

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, January 14, 1953.

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 December 10, 1952 and the adjourned regular meeting of December 15, 1952 were read and approved. The adjourned regular meeting of December 29, 1952 was not held.

Bills in the amount of \$15,662.79 per attached list were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Bear, seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 43
(Sale of Property to Haruko Wada)

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp that the Treasurer be authorized to purchase Interest Coupons in the total amount of \$32.50 for Improvement District No. 3B-4B. Motion carried.

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

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

The Board proceeded with the continued hearing on South El Monte petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion be continued for all purposes until February 11, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding water toll charges for 1953.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the ditchtending and administration charge for 1953 be set at \$1.20 per acre foot.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

AYES:	Directors Shiffler, Orlopp
NOES:	Directors Bear, Chase
ABSENT:	Director Hudson

Motion lost.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Chase that the ditchtending and administration charge for 1953 be set at \$1.00 per acre foot.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

AYES: Director Bear, Chase
 NOES: Director Shiffler, Orlopp
 ABSENT: Director Hudson

Motion lost.

It was agreed to continue the matter of setting the 1953 water toll until the continued meeting.

A discussion was had with Mr. Ray Sparling regarding individual water meters.

A letter from Forrest Frick, Chairman of the Water Economics Committee of the Irrigation Districts Association dated January 8, 1953 was read and the matter tabled until the next meeting.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be continued until Tuesday, January 20, 1953 at 2:30 P.M.
 Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase

 President
A. J. Vortmann

 Secretary

Minutes of the continued regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District January 20, 1953.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 P.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, Harry Shiffler, Fred Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Bear that the water rates shall be as follows:

Water - \$3.50 per acre foot canal side.
 Ditchtending & Administration - \$1.10 per acre foot
 Power Deposits - 1B, \$1.00; Buttonwillow, 0; 3A, \$2.75; 3B-4B, 50¢;
 5B, 50¢; Lincoln, \$2.75; 6-1, \$2.75; 6, \$2.00; 7, 50¢; 8, \$2.00;
 9, 50¢; 10, 50¢; 11A, \$2.00; 11B Pipe, \$1.00; 11B Ditch, 50¢;
 12, \$1.00; 13, \$2.00.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

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

The Secretary read a letter dated January 8, 1953 from the Irrigation Districts Association requesting assistance for the Water Economics Committee program for 1953.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that \$25.00 be sent to the Water Economics Committee for 1953 program. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: 4, NOES: 1

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that effective on the first regular meeting in March, 1953 each member of the Board of Directors shall receive for sitting on the Board:

- (a) \$10.00 for the regular monthly meeting
- (b) Seven cents (\$0.07) per mile for each mile actually traveled between his place of residence and the District office for

each regular meeting and each adjourned regular meeting and each special meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Shiffler that Harvey S. Chase be authorized to attend the Irrigation Districts Association Executive Committee meeting at Sacramento, January 23, 1953. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler 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 4, 1953.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M., Monday, February 9, 1953.

Present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, Fred H. Bear, 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 4, 1953, the Board of Directors met 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 upon the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Hudson.

That the whole number of votes cast in the said Orange Cove Irrigation District at said election was 77;

That the names of the persons voted for were Harvey Chase, Fred Bear, Oscar Orlopp, A. J. Vortmann, D. L. Case, and J. W. Stewart.

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

That the office for which said Fred Bear was voted for was that of Director from the Fourth Division of said District;

That the office for which said Oscar Orlopp was voted for was that of Director from the Fifth Division of said District;

That the office for which said A. J. Vortmann was voted for was that of Assessor-Collector of said District;

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

That the office for which said J. W. Stewart 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 13 votes were given to said A. J. Vortmann for said office and 14 votes were given to said D. L. Case 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 A. J. Vortmann for said office and 5 votes were given to D. L. Case for said office and 1 vote was given to J. W. Stewart 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 17 votes were given to said Harvey Chase for said office and 17 votes were given to said A. J. Vortmann for said office and 17 votes were given to said D. 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 23 votes were given to said Fred Bear for said office and 21 votes were given to said A. J. Vortmann for said office and 21 votes were given to said D. 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 17 votes were given to said Oscar Orlopp for said office and 17 votes were given to said A. J. Vortmann for said office and 17 votes were given to said D. L. Case for said office and no votes were given in said precinct to any other person.

Thereupon, on motion of Director Shiffler seconded by Director Hudson 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 4, 1953; and

WHEREAS, it appears from such canvass, and this Board now finds and determines that at said election, Harvey Chase received the highest number of votes for the office of Director from the Third Division, Fred 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. J. Vortmann received the highest number of votes for the office of Assessor-Collector from the District at large, D. L. Case received the highest number of votes for the office of Treasurer from the District at large;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that said Harvey S. Chase has been duly elected to the office of Director from the Third Division, Fred Bear has been duly elected to the office of Director from the Fourth Division, Oscar Orlopp has been duly elected to the office of Director from the Fifth Division, A. J. Vortmann has been duly elected to the office of Assessor-Collector from the District at large, D. 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 4 year term commencing on the Second Tuesday of March, 1953.

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

Harvey S. Chase
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, February 11, 1953.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 14, 1953, the adjourned regular meeting of January 20, 1953, and the meeting of February 4th, 1953 for the canvass of election returns were read and approved.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Orlopp that the Sam Hayward property (40 acres) outside Improvement District No. 3B-4B be allowed to receive service from the 4B ditch upon his payment of Facility Use Charges for Improvement District No. 5B and upon signing Agreement and paying 80¢ per acre for use of the ditch for 1953 season and the President and Secretary are authorized to sign agreement. Motion carried.

L. E. Thomas' petition for inclusion of land into Improvement District No. 3B-4B was presented to the Board of Directors.

(Resolution No. 44)
(Request for Feasibility Report and Plans on
Thomas Inclusion)

The attached feasibility report on the proposed Thomas Inclusion into Improvement District No. 3B-4B was filed by J. F. Sorensen and then read.

(Resolution No. 45)
Setting Date of Hearing on Thomas Inclusion)

The Secretary was instructed to write a letter of appreciation to each election official.

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

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

Morgan Oldham presented the problem of drainage in the 3B-4B area. No action was taken.

Bills in the total amount of \$15,266.93 were read, approved and ordered paid by motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear. Motion carried.

The Board then proceeded with the hearing on the South El Monte Petition for Inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the hearing on the South El Monte Petition for inclusion be continued for all purposes until Wednesday, March 11, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp that land-owners in South El Monte Inclusion area be given applications for 1953 water bearing the rate of \$3.50 per acre foot for water at Canalside plus \$1.10 deposit for administrative and ditchtending costs. Applications will be accepted conditioned upon the approval of the U.S.B.R. to deliver water to this area. Motion carried.

(Resolution No. 46)
(Resolution re water policy of Bureau of Reclamation)

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that J. F. Sorensen be authorized to negotiate with the U.S.B.R. regarding the disposal of Bureau surplus property in Orange Cove. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Saturday, February 28, 1953 at 10:00 A.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 28, 1953.

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

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear that the Petty Cash account be reimbursed in the amount of \$379.35. Motion carried.

The Secretary reported that a total of 29,281 acre feet of water had been ordered, of which 1,020 was for South El Monte.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that 27,500 acre feet of water be ordered for the 1953 season and that payment be authorized as follows:

24,750 acre feet Class I Water @ \$3.50	\$86,625.00
<u>2,750</u> acre feet Class II Water @ \$1.50	<u>4,125.00</u>
27,500	\$90,750.00
Less 1952 Credit	<u>8,250.00</u>
	\$82,500.00

Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler that Harvey S. Chase and J. F. Sorensen be authorized to increase the 1953 water order to the total amount of the deposits at their discretion. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler 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, March 11, 1953.

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 S. J. Vortmann.

All newly elected officers took office as of noon, March 11, 1953.

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

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

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler that Harvey S. Chase be authorized to sign standard agreement with Zaninovich Bros. for rental of Improvement District No. 9 facilities when all papers are in order. Motion carried.

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

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 11, 1953, and the adjourned regular meeting of February 28, 1953 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$32,035.72 were read, approved and ordered paid by motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Hudson. Motion carried.

The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$205,097.48 as of February 28, 1953.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte Petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear that the hearing on the South El Monte Petition be continued for all purposes until Wednesday, April 8, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

The Board then proceeded with the hearing on the Thomas petition for inclusion into Improvement District No. 3B-4B

Resolution No. 47
(L. E. Thomas Inclusion Petition)

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the bonds for A. J. Vortmann, Assessor-Collector, dated March 11, 1953 and the bond for D. L. Case, Treasurer, dated March 11, 1953 be approved. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Hudson that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, March 25, 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 8, 1953.

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

It was moved by Director Hudson, seconded by Director Bear, that we order and pay for 4,300 acre feet of water to bring our total order for 1953 to 31,800 acre feet, payment as follows:

3870 Acre Feet Class I @ \$3.50 =	\$13,545.00
430 Acre Feet Class II @ \$1.50 =	645.00
<u>4300</u>	<u>\$14,190.00</u>

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

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

The Board proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion be continued for all purposes until May 13, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding the partial redemption of delinquent taxes by Arnold Buller.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 11, 1953 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$48,809.81 were read, approved and ordered paid by motion of Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler, Motion carried.

The Secretary reported a bank balance of \$228,986.77 as of March 31, 1953.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Shiffler that A. J. Vortmann, as Secretary be bonded in the amount of \$5,000.00. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the Treasurer be paid \$10 per month plus mileage at 7¢ per mile effective March 1, 1953. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear that protests against our Kings River filing be answered. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 4
NOES: None
NOT VOTING: 1

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the meeting be adjourned until April 22, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

A. J. Vortmann

President Secretary

Secretary
President

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District April 22, 1953.

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

The Secretary read a letter dated March 30, 1953 addressed to the Secretary of the Interior from Under-Secretary Aandahl. Subject: meeting of February 24 and 26 concerning Rank vs. Krug and related California water problems.

The following resolution was discussed with relation to the foregoing letter and then adopted upon the motion of Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear.

Resolution No. 48
(To Secretary of Interior re C.V.P.)

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

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

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear that the Secretary be authorized to refund water deposits for 1953 to those landowners who demand refunds of deposits. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the following bills be paid:

Petty Cash	\$430.83
C. J. Denison	100.00
Frank Frane	896.91

Motion carried.

The policy of the Board with regard to those persons who ordered water after March 1, 1953 was discussed. It was agreed that since no water was available for these individuals, it is their problem to obtain signed releases for water from those having a firm supply.

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

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District held May 13, 1953.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 8, 1953 and the adjourned regular meeting of April 22, 1953 were read and approved.

J. F. Sorensen read a letter from J. W. Rodner dated May 1, 1953 regarding C.V.P. power. A discussion was had on power.

A discussion was had on the 1953 water.

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

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

George Tarbell's claim for damages was discussed. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that George Tarbell's claim for damages to his property in the amount of \$149.00 be paid and charged against Improvement District No. 11B. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the Engineer be instructed to repair 11B Ditch so as to eliminate damage claims. Motion carried.

The Secretary read a letter dated May 11, 1953 from the State Department of Public Works acknowledging receipt of our answer to the protests against our Kings River filing.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte Petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion be continued for all purposes until June 10, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Bear that James K. Abercrombie and W. A. Alexander be authorized to represent the Orange Cove Irrigation District in presenting to all interested State and Federal officials and agencies the request expressed in our resolution No. 48 (The Secretary of the Interior re C.V.P.), passed and adopted April 22, 1953, with such data in connection therewith as they deem appropriate, to the end of obtaining prompt and favorable action upon our request. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Bear that Harvey Chase be authorized to attend the California Irrigation Districts Association meeting at Sacramento on May 22, 1953. Motion carried.

Bills in the amount of \$19,921.39 per attached list were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Bear seconded by Director Hudson. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Shiffler that the following letter be mailed to all water users:

"At the present time, according to best information furnished to use, we think that we will be unable to furnish any water in addition to your original order placed prior to February 25, 1953.

We regret that this change from our previous operating policy is necessary."

By order of the Board of Directors

J. F. Sorensen, Engineer-Manager

Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be continued until May 27, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

President

Secretary

Minutes of the regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, May 27, 1953.

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

A discussion was had regarding the 1953 water supply. It was agreed that 1,000 acre feet of Class I water is needed now and 2,000 acre feet of Class II water is needed prior to July 1st. If 1,000 acre feet of Class I water is obtained, then 500 acre feet can be allocated to late orders and hardship cases.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Hudson that Lindsay Strathmore Irrigation District be paid \$600.00 for 400 acre feet of Class II water. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson, seconded by Director Orlopp that the Petty Cash account be reimbursed in the amount of \$359.29. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 49
(Authorizing Engineer to sign papers
needed by U. S. Bureau of Reclamation)

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

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District June 10, 1953.

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

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of May 13, 1953 and the adjourned regular meeting of May 27, 1953 were read and approved.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that Harvey S. Chase be re-appointed our representative to the Executive Committee of the Friant-Water Users Association. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Hudson that the Friant Water Users Association dues in the amount of \$10.00 be paid and upon the adoption by the Association of the new dues schedule (\$40) the additional \$30.00 shall be paid. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler to pay for water purchased as follows:

Lindsay Strathmore Irrigation District	\$595.50
Lower Tule River Irrigation District	1500.00
Southern San Joaquin Municipal Utilities District	4200.00

Motion carried.

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

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

The Board proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the hearing on the South El Monte petition be continued for all purposes until July 8, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Bills in the amount of \$14,164.32 per attached list were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear. Motion carried.

It was directed that due to the present situation of the water supply it is not necessary to mail letters to landowners as per instructions of May 13, 1953 (Page 235)

Resolution No. 50
(Re HR 4397 and HR 4404 pending before
Congress)

Resolution No. 51
(Re Calif. Assembly Bill No. 863)

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Hudson that the meeting be continued until June 24, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, July 8, 1953.

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

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler that John Hudson be president pro tem until the arrival of President Chase. Motion carried.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of June 10, 1953 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$13,520.52 per attached list were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear. Motion carried.

J. F. Sorensen advised that an additional 500 acre feet of water had been purchased from Exeter Irrigation District.

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

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

The Secretary read letters from T. R. Thompson dated June 5, 1953, from J. W. Rodner dated June 16, 1953 regarding emergency spill facilities, and from J. W. Rodner dated July 7, 1953 regarding availability of additional water for 1953 season.

Resolution No. 52
(Re: Bureau of Reclamation request for Use
of Power Poles.)

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the Hearing on the South El Monte petition be continued for all purposes until Wednesday, August 12, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that lands now held by the District under collector's deeds be advertised for sale as follows:

Orosi Farms: Lot 61 and S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 62, less 15 acres sold to the U.S.A., Section 3, Twp. 16 South, Rge. 25 East, MDB&M
Minimum Bid \$560.00 (advertised in Cutler-Orosi Courier)

Town of Navelencia: Lot 22 in Blk 8, Minimum Bid \$35.00
(Advertise in Reedley Exponent)

Sale to take place Wednesday, August 12, 1953 at the District Office. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be continued until Wednesday, July 22, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District August 12, 1953.

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

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of July 8, 1953 were read and approved.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Hudson to authorize a call for bids at 11:00 A.M. for the purchase of a pickup truck. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Shiffler that the Account No. 104 "Excess Collections" be closed out to Account No. 209 "Sundry Gains and Losses", total amount \$13.76. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the time for acceptance of bids for pickup truck be closed. Motion carried.

Bids for a $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pickup truck were opened and read as follows:

		<u>Truck</u>	<u>Trade In</u>	<u>Net</u>
Enns, Reedley	G.M.C.	\$1787.59	\$700.00	\$1087.59
Ratzlaff, Reedley	Dodge	1727.90	850.00	877.90
Cochran, Dinuba	Dodge	1744.49	544.49	1200.00
Biswell, Dinuba	Ford	1686.02	536.02	1150.00
Hughes, Reedley	Ford	1600.17	525.00	1075.17
Reedley Motors, Reedley	Studebaker	1750.59	650.00	1100.00
International, Fresno	International	1625.33	435.00	1190.33
Allied Equipment, Reedley	International	1772.53	622.53	1150.00
Starnes, Sanger	Chevrolet	1759.92	564.92	1195.00
Rodman, Fresno	Chevrolet	1565.33	316.33	1249.00
Martens, Reedley	Chevrolet	1806.14	700.00	1106.14
Alta Chevrolet, Dinuba	Chevrolet	1543.46	400.00	1143.46

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Hudson that bids for the pickup truck be taken under advisement. Motion carried.

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 Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the Irrigation District cooperate to the fullest extent with all fire districts within our boundaries in supplying water. Motion carried.

The Board directed that the claim against the USBR for refund for non-delivery of 1951 water be resubmitted.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the time for acceptance of sealed bids for the sale of tax delinquent property, namely: Orosi Farms, Lot 61 and $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 62, less 15 acres sold to USA, Section 3, Twp. 16 South, Rge. 25 East, MDB&M, be closed. Motion carried.

The Secretary opened the only sealed bid received which read as follows:

H. A. Collin Jr. \$690.00

The Board then proceeded with oral bids. James V. Stone opened the oral bidding at \$760.00. Bidding proceeded with alternate bids from Raymond Elrod and James V. Stone until Mr. Stone made the final highest bid of \$950.00.

Resolution No. 53
(Sale of Tax Delinquent Land)

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion be continued

for all purposes until Thursday, September 10, 1953 at 2:00 P;M.
Motion carried.

George J. Tarbell presented to the Board his problem with relation to the operation of 11B Ditch with regard to the flow of water. The Engineer-Manager was instructed to meet with Mr. Tarbell and to effect a solution.

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear that two-year warrants bearing 5% interest will be issued to the District on September 10, 1953 to cover unpaid supplemental assessments for Improvement District No. 11B. Motion carried.

Bills in the total amount of \$12,146.81 were read, approved and ordered paid by motion of Director Bear, seconded by Director Shiffler. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that a Dodge pickup be purchased from Ratzlaff Motor Sales per their bid of \$877.90.

Ayes: Shiffler, Bear, Orlopp
Noes; Hudson, Chase
Absent: None

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, August 19, 1953 at 2:00 P.M.
Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, August 19, 1953.

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, Oscar Orlopp, Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen, and Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

A discussion was had on the proposed budget for 1953-54.

The Secretary read Leroy McCormick's letter of July 1, 1953 addressed to the State Director of the USBR regarding our Water Service Contract.

The Secretary read the State Director's (USBR) letter of August 14, 1953 explaining provisions, options, and dates in our Water Service Contract.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, September 2, 1953 at 2:00 P.M.
Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, September 2, 1953.

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

Resolution 54
(Re Sale of Water to Wahtoke Water Assn)

Resolution 55
(Re Sale of Water to Lovell Community Services District)

A discussion was had on the proposed 1953-54 budget.

The Board then proceeded to act as a Board of Equalization to equalize assessments. The Secretary reported there were no written protests to the valuation of lands. No one present protested valuations. Director Shiffler arrived

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Bear that the meeting of the Board acting as a Board of Equalization to equalize assessments be continued until September 10, 1953 at 10:00 A.M. Motion carried.

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

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, September 10, 1953.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 P.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.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of August 12, 1953 and the adjourned regular meeting of August 19, 1953 and the adjourned regular meeting of September 2, 1953 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$ 14,476.31 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion carried.

The Board then proceeded to act as a Board of Equalization to equalize assessments from the continued meeting of September 2, 1953.

Resolution 56
(Equalization of Assessments)

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Orlopp that we sell 200 acre feet of water to Wahtoke and 200 acre feet to Lovell. Motion carried.

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

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorneys Leroy McCormick and Walter McCormick present.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler to authorize a call for bids and to advertise for the purchase of a ditch digger. Motion carried.

Resolution 57
(11 B Warrants for Supplemental Assessment)

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the hearing on the South El Monte petition be continued for all purposes until Wednesday, October 14, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Resolution 58
(1953-54 Budget)

Resolution 59
(1953-54 Improvement District Budgets)

Resolution 60
(Levy of Annual Assessment)

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, September 23, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District September 23, 1953.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. Officers present were Directors Harvey S. Chase, President, Fred Bear, John Hudson, Oscar Orlopp, and Engineer-Manager J. F. Sorensen.

James F. Sorensen was appointed to act as Secretary in the absence of Secretary A. J. Vortmann.

The Board proceeded to open bids on a back-hoe digger, which read as follows:

	Unit	<u>With Air Cooled Engine</u>
Allied Equipment Co.	\$2643.39	\$3243.88
Moore Equipment Co.	2794.59	3378.30

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the digger be purchased from Allied Equipment Co. Motion carried.

The Board directed that no expenditures be made at the present time for Wahtoke Creek and Sand Creek spill gates.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that a ditch plow be purchased, price not to exceed \$550.00 Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Bear that the meeting be adjourned until Friday, October 9, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 9, 1953.

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

Bills in the amount of \$10,018.93 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson, seconded by Director Orlopp that J. F. Sorensen property (5) acres) outside Improvement District No. 7 be allowed to receive service from Improvement District No. 7 upon signing agreement and paying \$17.31 for use of facilities for 1953 season, and the President and Secretary are authorized to sign agreement. Motion carried.

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

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 14, 1953.

Since no directors were present due to the N.R.A. Convention, the Secretary adjourned the meeting until October 21, 1953 at 2:00 P.M.

Minutes of the regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 21, 1953.

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

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of September 10, 1953, the adjourned regular meeting of September 23, 1953, and the adjourned regular meeting of October 9, 1953 were read and approved.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion be continued for all purposes until Thursday November 12, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

D. D. Toews was present and presented, orally, his claim for adjustment for an overcharge for water, approximately 2 acre feet. District records were produced showing delivery had been made. Mr. Ellis, ditchtender, appeared and stated his method of keeping the records and method of delivery.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Shiffler that after due consideration of D. D. Toew's claim for 2 acre feet of water overcharge, Mr. Toew's testimony, Mr. Ellis' (ditchtender) statement and a thorough examination of the district records, be it resolved that D. D. Toew's claim be denied. Motion carried.

A discussion was had on gypsum applicators. It was agreed that if no other method is possible, gyp applicators may be installed by landowner, with permission from the district, on the district's

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 9, 1953.

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

Bills in the amount of \$10,018.93 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Bear. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson, seconded by Director Orlopp that J. F. Sorensen property (5 acres) outside Improvement District No. 7 be allowed to receive service from Improvement District No. 7 upon signing agreement and paying \$17.31 for use of facilities for 1953 season, and the President and Secretary are authorized to sign agreement. Motion carried.

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

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

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

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of September 10, 1953, the adjourned regular meeting of September 23, 1953, and the adjourned regular meeting of October 9, 1953 were read and approved.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion be continued for all purposes until Thursday November 12, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

D. D. Toews was present and presented, orally, his claim for adjustment for an overcharge for water, approximately 2 acre feet. District records were produced showing delivery had been made. Mr. Ellis, ditchtender, appeared and stated his method of keeping the records and method of delivery.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Shiffler that after due consideration of D. D. Toew's claim for 2 acre feet of water overcharge, Mr. Toew's testimony, Mr. Ellis' (ditchtender) statement and a thorough examination of the district records, be it resolved that D. D. Toew's claim be denied. Motion carried.

A discussion was had on gypsum applicators. It was agreed that if no other method is possible, gyp applicators may be installed by landowner, with permission from the district, on the district's

side of the measuring slide of the delivery and that a minimum charge will be made for water used for operation of applicator, such minimum to be determined in each case.

A discussion was had on rental rate of Back Hoe. Matter tabled pending further information.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Monday, November 9, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, November 9, 1953.

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

Bills in the amount of \$14,516.80 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Hudson. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 61
(Endorsing Friant Water Users Assn. Resolution)

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

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District November 12, 1953.

Since no directors were present due to the Irrigation Districts Association Convention at Palm Springs, the Secretary adjourned the meeting until November 18, 1953 at 10:00 A. M.

Minutes of the regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District November 18, 1953.

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of October 14, the adjourned meeting of October 21, and the adjourned regular meeting of November 9 were read and approved.

A discussion was had on the Irrigation Districts Association Convention held November 11th to 13th.

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

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

The Board proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte petition for inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Shiffler that the hearing on the South El Monte Petition be continued for all purposes until December 9, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler seconded by Director Orlopp that bills be prepared for 1953 water deliveries and that a charge be added in the amount of 10% of the cost of the water only (\$3.50) that was overordered to cover the cost of the water not used. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Hudson seconded by Director Orlopp that the South El Monte water users be charged \$1.10 per acre foot for ditch-tending and administration, and also be subject to 10% of the cost of the water that was overordered. Motion carried.

J. F. Sorensen read a draft of a letter to be sent to the U.S.B.R. regarding seepage.

George T. Goldman Jr. was present and requested inclusion of land into the district. He was advised to file a letter requesting to be advised when consideration of inclusions would be taken up.

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

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, December 9, 1953.

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of November 12 and the adjourned regular meeting of November 18, 1953 were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$5017.35 per attached list were read, approved, and ordered paid by the motion of Director Bear seconded by Director Shiffler. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Hudson that the Board of Directors endorse in principal the proposed addition to the Friant Water Users Association By-Laws, Article 10 Voting as stated in exhibit C in the minutes of said Association dated November 19, 1953. Motion carried.

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

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Director Orlopp present.

Mr. Robert Durbrow, Executive Secretary of the Irrigation Districts Association was present and discussed water problems and various association policies.

The Board then proceeded with the continued hearing on the South El Monte Petition for Inclusion. It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Bear that the hearing on the South El Monte Petition be continued for all purposes until January 13, 1954 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp seconded by Director Hudson that the following rates be in effect for the rental of equipment:

	<u>For Back Hoe</u>	<u>For Ditch Plow</u>
To Improvement Districts	\$6.00 per hr.	\$ 0.50 per hour
To Landowners	10.00 " "	10.00 per day or part day
To Outsiders	15.00 " "	15.00 per day or part day

Motion carried.

M. N. Jensen was present and discussed the problem of tules and weeds in Wooten Creek. No action was taken.

It was moved by Director Bear seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until December 30, 1953 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

President

A. J. Vortmann

Secretary