

SMWOA
MINUTES of ANNUAL MEETING
HELD AT HENRY MARCELIN'S BARN
7/14/12 Start 10:00AM -----End 3:00PM

- 1) **President:** Al Verbanac called the Annual Meeting to order.
 - A) A quorum of 87 voting members was determined by members present and or by proxies.
 - B) President stated that “we will operate under Roberts Rules that as been established over a number of years. We are going to modify it to provide 3 minutes of discussion for debate to help expedite the meeting. We are using Version 11 in conjunction with the summary from the Westside Toastmasters.”
 - C) Ed Moore was named parliamentarian by the President.
- 2) **2011 Annual Meeting Minutes:**
 - A) A motion was made to accept the 2011 minutes modified as adding the last paragraph as a footnote. Motion was seconded and passed
- 3) **President Report:**
 - A) The Association web site has made progress, Covenants and By Laws have been posted along with minutes of 2011 annual meeting
 - B) Ray Shaw has completed the weed spraying.
 - C) Melissa Griffiths from the Madison Valley Ranchlands will be sending out info to the membership with regards to identifying noxious weeds how to eradicate weeds and contact info. for weed sprayers. Reimbursement is also available through the county weed board. Also Melissa and the Ranchlands will do a weed survey.
 - D) Matson Excavation was low bidder on roadwork and \$18,000 is proposed for roadwork for 2012 and will begin in several weeks.
 - E) Metal roofs, There are three non compliant roofs . Mohr is correcting his roof with shingles. SMWOA is making progress.
- 4) **Secretary Report:** Jennifer Morrison, the secretary, had no report. After discussion with other board members it was determined that building permits were issued to Mike Vidal a garage, Mike Thomas an addition and Al Verbanac a garage.
- 5) **Treasurers Report:** Mike Donahue the treasurer had no report. Al Verbanac presented a “proposed budget” which Mr Verbanac said was not complete. A motion was made to approve the budget. A motion was made to table the motion to approve budget. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 6) The President wished to thank Henry and Joan Marcelin for being gracious hosts at the picnic last night and also for the use of their barn for the meeting. He also thanked Mark Croghan for donating the hot dogs and brats for the association picnic.
- 7) In the proposed road work, some roads will be graded, graveled and some culverts will be installed.

Old Business:

- 1) **RID Report :** Gaston report on RID was analyzed by Mark Croghan. Mark, the director at large, stated that there will be a \$10,000 to \$15,000 initial outlay to Gaston and also there would be an annual fee. His recommendation was to cease further pursuit of the RID. A motion was made to

“accept Mr.Croghan’s suggestion that we do not further investigate the RID”. The motion was seconded and passed.

2) **Water Rights Case:**

The President commented on the status of the water case. Last fall Doug Ritter ordered the DNRC “to inspect SMW and determine which lots had water rights and which lots do not.”

Mr. Kyle Mace from the DNRC came out in March of 2012 and his findings were very favorable for SMW. His recommendations were accepted by the Board of Directors because only one lot was opposed to Mr. Mace’s findings.

3) **Other :**

A) A motion was made to “ Recommend to the Board of Directors to pursue severing non water users from all costs associated with irrigation ditches. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

B) A motion was made to “ Recommend that the Board of Directors pursue, through attorney and by other means , the formation of a water company for all water users of the association. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously except for two abstaining.

C) A motion was made that the Board explore all plausible avenues for severing non water users from the cost associated with irrigating. The motion was seconded and passed

D) The Board has pursued the collection of late dues.

New Business:

1) **Cattle Policy:**

A motion was made for The Board to pursue posting the entrances to the association with” No Cattle Drive” signs . The motion was seconded and a vote was taken and the motion was defeated.

2) **Roberts Rules 2011 Election of Directors:**

The President read from Roberts Rules “When an ineligible candidate is elected, the election is void” Therefore, the entire election of 2011 was determined to be void.

The Board decided to let the membership decide what to do concerning this issue.

A motion was made to elect 5 new directors. The motion was seconded and a vote was taken. The vote was Aye 67 Nay 6 Abstain 14 The motion was passed.

3) Motion was made that the assembled members accept the correctness of the vote on the road issue that was taken in 2009 partially by mail and partially by members present and the results of that vote were 29 people voted no, 74 voted yes. Motion was seconded and passed.

Election of Board:

Motion: The Board strongly consider the top 2 vote getters serve a 2 year term and the other 3 serve a 1 year term. Motion was seconded and passed

The election of Board of Directors was by a secret ballot.

The results are as follows, Schatzie Farley, Rosie Endean, Ed Moore, Henry Marcelin and Tom Casale were elected as directors.

The length of terms of the directors was decided to be left up to the newly elected officers.