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The monthly business meeting of the board of directors of the Fire Mountain Canal and Reservoir Company was called to order by Vice President Houseweart at 7:30 PM. Director present was Wes Spore. Also present were Trey Denison and Susan Raymond and Joe Yeamans, shareholder.

Absent: Dixie Luke, Dan Robinson and John Stroh.

Wes S. motions the 08/18/11 minutes be approved as corrected, Bill H. seconds and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions the treasurer's report be accepted, Bill H. seconds and motion carries.

Wes S. motions the bills be paid, Bill H. seconds and motion carries.

**VISITOR:**

Joe Yeamans read the letter he had previously emailed to the Board. Joe then described the boundary issues between himself and neighbor, Darla Damerell. A site meeting was held yesterday, September 7, 2011; in attendance were Darla Damerell, Trey Denison and two representatives from the Bureau of Reclamation.

At the Board meeting, Trey illustrated and described the situation using a dry erase board. Mr. Yeamans is within his rights to mark and/or fence along his property line and at the 50' easement boundary.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Wes S. began a general discussion on the Bureau of Reclamation inspection reports (prepared by private engineering firms). Reports are circulating among the Board members, but as of today, have only been read by Dixie and Wes.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

Trey stated that after meeting with Darla Damerell and Joe Yeamans, the Bureau of Reclamation reps looked at the Pitkin Mesa Domestic pipeline project site and agreed concrete lining would be a very good idea.

Daniel Feldman would like to start his bridge crossing once the irrigation water is off for the season.

Trey performed an inspection at the proposed site for the Bradley crossing. Fire Mountain Canal needs to add a clause requiring a gate to prevent unauthorized access across the walkway.

The Bureau of Reclamation has performed the annual dam inspection and nothing unusual was noted, but several maintenance items will be cited in the coming report.

Trey stated that the reservoir level is at ½ (50%) with 8000 acre feet left. Trey estimated approximately 28 days were left in the irrigation season and that shut off would be during the first week of October, around October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Trey suggested that Fire Mountain Canal purchase a digital camera so he would be better able to record issues and events affecting canal operations and maintenance.

Trey met this week with representatives from the railroad at Hubbard Creek. The Union Pacific maintenance supervisor lives in Grand Junction and oversees a large area. The lines of communication are open between the railroad and Fire Mountain Canal and the maintenance crew will try to get the area supervisors to approve the expenditures necessary to repair problem areas.

The Board held a general discussion on tail water issues at Stucker Mesa. Trey attended the Terror Creek annual meeting to discuss tail water responsibility and was not well received. Many of the tailwater ditches have not been maintained in the past.

Wes S. motions that the meeting be adjourned at 10:00 PM, Bill H. seconds and motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Randall W. Fisher  
Secretary-Treasurer