

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, January 11, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M.

Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of December 14, 1960 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$73,705.54 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial. Motion carried.

Director Ketscher arrives.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Shiffler that the following resolution be adopted:

Be It Resolved that bonds for the term commencing March 8, 1961 for the officers of the district be fixed as follows:

1. Secretary \$5,000
2. Assessor-Collector \$10,000
3. Treasurer \$5,000

This resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Chase

ABSENT: Orlopp

NOES: None

Resolution No. 196

Re: Appointment in lieu of election

The Secretary read the following feasibility report on Proposed Improvement District No. 4 submitted by Engineer J. F. Sorensen.

(attached)

Resolution No. 197

Re: Setting date for Hearing on Formation of Improvement District No. 4

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Ketscher that the district call for bids for pipe construction for Proposed Improvement District No. 4 to be opened at 11:00 A.M., February 8, 1961. Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Chase

NOES: None

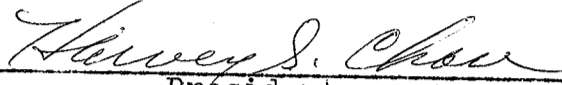
ABSENT: Orlopp

Manuel Silva was present and a discussion was had regarding a proposed inclusion and exclusion of land in the 3A area.

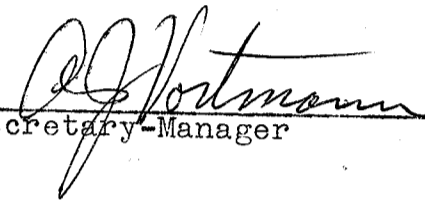
It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial, that the deadline for ordering and paying for water for the 1961 season be February 25, 1961 at 5:00 P.M. Applications made after this date will be subject to availability of water a penalty of 35¢ per acre foot. Water used over and above the original order will be subject to a 35¢ per acre foot penalty. Motion carried.

Leroy Mc Cormick reported on the validation of our amended water service contract.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded Director Dial that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, January 25, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.



President



Secretary-Manager

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Minutes of the previous regular meeting of January 11, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$18,048.67 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Dial, seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding the 1961 water supply.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher that the District order 38,500 acre feet of water for the 1961 season from the U. S. B. R. and to pay one half the purchase price (\$67,375.00) as per contract. Motion adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase

NOES: None

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Orlopp that Public Official Bonds covering Burt J. Duwe, Treasurer and A. J. Vortmann, Assessor-Tax Collector for their terms commencing March 8, 1961 be approved. Motion adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase

NOES: None

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the time for acceptance of Pipe construction bids for Improvement District No. 4 be closed. Motion carried.

Bids were opened and read as follows:

	<u>Schedule I</u>	<u>Schedule II</u>
Reedley Cement Pipe Co.	_____	_____
Van Cleve Construction Co.	_____	_____
Visalia Concrete Pipe Co.	_____	_____

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial that pipe bids for Improvement District No. 4 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 Mc Cormick present.

The Board then proceeded with the Hearing on the Formation of Improvement District No. 4.

Resolution No. 198

Final Order Creating Improvement District
No. 4

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Shiffler that the dead line for cash payments of Improvement District No. 4 Assessments be March 6, 1961 at 5 P.M. After that date 10 year warrants will be issued to cover unpaid assessment. Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase

NOES: None

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that a call for bids be issued for the sale of Improvement District No. 4

warrants

/to opened March 8, 1961 at 11:00 A.M. Warrants to be dated May 1, 1961 bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 7% per annual and to have the approval of the California Districts Securities Commission and the approval of Orrich, Dahlquist, Herrington and Sutcliffe. This motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase

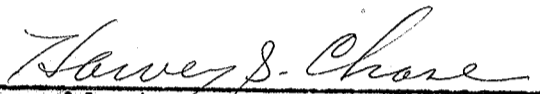
NOES: None

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Shiffler that Visalia Concrete Pipe Co. be awarded the bid for the construction of Improvement District No. 4 and that the President and Secretary be authorize to sign the contract on behalf of the district. This motion was adopted by the following vote:

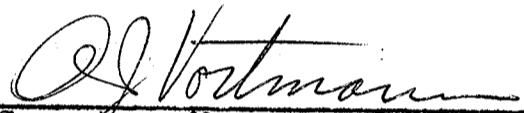
AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase

NOES: None

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial that the meeting be adjourned until Tuesday, February 28, 1961 at 10:00 A.M. Motion carried.



President



Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the adjourned Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, February 28, 1961.

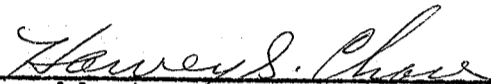
The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

The Secretary reported that the District had received orders for 39,335 acre feet order by the deadline of February 25, 1961.


It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial that the District purchase its full amount of the contract with the U. S. B. R. in the amount of 39,200 acre feet and authorize payment of 50% of the cost in the amount of \$68,600.00. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding the decision of the State Water Rights Board regarding the Sacramento River.

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



President



Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, March 8, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, ~~president~~, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

All officers newly appointed by Tulare County Board of Supervisors as per Section 21661 of the Water Code took office at 10:00 A.M., March 8, 1961.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial that Harvey S. Chase be appointed temporary chairman. Motion carried.

The temporary chairman called for nominations for officers of the Board.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial that Harvey S. Chase be nominated for the office of president and that he be unaniously elected to office. Motion carried unaniously.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial that Oscar Orlopp be nominated for the office of vice president and that he be unaniously elected to office. Motion carried unaniously.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Orlopp that A. J. Vortmann be appointed Secretary of the Board. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Shiffler that Harvey S. Chase, Oscar Orlopp and Secretary A. J. Vortmann be authorized to sign checks. Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of February 8, 1961 and the adjourn meeting of February 28, 1961 were read and approved. ~~Motion~~ carried.

Bills in the total amount of \$75,751.21 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Ketscher. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Orlopp to ^{change} plans of Improvement District No. 4 so as to install a road crossing to serve Cunningham. This in lieu of installation of a pump to serve this property. Motion carried.

It was moved by Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the time for acceptance of bids for Improvement District No. 4 warrants be closed. Motion carried.

The Secretary reported that the total amount of the assessments for Improvement District No. 4 is \$39,653.58 and of this amount the sum of \$5,216.41 has been paid leaving \$34,437.17 to be raised by sale of warrants.

One bid was received and read as follows: Chas. F. & Bessie Clapp - all or none at 4% interest plus a premium of \$2.50 per \$1000.00.

Resolution No. 199

Issuance of Improvement District No. 4

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that a collectors deed be delivered to the District on the following property:

Sale dated March 1, 1958 - Kern-Kendall Valencia Sub. No. 1: Portion of Lot 18 lying North and West of Friant-Kern Canal, Section 22, Township 16 South, Range 25 East, MDB&M.

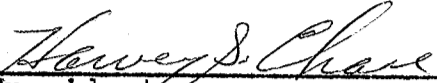
This motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase.

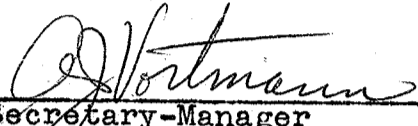
Director Chase reported on the Friant-Water Users Executive Board meeting with U. S. B. R. officials, Ralph Brody and Madera officials

regarding the State Water Rights Decision on the Sacramento River.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, March 22, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.



President



Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, March 15, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president; D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

The attached consent to a special meeting was signed by all directors.

The Secretary reported that the U. S. B. R. has notified the district that our water order of 39,200 A. F. for the 1961 season had been cut to 81% or 31,752. A. F. due to insufficient supplies.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher that the following letter be mailed to all water purchases:

The State of California, Department of Water Resources reports on March 1, 1961 that water conditions in most areas of California will be the most critical since 1931. In the San Joaquin Valley there is a good chance that runoff this year will be comparable to that of 1924, the driest of record. Unless precipitation is far above average for the remainder of the season, serious shortages of irrigation water may be expected throughout most of the State.

Conditions as of March 1, indicate that even with normal precipitation for the remainder of the season, runoff in the San Joaquin Valley during the 1960-61 water year will be only 35 per cent of average, as compared with almost 50 per cent of average last year. This will be the driest year in the area since 1931, and if precipitation is much below average for the remainder of the season, this may be the driest year of record.

On March 14, 1961, The U. S. Bureau of Reclamation advised the following:

"Our forecast of San Joaquin River runoff, based on March 1, data and median precipitation for the rest of the year, indicates we can deliver no Class II water and only 81 per cent of Class I water ordered this year. Your Class I order, therefore, is reduced from 39,200 acre feet to 31,752 acre feet."

Cooperation on the part of all landowners will help in great measure to alleviate this shortage of canal water by:

1. Using existing pumping facilities to the fullest capacities.
2. Reestablish use of disconnect pumps.
3. Conservation in use of water and the elimination of all waste.
4. Serious consideration given to the planting of additional acreage in annual crops.

At the present time your water supply from the district will only be 81% of your February order and consideration should be given to farming acreages that you can adequately take care of with your anticipated water supply.

The District will keep you informed on any changes as they occur, in our water supply.

Yours very truly,

Board of Directors
ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By s/s A. J. Vortmann
A. J. Vortmann, Secretary

Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial to pay Orange Cove News bill in the amount of \$305.21. Motion carried.

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

Harvey S. Chase
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary-Manager

ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
CONSENT TO A SPECIAL MEETING

We, the undersigned, constituting the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, do hereby consent to a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District to be held in the office for the purpose of considering the shortage of water and for such other business that may come before the said Board of Directors.

Dated this 15th day of March, 1961.

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W. H. Shaffer

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, April 12, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president; D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Attorney Leroy McCormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of March 8, 1961 and the Special Meeting of March 15, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$22,672.45 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Ketscher. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial that N. R. A. dues be paid as follows:

Membership for District	\$10.00
Membership for President	5.00
Membership for Vice President	5.00
Membership for Secretary	5.00

Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Ketscher that a call for gasoline bids be issued to be opened May 10, 1961 at 11:00 A.M. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding A. C. Villar's request to install pipe in 11B Ditch to serve his property. It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Shiffler, that an agreement be prepared to cover this work at A. C. Villar's expense, authorize the President and Secretary to sign on behalf of the district, Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding J. F. Sorensen's request for service out to Improvement District No. 7 to land purchased from U. S. B. R. This land is within the O. C. I. D. boundaries but not in I. D. 7 boundaries.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Shiffler that J. F. Sorensen request be granted and that a rental service agreement be issued to cover use of I. D. 7 facilities to serve lands purchase from U. S. B. R. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial, that the Collectors Deed, to the following described, property was accepted by the Board of Directors:

Kern-Kendall Valencia Sub. No. 1: Portion of Lot 18 lying North and West of Friant-Kern Canal, Section 22, Township 16 South, Range 25 East, MDB&M.

Motion carried.

Director Orlopp arrived.

The Secretary reported that the U. S. B. R. has notified the district that our water order of 39,200 acre feet for the 1961 season has been cut to 76% or 29,792 acre feet due to insufficient supplies. Additional cuts will be made if we do not have normal rainfall from April 1, 1961 on.

The Secretary was instructed to send a letter to all water users advising them of the water status. The following was mailed to all water users:

ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Orange Cove, California
April 13, 1961

To Water Users:

The Bureau of Reclamation has advised us on April 12, 1961 that the District's water supply has been cut an additional 5% due to lack of normal rain fall during March.

As of April 12th, 1961 your water supply from the District will only be 76% of your February order.

It is important to note that additional cuts in our water supply will be made if below average rainfall occurs in the next two months.

We wish again to stress the seriousness of this situation and ask for the wholehearted cooperation of all land-owners to help alleviate this shortage by:

1. Using existing pumping facilities to the fullest extent including, where possible, service to adjacent landowners. (We note that there are many good wells in the district that could be utilized in this way with a nominal cost of hooking up.)

2. Reestablish use of disconnected pumps.

The District will keep you informed on any additional changes in our water supply.

Yours very truly,

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By s/s A. J. Vortmann
A. J. Vortmann, Secretary

A discuss was had regarding ways and means of ordering water (by landowners) in the future in order to balance our supply to land-owners from our surface and underground supplies.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, April 26, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Hewitt S. Chase
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, May 10, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president; D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of April 12, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$27,433.87 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher. Motion carried.

The Secretary read R. E. Mook's letter of April 15, 1961 regarding the San Joaquin River Case.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial that the time for acceptance of gasoline bids be closed. Motion carried.

Bids were opened and read as follows:

Union Oil	.223
Standard Oil	.2129
Tidewater	.2089
Mobil	.2135

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Dial that Tidewater bid be accepted and that A. J. Vortmann be authorized to sign a one year contract. Motion carried.

The Secretary advised that the U. S. B. R. reports that effective at once there is another 10% cut in water supply. This cut must be taken on water scheduled prior to September 1st.

A discussion was had regarding methods of handling the water supply. The following letter was to be mailed to all water users:

TO WATER USERS:

The Bureau of Reclamation had advised us on May 10, 1961 that the District's water supply for 1961 has been cut an additional 10% due to the lack of normal rainfall during the month of April.

As of May 10, 1961 your water supply from the District will only be 66% of your February, 1961 order.

Due to this critical shortage, our water from the canal is available in the following quantities by months:

Used prior to May 1st	3,828	Acre	Feet
Available May	2,465	"	"
June	4,107	"	"
July	4,960	"	"
August	4,842	"	"
September	3,565	"	"
October	1,620	"	"
November	485	"	"
Total (66% of 39,200 A.F.)	25,872	"	"

The Bureau of Reclamation states: "Our present forecast continues to show that August will be the critical month for deliveries. Therefore, no water presently scheduled for delivery during September-November period may be rescheduled for delivery prior to September, 1961."

In order not to exceed our monthly schedules, it is necessary to place all water users on a schedule by months.

Month	Percent of 66% of your Original Order allowed to be used	Accumulated Total
March & April	15%	15%
May	9	24
June	16	40
July	19	59
August	19	78
September	14	92
October	6	98
November	2	100

In order to adjust to this schedule, water users will be allowed to use up to 40% of their allotment prior to July.

After July 1st the maximum you will be entitled to cannot exceed the accumulated total each month.

Example: If your order in February, 1961 was 100 acre feet, as of this date you have only 66 acre feet for the season. This water is scheduled as follows:

			Acre Feet	Accumulated Totals		
March & April	15%	of 66	Acre Feet	9.90		
May	9	" "	" "	5.94	15.84	Acre Feet
June	16	" "	" "	10.56	26.40	" "
July	19	" "	" "	12.54	38.94	" "
August	19	" "	" "	12.54	51.48	" "
September	14	" "	" "	9.24	60.72	" "
October	6	" "	" "	3.96	64.68	" "
November	2	" "	" "	1.32	66.00	" "

If at the end of any month you have not used all of your entitlement, you will be allowed to use the unused portion in the next succeeding month but in no event will you be allowed to use more than your accumulated allotment.

Yours very truly,

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By ss A. J. Vortmann
A. J. Vortmann, Secretary

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Orlopp that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, April 17, 1961 at 10:00 A.M.
Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, May 17, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were: Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Also present were approximate 25 cotton growers who discussed their problems resulting from the district's policy necessitated by the shortages in water supplies from the U. S. B. R.

The Secretary reported on the Friant Water Users Managers meeting with U. S. B. R. officials at Fresno on May 15, 1961.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial that 34% of 1961 Water Deposit be refunded when requested to do so by landowner. Motion carried.

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

Harvey S. Chase
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, June 14, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president; D. W. Ketscher, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of May 10, 1961 and the adjourned regular meeting of May 17, 1961 were read and approved.


Bills in the total amount of \$49,147.63 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Dial, seconded by Director Orlopp. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Dial to authorize payments to Rancho Acequia in the amount of \$1,135.00 and to Leroy J. Goodenough in the amount of \$1,135.00 for facilities built in advance for Improvement District No. 4 upon signing of a release agreement. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Ketscher that a call for bids be issued for two 1/2 ton pick up trucks to be opened Wednesday, July 12, 1961 at 11:00 A.M. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding policy for ordering water for the 1962 season.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, June 28, 1961 at 10:00 A.M. Motion carried.


President


Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, July 12, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of June 14, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$19,426.87 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Ketscher. Motion carried.

The Secretary read a letter from the City of Orange Cove dated June 19, 1961 relative to the possible purchase of property adjacent to the U. S. B. R. office.

The Secretary was instructed to discuss this matter with the City of Orange Cove officials.

Mr. Harry L. Barrell, Santa Fe Railroad representative was present and discussed the problem of control of Western Pacific Railroad Co. and requested the district's support.

Resolution # 200

Application of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company for authority under Section 5 (2) of the Interstate Commerce Act to acquire control of the Western Pacific Railroad Company

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the time for acceptance of bids for two 1/2 ton pickup trucks be closed. Motion carried.

Bids were opened and read as follows:

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Less Turn Ins</u>	<u>Net Price</u>
Martins (Chevrolet)	\$ 3,948.32	1,050.00	2,898.32
Prinz & Schul (Ford)	3,805.62	1,270.00	2,535.62
Hughes (Ford)	3,768.38	1,000.00	2,768.38
Jackson's (International)	3,563.39	1,200.00	2,363.39
Enns (G. M. C.)	4,866.68	1,775.00	3,091.68

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Dial that pickup bids be taken under advisement. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp to authorize J. W. Howorth and A. J. Vortmann to purchase International Pickups from Jackson's if equipment meet their approval. Motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding the water schedule.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial to purchase a Monroe electric adding machine and approved payment in the amount of \$310.96 subject to the return of check # 1311 dated June 14, 1961 in the amount of \$156.00 for cancellation. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler, that Harvey S. Chase be authorized to purchase radio equipment for District. This equipment to include 6 mobile units and base station.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday July 26, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase
 President

A. J. Vortmann
 Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, August 9, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Leroy McCormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of July 12, 1961 were read and approved.

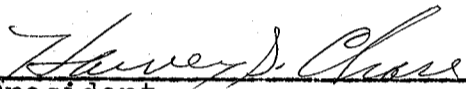
Bills in the total amount of \$12,561.48 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Ketscher that on Wednesday, September 13, 1961 at 11:00 A.M. the Board will act as a Board of Equalization to equalize assessments for 1961-62 and that legal advertisement be made as prescribed by law. Motion carried.

Talmon Richert was present and discussed the high water table on his property near Turn Out 4. It was suggested that Mr. Richert write to the U. S. B. R. regarding this problem.

The Secretary was instructed to obtain reservation for the I. D. A. fall meeting to be held in Palm Springs, December 6, 7, 8.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, August 23, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.



President



Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, September 13, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Leroy McCormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of August 9, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$20,556.74 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Dial. Motion carried.

The Secretary reported that the U.S.B.R. advised by letter dated September 7, 1961 that a restoration of 1,163 acre feet had been made.

A discussion was had regarding the 1961 water supply. The Secretary reported that the district had a surplus of approximately 3,000 acre feet and that 500 acre feet had been sold to Ivanhoe Irrigation District.

It was moved by the Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that 2,000 acre feet of surplus 1961 water be sold to Southern San Joaquin Municipal Utility District. Motion carried.

The Secretary reported that Frank Abe requested release of line extension from N. E. corner of Munoz property to Abe 40 acres NE corner. This line was installed and paid for by Abe and Munoz. Abe had purchased Munoz property.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Shiffler that line extension of I. D. 9 facilities paid for by Abe and Munoz be released to Frank Abe as far as the NE corner of Munoz property upon signing of a release agreement. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Orlopp that Harold Collins request to removed a Improvement District No. 8 reservoir located at the NE corner of Lot 34, Section 20-15-25. This reservoir to be removed at Mr. Collins expense. Motion carried.

Mr. Chase and Mr. Vortmann were instructed to attend California Water Council meeting in Fresno, September 29, 1961.

The meeting was adjourned for the purpose of holding the Board of Equalization meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 A.M. and the Board proceeded to act as a Board of Equalization to equalize assessments for 1961-62.

Resolution No. 201

Equalizing 1961-62 Assessments

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher that the Board of Equalization be adjourned. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened.

Resolution No. 202

Adopting 1961-62 Budget

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

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

It was moved by Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Ketscher that Improvement District No. 3B/4B Maintenance Funds on hand as of January 1, 1961 be split between Improvement District 3B and Improvement District 4 on the basis of assessed valuation which amounts to \$_____ to be credited to Improvement District 4.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

Resolution No. 203

Adopting 1961-62 Improvement District Budgets

It was moved by Director Ketscher, seconded by Director Dial that the following resolution be adopted:

Regarding the 10th payment assessment of Improvement Districts Nos. 3A, 3B/4B, 5B, 7, 8 and 13. Since there are sufficient funds available for the 10th payment of both interest and principal (due and payable January 1, 1962) for all said improvement districts,

Therefore Be It Resolved that the 10th assessments for said improvement districts 3A, 3B/4B, 5B, 7, 8 and 13 be waived.

This resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Ketscher, Shiffler, Dial, Orlopp, Chase
 NOES: None
 ABSNET: None

Resolution No. 204

Levying 1961-62 Assessment

Regarding use of 1961 water, due to the short supply and resultant reduction in orders, it was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Orlopp that penalties for under use of water ordered be waived. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, September 27, 1961 at 2:00 P.M.

Harvey S. Chase
 President

J. J. Fortmann
 Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, October 11, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Leroy McCormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of September 13, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$11,408.86 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler. Motion carried.

The Secretary read a letter from the U.S.B.R. dated September 25, 1961 regarding Recordable Contracts.

A discussion was had regarding method of ordering water, allocations in event of insufficient supplies and limits on amounts ordered.

A discussion relative to the action of the U.S.B.R. to contract for 2,658 acre feet of Class I water to bring the total amount under contract to 800,000 acre feet of Class I water.

Resolution No. 205

(see above)

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

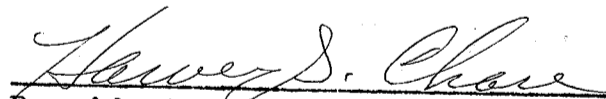
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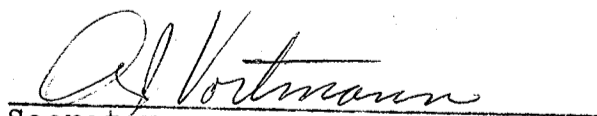
Director Chase reported on the Friant Water Users meeting of September 28, the California Water Council meeting of September 29 and the State Chamber of Commerce meeting of October 6.

The Secretary reported on the meeting of the Fresno County Board of Supervisors on October 9, regarding the proposed position of County Coordinator of Natural Resources. At that time the Board of Supervisors said they had no intentions at the time to consider formation of a County Water District.

A discussion was had regarding plans and costs submitted by J. F. Sorensen for proposed pipe system for 3B. Due to increased interest in 2B area it was decided to obtain of cost estimate for a pipe system for 2B area.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday October 25, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.


President


Secretary

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District, November 8, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were Directors: Harvey S. Chase, president, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Lery Mc Cormick and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of October 11, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$12,007.99 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial. Motion carried.

Director D. W. Ketscher arrives.

A discussion was had regarding the water status.

The Secretary noted that at the present rate of use we would need approximately 50 acre feet of water to complete the season in the event of no rain. It was agreed to obtain this amount out of our 1962 allocation if needed.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial that the following revision of "Rules and Regulations for Water Deliveries" be adopted:

1. Applications for water must be made prior to February 25th each year by filing with the District a form (Application for Water).
2. All charges covered by the application must be paid in advances when filing application.
3. Applications made after the February 25th deadline will be subject to availability of water and to penalties as determined by the Board of Directors.
4. No application will be accepted unless all outstanding payments due the District for water previously delivered and/or for outstanding balances due for temporary systems have been paid.
5. Water applications filed with the District by persons other than the property owner shall be countersigned, giving authorization to the applicant to use water and assuming responsibility for any unpaid water bills.
6. All lands which are in Improvement Districts which cost of such improvements have been financed by warrants are subject to Facilities Use Charges and no water can be delivered through the facilities provided by the Improvement District until all facilities use charges due have been paid.
7. In the event any of the water ordered is delivered or deliverable through temporary facilities operated, owned or controlled by the District, the use of said temporary facilities may be terminated at the pleasure of the District.
8. When the demand for water is greater than the available supply, the water shall be distributed equitably among those who have filed an application in accordance with paragraph 1 by the following method:

California State Water Code Section 22250 which reads in part as follows: All water distributed by districts for irrigation purposes shall be apportioned ratably to each landowner upon the basis of the ratio which the last assessment against his land for district purposes bears to the whole sum assessed in the district for district purposes.

9. Any landowner may assign for use within the District his right to the whole or any portion of the water apportioned to him pursuant to Section 22250.

10. Transfer of Water. Any landowner may transfer all or part of his water order by completing a transfer form and filing with the district office. The district assumes no responsibility for collection of monies involved in the cost of water transferred.
11. Orders for turn on, turn off, increase or decrease of water shall be made at the District Office. Such orders shall be made before 8:00 A. M. and 24 hours prior to the day scheduled for receiving or turning off water. No water orders will be accepted at the District Office on Sunday and no changes will be made on Sunday. A water user desiring water for Monday must place his order at the District Office on Saturday before 8:00 A. M.

The District Office phone is MARKET 6-4461 open at 7:00 A. M.

For the convenience of landowners in Orosi area, orders may be placed with the Ditchtender at LAWrence 8-3326 between 7:00 A. M. and 8:00 A. M. only, Monday through Saturday.

For the convenience of landowners in Navelencia area, orders may be placed with the Ditchtender at MELrose 8-6594 between 7:00 A. M. and 8:00 A. M. only, Monday through Saturday.

12. After water has been turned on it shall run continuously day and night until ordered off and no turn on will be made for less than a 24 hour period. The 24 hour notice for water to be turned off may be waived in case of emergency.
13. On the day the order is put into effect, the ditchtender will turn on or off as directed, at the time he passes the point of delivery on his regular run for that day. Orders for a certain hour cannot be accepted but the ditchtender will cooperate with user as far as possible and still maintain efficient operation of the system.
14. A change of water from one delivery point to another may be made without a 24 hour notice provided such change is requested to be made during the ditchtenders' regular run for that day.
15. No other person except an employee of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, unless otherwise designated, shall operate any of the facilities. Tampering with or changing the adjustment of any pump or valve is strictly prohibited. Any interference with facilities under the control of the district is a penal offense.
16. The District assumes no responsibility for the bacterial quality of water delivered. This water is not intended for human consumption.
17. There may occur at times a shortage during any year in the quantity of water available for furnishing to the district by the United States pursuant to our contract through and by means of the Project. In no event shall any liability accrue against the Orange Cove Irrigation District or any of its officers, agents or employees for any damages, direct or indirect, arising from a shortage on account of errors in operation, drought or unavoidable causes.

Motion carried.

The Secretary reported that the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County have proposed the formation of a County Water District.

Director Chase reported that all Irrigation and Water Districts will, in the future, have a meeting with the Supervisors to discuss this matter.

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

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M. with Attorney Leroy Mc Cormick absent.

Director Chase reported on the meeting with Congressman Sisk regarding the matter of the U.S.B.R. intention to execute additional contracts for 2,650 acre feet of Class I water.

A discussion was had regarding pipeline systems for 2B and 3B areas. These matters were to be referred to the Engineer for further detail.

It was moved by Director Dial, seconded by Director Ketscher that the following wage increase be made effective November 1, 1961:

A. J. Vortmann	\$50.00 per month
J. W. Howorth	40.00 per month
M. M. Gibson	16.00 per month
Ditchtenders.	25.00 per month
Hourly employees - Repairmen and Ditchtenders in off season, 10¢ per hour increase.	

Motion carried.

The Secretary reported that the employees health insurance plan with CPS Fresno Foundation has been cancelled. Employees have a choice between regular CPS or CPS affiliated with IDA.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Dial that the Irrigation District will to continue to pay one-half of the employees C P S plan cost on which ever plan they choose. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Ketscher that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday November 22, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary-Manager

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District, December 13, 1961.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. Officers present were: Directors Harvey S. Chase, president, D. W. Ketscher, H. N. Shiffler, Denzil E. Dial, Oscar Orlopp, Attorney Robert E. Mook and Secretary-Manager A. J. Vortmann.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of November 8, 1961 were read and approved.

Bills in the total amount of \$9,491.84 were read, approved and ordered paid by the motion of Director Shiffler, seconded by Director Dial. Motion Carried.

The Secretary reported that in order to complete the 1961 water deliveries it was necessary to use 71 acre feet of our 1962 contractual supply.

Resolution # 206

Re: Appointment to State Water Rights Board

A discussion was had regarding proposed pipe systems for 2B and 3B areas. It was decided to refer plans back to the Engineer for further planning on these systems in an effort to reduce the cost of 2B area.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the Secretary be authorized to pay Improvement District Warrants and Interest due January 1, 1962 if funds are insufficient to make complete payments. Motion carried.

It was moved by Director Orlopp, seconded by Director Shiffler that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, December 27, 1961 at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Harvey S. Chase
President

A. J. Vortmann
Secretary-Manager