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LOWER NIPIT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LOWER NIPIT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT JULY 4, 1983 McCLELLAN COTTAGE

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Fred Colburn, with 16 members present.

Minutes of the 1982 meeting were read.

MOVED by Mr. Sakaloff and SECONDED by Mrs. Wilson that the minutes be adopted as read.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. McClellan reviewed the letters received from Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Highways and Freda Webb.

BUSINESS ARISING

Eric Ripley agreed to read the water gauges if they were re-established and maintained by the Ministry of Environment.

Pat Abbott suggested a letter of thanks be sent to Freda and Bert Webb for their efforts on behalf of the District.

TREASURERS REPORT

Presented by Mr. Galloway. Balance on hand as of July 1, 1983 is \$3,229.92. Mr. Galloway MOVED and Mr. Riply SECONDED the adoption of this report.

CARRIED

Discussion followed re \$20.00 water license fee. It was agreed this should not be allowed to lapse.

Mr. George Abbott was appointed Auditor for the coming year.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Report and Discussion:

1. Lake level has risen from 12'-4" to 19'-8" this year. Reading as of meeting was 19'-4 1/2".
2. Water Committee Chairman, Eric Riply read a report on water conditions showing 117% above normal snow pack, with heavy spring rains, this all contributed to high water level. Due to intermittent irrigation and continued rain the level of the lake remains high. This report was tabled.

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3. Tony Galloway introduced a letter covering 1975 high water. A thorough discussion was held to determine the best course of action.
4. Any average or greater run off in the spring of 1984 could pose a serious flood threat to private property on the lake front.

MOVED by Mr. McClellan SECONDED by Mr. Abbott that the L.N.I.D. request the water rights branch to set a maximum danger level for Lower Twin Lakes, and establish a controlled outlet to insure that the lake does not exceed this level. This was to be withheld pending discussion with Art Krieger, Water Rights Branch and others with power to act.

CARRIED

5. Mr. Colburn pointed out we were getting co-operation from the Regional District and Mrs. Lamb was attempting to set up a meeting with our M.L.A.
6. Mr. Galloway spoke of his meeting with Mr. Jim Botham. He has agreed to meet with us in July. This will be following a meeting with Art Krieger. *
7. MOVED by Mr. Ripley SECONDED by Mrs. Wilson that failing any successful progress with Mr. Krieger of Water Rights Branch, we look into hiring a lawyer familiar with water rights proceedings to press our determination to establish some permanent protection from extreme high water on Lower Twin Lakes. This was left for further action after exhausting all other avenues and will require another general meeting.] x

HIGHWAYS AND ROADS

- Mr. McClellan reported on his dealings with Ministry of Highways.
1. Cutting of weeds has been done on all roads.
 2. Repairing road surfaces will be done.
 3. Grading Nipit Way - Will request same.
 4. Cattle Guard on Twin Lakes road has been removed and a new one is to be installed.
 5. Wash out area at Horn Creek will be curbed and a flume installed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Secretary - Eric Riply brought up the question of an outside paid secretary but as Isabelle McClellan agreed to be secretary for one year this suggestion was dropped.

Trustee - Mr. Colburn's term as a replacement for Mr. Webb expired in 1983. Mrs. Ripley nominated Bob Tate. As Mr. Tate was not present to accept Mr. Galloway nominated Mr. Colburn who agreed to act if Mr. Tate declined. As there were no further nominations this arrangement was agreed to be acclamation.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Meeting with Art & Theodor Kueger,

Sat. July 9/83 at

Kueger Ranch.

In attendance Mrs & Mr Kueger

Fred Colburn Tony Ballou,

Mac McClellan

Purpose - To explore ways & means of controlling ~~flow~~ lake level and determine what cooperation we could expect from Kuegers

1. Use of an existing culvert. If this could be opened up with out any property damage O.K. but Art would allow no heavy

duty equipment on his property to search & dig as an aid to location

2. Auxiliary Pump. Enthusiastically supported by Kueger. Had to be to his size & specification. He would maintain and guarantee its use when needed

3. Diversion at quarry receive a flat no

4. Rainin, the dam at Horn Lake was claimed to be of no gain and would flood valuable Hay lands.

Basin of Agreement between ⁽¹⁾
Lower West Improvement District,
M. Kruger and Water Rights
Breach.

- ① L N I D purchase and owns suitable pump specified by Mr Kruger. Said pump to be used to pumping water lead.
- ② Mr Kruger install, operate and maintain pump.
- ③ Mr Kruger agrees to manage water level in both storage lakes to limit maximum water level in Town lakes, even if this requires early spring pumping to allow for Freshette inflow. Maximum water level ^{of Town lakes} to be specified by the above parties.
- ④ L N I D agrees to work with Mr Kruger in dry years to limit draw down to a minimum.

could be specified by above ⁽²⁾
parties.

(5) This agreement to become
registered against the property
owned by M. Kruger by
convenient or other appropriate
means.

(6) Failure of the owner of the
farm, ^{currently Mr. Kruger's} to come up to this agreement
as determined by the Water
Rights Board - will result
in the LWD having the right
to use the pump and water
system to pump water from
the lake into the downstream
creeks in high water years.

(7) Owner of farm agrees to maintain
pipe system through to the creek
to allow for the discharge
as specified under (3)

Submitted by Harry Ellis
November 1983