

## **Farmers Union Ditch**

Board Meeting Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Board Present:** Brian Harm, Paul Akins, Lloyd Akins, Tom Foster and Sam Rosti also Jerry Kiser Attorney and Lisa Harm Bookkeeper.

Guests:

### **Martin Koch- Hartwell Corp.**

Marty delivered the 2016 Policy Renewal Proposal and discussed with the board the requested options for expanding the liability limits on the FUD policy. Options were discussed up to an additional ten million dollars of coverage. The board discussed these options and by unanimous vote decided to add 10 million to the policy effective on its renewal date of April 1, 2016.

### **John Tensen-City of Boise**

John shared a map of the Lander Street Sewer Project and asked the board to let the city lay a pipe in the bottom of ditch to under Veterans Park Bridge as a temporary measure to pump sewer for a period of one week at the end of February. The board gave its permission provided a berm was placed in the canal to contain any potential spill and that there the city provide 24/7 on site personnel during this period to ensure that if a spill happened, the response would be swift. With that in agreement, the board unanimously approved the measure.

### **Jerry Kiser Report**

Jerry reported that the Fitzgerald Judgment & Order had finally been recorded after a series of legal procedural changes with the Judge. Jerry will send a copy of the judgment to Idaho Power so we can move forward with moving the power pole obstructing our easement near the Fitzgerald property.

Jerry also reported that the legislative request to change administrative fee charged by irrigation entities is moving forward to change it from the current \$10 to \$50.

The board requested that Jerry write a letter to the owners of the Old Kling property cease and desist their Heat Pump discharge into the canal.

Jerry also reported that investigate work continues to determine and audit the amounts of water presently being diverted for Boise Valley and the amount actually being transported past their head gate by Farmers Union. Investigation is also trying to verify the amount and holders of "free water" being transported. Investigation is frustrated by the lack of responsiveness from Boise Valley, inconsistent record keeping at Boise Valley.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.