



IWA QUARTERLY

April, 1984

Annual Meeting

IWA's annual membership meeting was held April 9th in the Sanibel Community Center. After reports from the President, Treasurer and General Manager, President Scheiter opened the meeting for questions and comments from attending members. A unanimous ballot was cast for the slate of director candidates named by the nominating committee. These are Richard Wilson, C. H. Brooks and John Cook.

Following the meeting new IWA officers were chosen: President, William Angst; Vice President, C. H. Brooks; Secretary, Richard Wilson; Treasurer, John Cook and Director, Milton Scheiter.

Water Production Ups and Downs

After seventeen years of steadily increased water production levels IWA experienced its first "dip" in 1983. The 655 million gallons produced last year was about three percent less than the '82 figure. A wet spring, fewer visitors, and water-saving efforts by IWA and its members probably contributed to this fact.

1984, however, is off to a booming start. A new record daily pumpage of 3.2 million gallons was recorded on April 21. More important is a "plateau" of record production for the whole month of April. Partly as a response IWA advanced its E.D. upgrading by ordering an eighth new water treatment bank ahead of schedule, and it will be in service in May.

Emergency Links Forged

Experience has shown that communication is vital to utility operations during emergencies. Three important new radio links are being set up now: a new transmitter/receiver beamed at the Lee County Utility's plant at Olga has been installed in the IWA operations office, primarily for post disaster aid; IWA's regular operating frequency is being added to the Sanibel Police Department dispatcher's console; the Sanibel Emergency Operation Center will contain a two-way "hurricane-proof" radio compatible with IWA's emergency radio frequency.

IWA Conducts Chlorine Class

There are many users of pure chlorine gas on our islands. This highly irritating, corrosive and toxic gas is used to purify water in swimming pools and in our water supply. IWA personnel are highly trained in the care and handling of the steel cylinders which hold chlorine gas compressed into its liquid state, and they have the equipment and knowledge to make emergency repairs when needed.

A class in emergency procedures was recently held at the Sanibel pool. IWA plant operators taught both public and private pool operators how to handle potentially dangerous chlorine gas leaks. IWA will repeat the class for other interested

In-house Water Quality Analysis

A new computer controlled water quality analyzer (spectrophotometer) was installed in IWA's laboratory during April. Operation of the R.O. and E.D. plants calls for careful monitoring of incoming well water, and this device will give operators quicker test results at a lower cost than did the past practice of sending samples to outside consulting labs. Several governmentally required tests for drinking water will, however, continue to be done by certified outside labs.

IWA testing will also serve to monitor outside lab performance. It will help to avoid occurrences such as a recent faulty consulting lab analysis which caused a federal agency to believe erroneously that IWA's brine discharge quality was in violation of its regulations, an incident which required considerable time and effort to rectify.

Information Policy on IWA Accounts

The Island Water Association, Inc. is a private member-owned corporation. In the interest of privacy and security IWA's chosen representatives have placed restrictions on the inspection of its members' account records by other parties. Because of a request from a Lee County governmental agency a change in these regulations was recently made by IWA. Members now desiring to allow inspection of their own IWA account record by other parties may grant permission in writing for a specific party or agency to do so.

FINANCIAL: These figures represent the unaudited accounts as of March 31, 1984.

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>THREE MONTHS OF</u>	
	<u>1984 Budget</u>	<u>Actual Receipts</u>
Water Sales	\$ 633,750	\$ 681,825
Interest	12,500	15,506
Other Receipts	3,750	2,288
Connection Fees	100,000	90,228
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>	\$ 750,000	\$ 789,847
Carryover (less reserves)	288,707	288,707
<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>	\$ 1,038,707	\$ 1,078,554

<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>THREE MONTHS OF</u>	
	<u>1984 Budget</u>	<u>Actual Disbursements</u>
Wages and Benefits	\$ 205,125	\$ 200,657
Professional Fees	13,650	17,006
Electricity	150,000	134,696
Telephone	3,750	4,125
O & M Service & Supply	102,850	77,822
Motor Fuels	3,125	2,643
Insurance	12,450	421
Postal Charges	3,000	4,117
Travel, Training, Conferences	4,875	3,695
Debt Repayments (Farmers Home Admin.)	75,117	75,117
Capital Expenditures	182,850	71,539
<u>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</u>	\$ 756,792	\$ 591,838
<u>EXCESS OF FUNDS OVER DISBURSEMENTS</u>	\$ 281,915	\$ 486,716

Sincerely,

THE ISLAND WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.

William D. Angst

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