

May 2, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of DeWeese-Dye Ditch and Reservoir Company was called to order by Ron Dorn at the Golden Age Center at 5:00 p.m. Board members Dick Poyner, Honey Moschetti, Jeff Boccaccio, and Joe Brunetto were in attendance. Also present was Ditch Superintendent Dave Luscomb.

The minutes from the April, 2011 meeting, were read, and Honey Moschetti moved to accept them as printed. Joe Brunetto seconded, and the motion carried.

Bills for the month were presented to the Board. Honey Moschetti made a motion to pay all, Dick Poyner seconded and all voted in favor.

Ron Dorn updated the Board on the progress of the proposed bridges for Grape Creek crossings. The BLM had requested an estimate for abandonment costs should DeWeese Ditch and Reservoir Company cease to exist. The salvage value of the scrap iron in the bridges plus an additional \$500.00 was the offering to BLM. There had been no feedback from BLM as of the time of the meeting.

Today was the first day for the season of running water in DeWeese Ditch.

On the subject of ditch maintenance, Dick Poyner reported that the pipe at the Phillips residence had not been installed. Susan Vines on Grape Creek has successfully tapped into the ditch.

In other miscellaneous, Dick had spoken to the lady on Grand Ave. who was denying access to the ditch on her property. Dick also reported that the steel measurement weir at the dam had been vandalized. A grate in the Odd Fellows cemetery had been stolen.

Ron Dorn stated that the payback on winter storage water was completed the last day of April.

Mrs. Schmoyer who was in attendance at the meeting, requested that the steel bar be removed from her head gate box on Cedar. Dick Poyner explained that having the bar in place gave her more water, but that it would be removed if she liked. She changed her mind.

Ron Dorn was recently alerted that the proposal for wilderness designation on Grape Creek is being resurrected. Dianna DeGette plans to introduce a bill in the legislature this session.

The ditch company is reading its own charts to measure water flow, since the water commissioner does not have the time to do it. Dick Poyner stated that a data reader could be installed at an approximate cost of \$1900.

The BLM contacted Ron Dorn to ask if they could plant Cottonwoods along the shore of Lake DeWeese. There was some discussion, and the general consensus was that it would not be a good idea due to the possible debris in years to come. Cottonwoods utilize a large volume of water, also.

The Company applied for 300 acre feet of project water, according to Ron Dorn. The BLM will reimburse the Ditch Company for 100 acre feet, and the added 200 acre feet will cost approximately \$1600.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Ormsby  
Secretary/Treasurer