directed to continue these talks with the proviso that no cost to the District will be incurred for an study as to feasibility.
- (3) The status of union activities was reported.
- (4) The JPIA Budget was discussed.
- (5) A lengthly review of the pending 1983 budget Options was held. It should be noted that the Budget adoption is not due until the September Regular Meeting, however, prparations were provided early so as to afford the maximum study prior to adoption of the review budget.

The Manager presented the Improvement District Maintenance Report. Major elements of discussions were:

- (1) The problem caused by landowner Nersesian digging a ditch over District lines has been corrected.
- (2) The manager reported that a meeting is to take place between himself and an agent for Fresno County on Thursday, August 12, 1982 to discuss damages to District property and failure of the county to enter into an agreement prior to jointly using the Distirct easement.
- (3) The damage report is ready to send to Pacific Telephone Company for their drilling through the District pipeline. Amount of claim will be \$473.87.
- (4) The Improvement District Maintenance and Budget Report was rendered.

Director Chase asked why it was taking so long to get the Monthly Water Usage Reports to the landowners. He stated that the latest report he has is for the month of May. The manager reported that the delay was caused by internal problems, not the computer service, when the clerk was absent having her baby. The statements will be sent out in the next week bringing them up to date.

The Assessor's Book was presented to the Board in preparation for the up-coming Board of Equalization proceedings.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at $4:51\ \text{P.M.}$

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, September 8,

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President at 1:30 P.M. with following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

D. W. Ketscher, Vice President

Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin James O. Orlopp Dale L. R. Lucas

Secretary

Absent

Harvey S. Chase, President

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 11, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$88,782.18 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director McFarlin and carried.

The Secretary presented the Cash Plan Report, the Statement of Finances, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water was discussed.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

The 1983 Budget was presented and discussed. lengthly discussion, Director Beach moved adoption of the Budget as proposed in option #five. Second was made by Director Orlopp and carried unanimously by the following vote:

AYES:

Director Ketscher, Beach, McFarlin,

Orlopp

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Director Chase

At 2:30 P.M. the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District recessed and reconvened as the Board of Equalization for the Orange Cove Irrigation District. In that no persons elected to appear before the Board of Equalization, the Board reviewed the documents and exhibits pertaining to the assessments for 1983 and resolved (Resolution 5-82) to an assessment reate of \$5.00/\$100.00 of assessed evaluation. was offered and moved by Director McFarlin; seconded by Director Beach and carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Ketscher, Beach, McFarlin

Orlopp

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Director Chase

The Equalization Board adjourned and reconvened as the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District at the direction of Vice President Ketscher.

Resolution 6-82 regarding the Standby Charges for 1983 was moved by Director Beach to be \$2.05 per acre in order to raise the budget \$57,004.00 necessary to meet obligations. Second was made by Director McFarlin and carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Ketscher, Beach, McFarlin, Orlopp

Noes:

None

ABSENT:

Director Chase

- (3) The possibility of annexation of the property encompassed in the abandoned AT & SF railway was presented. Due to the absence of any obstacles to preclude doing so, the Manager was directed to continue proceedings to accomplish annexation of the subject property.
- (4) A letter from Alta Irrigation District soliciting comments from this Board regarding appointment of Douglas B. Jensen, esq., as their attorney was read to the Board. In that the letter was received subsequent to Mr. Jensen's appointment, no action was taken.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) The USJRW & PA and FPA power projects report was rendered.
- (2) The "Water Resources Statutory Initiative (Proposition #13) was discussed. Due to the disasterous impact it would have upon the landowners of this District, Director Orlopp offered Resolution 7-82 to oppose the initiative. Second was made by Director McFarlin and carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Ketscher, Beach, McFarlin

Orlopp

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Director Chase

The Manager presented the Improvement District Maintenance and Budget Report.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at $3:55~\mathrm{P.M.}$

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Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, October 13, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President D.W. Ketscher, Vice President

Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin James O. Orlopp Dale L. R. Lucas Douglas B. Jensen

Secretary Attorney

Absent:

None

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 8, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$73,640.38 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director McFarlin and carried.

The Secretary presented the Cash Plan Report, the Statement of Finances, and the Expense Budget Report.

The status of Water was discussed. A report from Commissioner Broadbent (USBR) outlining his priorities for future Reclamation activities in California was presented.

The sale of CVP water to Short-Term Contractors was discussed. It was noted that the USBR has been declaring the availability of surplus water for sale to the long-term contractors (i.e. OCID) at a charge of \$6.10 per acre foot. Failure to sell to the long-term contractors resulted in offering the same water to short-term contractors at a rate of \$3.50 per acre foot. In the past the USBR has set a precedent by first restoring water to those districts who lost water during an obligatory period in which water for which they were paying for had been spilled. There was such a spill this year, however, the Bureau has not restored prior to offering the sale. Also, the pricing of the surplus water is questioned. Five districts within the Friant Water Users Association have started litigation against the USBR in an estopal of this water sale. They have requested that they be allowed to file the suit in the name of FWUA. Director Ketscher moved that this District vote in favor of such a proposal at the next FWUA meeting. Second was made by Director Beach and carried unanimously.

In that the usage of water by landowners in the District continues to fall short of the projections in this wet year, Director Beach moved that an additional 4,000 acre feet of water be sold to Tulare Irrigation District. Second was made by Director Ketscher and passed.

A report as to the status of the landowners' committee to defeat proposition #13 was rendered. It was noted that no expenditure of District funds relating to the proposition has occured.

Attorney Jensen discussed the ramifications of the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 with the Board. In that it is not in the best interest of Orange Cove Irrigation District to alter the present contract and that the clarification of rules and regulations applying to the law have yet to be determined, the Board decided to do nothing at the present time. The "leasing" portion of the Act was discussed at great length. Section 203(b) seems to be an unconstitutional abridgement of the existing contract if implemented in the four and one-half years outlined since our existing contract does not expire until 1989.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- (1) The applicability of G.O. 128 regarding joint easements was discussed. In that the District is not a "privately owned utility", the order does not affect our operations. This refutes the claim of Pacific Telephone that they were injured by damage to their lines with our right-ofway.
- (2) JPIA provided a letter indicating that the payment to Tulare Ranch Investors was erroneous. This payment was made by GAB even though it had been denied by this Board of Directors.
- (3) A request for annexation of properties owned by Florence M. Veeh Trust was presented to the Board. The request was duly noted and will be processed as appropriate.
- (4) A worthless check was uttered to the District by Norman Miller for delinquencies. It was noted that he provided a worthless check in the preceding year and there was some difficulty in getting him to retrieve it. The Manager will pursue the matter to resolution.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following topics and actions:

- (1) An employee was terminated in a culimination of violations of Employee Rules as outlined in the MOU between the Union and the District. The attorney confirmed that all requirements of the fair employment practices were followed.
- (2) Union activities as pertains to the disolution of the existing MOU were discussed. No change in the present course are required.
- (3) The Power Projects were discussed.
- (4) A reminder of the JPIA/ACWA Convention, to be held in San Diego from December 7-10 was made. Tentative arrangements for all Directors and the Manager have been accomplished.
- (5) The Manager has been appointed to the FWUA Insurance Committee. Currently, a study is under way to ascertain the advisability of finding medical insurance independent of our present group policy. It appears that we can achieve a savings due to geographic location as applied to rate structure.

The Improvement District Maintenance and Budget Report was rendered.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 4:22 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, President

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Wednesday, November 10, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at $1:30\ P.M.$ with the following Directors and Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President D. W. Ketscher, Vice President Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin

Richard McFarlin James O. Orlopp Dale L. R. Lucas

Secretary

Absent:

None

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$73,640.38 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Beach, seconded by Director McFarlin and carried.

The Secretary presented the Cash Plan Report, the Statement of Finances, and the Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water was discussed. A motion to sell 1,500 acre feet of water to Tulare Irrigation District was made by Director Ketscher. Second was made by Director Orlopp and the measure carried.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- 1) The status of annexation proceedings for the abandoned railway were discussed.
- 2) It was reported that Norman Miller has redeemed his worthless check after much delays. He still remains in a delinquent status with regard to his maintenance assessment and a "mechanic's lein" has been placed on his property.
- 3) Due to the conflict in schedule of the next Regular Meeting date with ACWA Convention the Board decided to meet on Friday, December 3, 1982 at the regular hour for the December Regular Meeting.
- 4) A call for funds in the amount of 9¢ per acre of District land to support the Farm/Water Alliance was received from Arvin-Edison Water Storage District. This money is to be used to support activities of the Farm Water Alliance to assist in the rule making process, which could last through 1983. Director Ketscher moved approval of this expenditure. Second was made by Director Beach and the motion carried.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following topics and actions:

(2:28 PM) The Board went into closed session to discuss personnel matters and the grievance of one Ms. Patricia Reilly, a former employee who was terminated for cause.

Also, discussed was the status of Union representation of ${\tt OCID}$ employees.

(2:49 PM) The Board reconvened in open session.

- In the matter of Ms. Patricia Reilly, the Board denied her appeal.
- 2) A final count of Directors and wives who will attend the ACWA/JPIA Convention in San Diego from December 7-10 was made.
- 3) The Manager informed the Board of a problem with the diesel pickup engine. Inspection has revealed that the engine is in need of major overhaul and is inoperable. Options

available were, a) Trade the vehicle for a new one, b) convert the vehicle to gasoline and replace the engine, or c) overhaul the engine and up-grade the engine with more durable components. Director Ketscher moved that the latter option be affected. Second was made by Director Chase and the motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Chase, Ketscher, Orlopp

NOES:

Director Beach

ABSTAIN: Director McFarlin

4) The Status of the Power Projects was reported.

The Improvement District Maintenance and Budget Report was rendered and discussed. There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 3:32 P.M.

Lucas, Secretary

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held on Friday, December 3, 1982:

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors Officers present:

Directors

Harvey S. Chase, President D.W. Ketscher, Vice President Stanley C. Beach

Stanley C. Beach Richard McFarlin James O. Orlopp Dale L. R. Lucas

Secretary

Absent:

None

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 10, 1982 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$62,446.22 were read, approved and ordered paid at the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher and carried.

The Secretary presented the Cash Plan Report, the Statement of Finances, and Expense Budget Report.

The Status of Water was discussed.

The Secretary's Report consisted of the following:

- 1) A draft letter to JPIA/ACWA was read to inform that the Board of Directors of this body cannot accept the payment made to Tulare Ranch Investors in the amount of \$755.00. This body rejected the claim as excessive and has not changed that decision. The Secretary was directed to publish the letter.
- 2) A presentation was made to ascertain the desires of the Board of Directors regarding pulling out of Social Security. The Board feels that it would be inadvisable to do so, as the system needs full support rather than abandonment at a time of crisis.
- 3) A call for fund (dues) from Western Water Education Fund in the amount of $\frac{\$100.00}{100}$ was presented. Director McFarlin moved approval of this amount. The motion was seconded by Director Beach and carried.

The Manager's Report consisted of the following topics and actions:

- 1) It was reported that as of January 1, 1983 the employees would no longer be represented by the Union.
- 2) The JPIA ACWA Convention at San Diego to be conducted on the dates December 7-10, inclusive, was discussed.
- 3) Request was made to determine those Directors who would be attending the 16th Regional Water Users Conference in Ventura on January 19-21. Director McFarlin will represent the District.
- 4) The power projects were discussed.

The Monthly Operational Summary (MOPSUM) was presented and discussed.

The Improvement District Maintenance and Budget Report was rendered and discussed.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 3:35 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase, Presiden