Cottonwood Water Users
Profit & Loss Budget Overview
January through December 2025

	Jan - Dec 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Taxing district funds	7,765.78
Total Income	7,765.78
Expense	
County taxing fees	9.00
Professional Fees	400.00
Watermaster Fee	7,000.00
Total Expense	7,409.00
Net Ordinary Income	356.78
Net Income	**356.78**

BIG COTTONWOOD WATER USERS
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2025
10:00 a.m.
OAKLEY CANAL COMPANY

PRESENT:
Tyler Cranney
Jared Mitton
Nate Pickett

NOT PRESENT:
Russell Patterson
Arden Cranney.

OTHERS PRESENT:
Heidi Lloyd
Chantry Whittle
James Mullen
Chance Smith
David Pickett
Adam Taylor (Patterson)
Slade Beck (Patterson)
Skylar Farnsworth (F&G)
Lincoln Pickett
Will Cranney

I. Jared Mitton, President called the annual meeting of the Cottonwood Water Users to order at 10:06 a.m., on January 21, 2025. The meeting was held at the Oakley Canal Company Office located at 100 West Elm St. Oakley, Idaho.

II. Appointment of Secretary: David Pickett made a motion to appoint Heidi Lloyd as secretary, Tyler Cranney seconded the motion, All agreed, motion carried.

III. Minutes: The minutes of the 2024 Annual Meeting were read individually. Tyler Cranney made the motion to approve the minutes. Nate Pickett seconded the motion. All approved.

IV. Election/reappointment of officers:

1. David Pickett made a motion to retain the officers and board of advisors for another year, Lincoln Pickett seconded the motion, all approved, motion carried.
   The officers are: Jared Mitton – President
   Tyler Cranney - Secretary/Treasurer.
   The board of advisors is as follows:
   Arden Cranney
   Nathan Pickett
   Russell Patterson- Triple Ace

2. Nate Pickett made a motion to retain the services of Oakley Canal Company for another year with James Mullen as Watermaster. Tyler Cranney seconded the motion, all agreed, motion carried.

V. Financial Report: The board reviewed the financial reports. As of December 31, 2024, there was $15,750.63 in the checking account. The Oakley Canal Company's 2025 Watermaster fee is $7000; the secretarial fee is $400.00. Tyler Cranney made a motion to pay the bills, David Pickett seconded the motion, all agreed, motion carried.

VI. Budget: Tyler Cranney made a motion to approve the budget for 2025. Cottonwood will continue to get billed through the county with a 1% interest rate per month on late payments. Adam Taylor seconded the motion, all agreed, motion carried.

VII. Watermaster's Report: James Mullen gave the Watermaster's report.
The 2025 Snow level at Bostetter is: 39" snow depth – 11.3" water equivalency
2024: 46" snow depth - 12.5" water equivalency
Reservoir Level is 86.9 or 29,872 acre feet
Stream flows: Trapper: 12.0 or (600") Goose: 38.0 or (1900")

VIII. Old Business:

1. James Mullen reported that the west ditch needs burned this year. James Mullen said that it really needs burned to clear all the weeds out. David Pickett suggested looking into some liability insurance. James Mullen suggested talking to the Oakley Canal Company board about adding Cottonwood and Birch Creek Irrigation Districts under their umbrella. All agreed with checking into that and moving forward with getting some insurance. Jared Mitton said that if they set a date to burn he can have a fire truck out there as a precaution.

2. Tyler Cranney stated that for the 2024 season it is Picketts turn to burn the ditch.

IX. New Business:

1. Catwalk – James Mullen reported that there is one catwalk that needs to be replaced at the Cranney / 3 Aces split, and another one built. The cost is $2800 for each catwalk. After little discussion, all agreed to the repairs.

2. Cement Ditch – James Mullen requested that Cranney's and Pickett's go look at the cement ditch and see what repairs need done.

3. David Pickett stated that for the 2025 season it is Cranney's turn to burn the ditch.

4. Cement Box at Flats – James Mullen reported that the cement box at the flats needs cleaned out. Tyler Cranney said they can send some guys out there. David Pickett said it might require a backhoe.

5. Clean Diversions – James Mullen reported both diversions need cleaned with an excavator. Skylar Farnsworth (F&G) said to go ahead and clean the west side also.

6. Cleaning and Maintenance at West Ditch – James Mullen reported that there will be light cleaning this year in the west ditch and he still needs to bill for last years cleaning.

7. Tyler Cranney reported that he talked to David Mabey from NRCS about piping the cement ditch that was built in 1973. David Maybe told Tyler Cranney that Cottonwood might not qualify as Cottonwood has short water seasons. Tyler Cranney reported that the IDWR infrastructure grant application period is in August.

The next meeting was scheduled for 10:00am, Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at the Canal office.

David Pickett made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Slade Beck seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 am.

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President

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Secretary/Treasurer