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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON JANUARY 25th, 1940.

A Special meeting of the Board of Directors of Woods Irrigation Company was held at the office of the Corporation, 351 Wilhoit Building, Stockton, California, on the 25th day of January, 1940, at the hour of 2:30 P. M. President Lloyd Woods, Jr. was in the chair. Secretary Gilbert L. Jones was present, and Directors Mae Woods and Lorin C. Allen were present.

A discussion was had by the Board of the advisability of the elimination from the operation of the Company of lands not now irrigated by it and irrigated from other sources, such as the Woods, Robinson and Vasquez interests. The Board was of the opinion that such lands should be excluded from Company operations, and ultimately should be completely excluded from contract rights or otherwise with this Company, except as to such portions thereof as drain through the drainage system of this Company, as to which action to formally accomplish that purpose would be a matter of future consideration.

Discussion was had relative to the inclusion of the so-called "Thompson Ranch" of about 197 acres in the northeast quarter of section 22 and the northwest quarter of section 23, Township 1 North, Range 5 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian. After which discussion the following Resolution was moved, seconded and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, certain lands originally a part of the System of this Company have been excluded from its operation, and amounted to more than two hundred acres; and,

WHEREAS, it appears that irrigation water can be furnished by existing works of this Company to the so-called "Thompson Ranch" of approximately 197 acres in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 22 and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 23, T. 1 S., R. 5 E.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that if and when proper application be made therefor by the owner of said land for inclusion in the System of the Company, and pays to this Company a sum equal

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to \$10.00 per acre for each acre included, then the President and Secretary be, and they are hereby, authorized to execute such contracts, agreements or documents necessary to accomplish that purpose and subject said lands to the same obligations and give it the same rights as if originally included in the Contract between Woods Irrigation Company and E. W. S. Woods, dated the 29th of September, 1911, with the exception and provision that this Company shall only be obligated to furnish irrigation water to the East Side of the Cross levee bordering said lands on the East and at such height and volume as can be accomplished by existing works, ditches and pumps, and without increasing the height of water in any ditches, or any widening or enlarging of ditches, or new ditch construction to be paid for by the owners of the incoming lands.

The Board then discussed the matter of Rules and Regulations for the operation of the Company, with particular consideration to the matters of dispute that had previously arisen, whereupon it was moved, seconded and regularly passed that the following Rules and Regulations should go into force and effect commencing with the irrigation season of 1940.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF WOODS IRRIGATION CO.

Rule 1. Priority of water users to immediate use, where there are conflicting demands, shall be determined by the priority of written demands of users, which demands shall specify a date on which, or as soon thereafter as the Company can furnish it, the user will take water. If user fails to take water when offered on or after such date he loses his priority.

Rule 2. Where water assessments on lands are delinquent no further irrigation water will be furnished to said lands until the delinquency has been paid and satisfactory adjustment made with the Company.

Rule 3. No water will be furnished for irrigation purposes between September 15th of one year and January 1st of the succeeding year, except and unless an additional charge therefor be paid in advance and at the time of demanding the water, which said charge shall be thirty (30) cents per hour for the time a pump must be operated to furnish the water demanded. The estimate of the ditch tender in that regard shall govern, and if there be any over-payment it will be returned to the water user and any deficit shall be immediately payable upon completion of the irrigation.

Rule 4. No water shall be furnished by the Company for irrigation purposes, nor will any water be maintained in any irrigation ditches between January 1st and April 15th of each year, unless by special permission of the Board of Directors.

Rule 5. All headgates in Company ditches shall be so constructed as to have minimum measurements as follows:

Four feet wide, inside measurement.

Bottom of the gate 12 to 18 inches lower than the average level of the lands to be irrigated by said gate.

Gate to be at least eight feet long and strong enough to support the weight of ditch cleaning machinery moving along the top of the levee.

Where headgates do not conform to this rule the Company may reconstruct the same to conform hereto and according to the Company's specifications, and the cost and expense thereof shall be charged to the land to be furnished with irrigation water from such gate.

Rule 6. No drainage water shall be permitted to drain direct into a main Company drain, unless the outlet into the drain be boxed so that the water draining shall not wash, or fall upon, the banks of the drainage ditch. The expense of cleaning and removal of earth washed into a drain, through the failure of a land owner to properly maintain his drainage, or occasioned by negligent practices, shall be charged to and paid by the owner of the land, or persons responsible for the payment of water charges upon the land from which the earth was deposited into the main drain.

Rule 7. Company irrigation ditches or main irrigation ditches shall be those which serve forty acres of land or more, and shall be maintained by the Company.

Rule 8. Company drainage ditches or main drains are those serving more than one land owner, or 80 acres or more, and shall be maintained by the Company.

Rule 9. No one, except Company employees, or those specially authorized by Company employees, shall handle, manipulate, alter, control or change any works, ditches, gates, drops or boards belonging to the Company, or on main drainage or irrigation ditches. Where any unauthorized interference occurs the property benefiting by such change, or making use of the condition as changed, will be deemed responsible for any damage resulting therefrom. Said lands will also be deprived of the next irrigation, and if the damage occasioned be not paid for forthwith said lands will receive no further irrigation until it is paid.

Rule 10. The ditch banks of the main ditches shall be kept smooth and in a condition to permit the passage of ditch cleaning equipment on both sides of the ditches, and be kept free from weeds and growth by discing or other proper measures. Upon the failure of the occupant of such lands to keep and maintain the ditch banks in such condition Company shall maintain such ditch banks in proper condition and the charge and expense thereof shall be paid by the land owner, and shall be charged as the ordinary cost of irrigation and drainage.

Rule 11. Seasonal irrigation shall be deemed to be four irrigations per season. If more irrigations be desired, or requested,

additional irrigation will be charged for at the rate of thirty cents (30¢) per hour for the time water is actually diverted from the main ditch.

Rule 12. Where any headgates are installed, or where headgates are altered or repaired, the same shall be constructed or repaired by the Company, or under Company's supervision, and any cost chargeable, or incident to, such work shall be charged and paid for in the same manner as other irrigation and drainage costs.

Rule 13. If and when the water in Middle River, at the point of the diversion of water therefrom, by the Company, has a salinity content which the Board of Directors of this Company deem detrimental to lands or crops, said Company may, by resolution of said Board of Directors, cease all irrigation, to be resumed only when said Board of Directors determine the salinity content has dropped to a point where it no longer constitutes a danger or hazard to the land, and in this the determination of the Board of Directors shall be final.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted.

RESOLVED, that the law firm of Jones and Quinn, be employed as attorneys for this Corporation, and their compensation be fixed at Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) per month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Gilbert L. Jones, be hereby appointed Secretary of this Corporation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following persons be employed by this Corporation in their respective capacities, their duties to commence as of January 1st, 1940, their salaries to be the same as hereinafter set forth:

Lorin C. Allen	\$50.00	per month
Lloyd Woods Jr.	50.00	" "
Lottie Hahn	30.00	" "

There being no further business before the meeting, the same was adjourned.

Secretary