

Absentee: Block 24

Minutes of May 26 and May 31 were approved as read.

COMMUNICATION REVIEWED: Letter from Topaz Community Government on approval of our suggestion to exchange minutes, and inclosure of their minutes from April 3 to May 22; memos from M.O. Anderson on graveling of roads and unsmooth places between the barracks, on assignment of another stenographer, and the copies of memos sent to Mr. V.J. Ryan on Community Council use of franking privilege and to Mr. D. Todd on janitorial services for Recreation Halls; from Mr. K. Suzuki on the butter served to Amache residents.

1. Mr. Hayashida made the following reports pertaining to the inductees. The reason for the truck transporting the inductees was that the bus was not available for service on that day. The Selective Service Board only provide transportation to and from Powell to the induction center, and he advised the Councilmen to inform draftees on returning home to call the Administration for their transportation from Powell. In regard to the allowance of cash grants to the inductees as accorded to other relocatees, he stated that a written request was made.
2. Mr. Oshio of Agriculture Committee reported the need of another processing room or a barrack for "tsukemono" because there will be approximately 150 tons of produces to be processed as compared to 80 tons for the last year. Since that particular warehouse is now under the supervision of Commissary, the Food Committee was asked to negotiate with Mr. Saunders.
3. Mr. Nagumo explained that an interested group is carrying on the study of "Sashihara plan". Mr. Saito's motion made at previous meeting to disband a committee within the Community Council to study this plan was unanimously approved. Mr. Nagumo added that anyone interested in this plan is welcomed to their meetings.
4. A program similar to the one welcoming the Eule Lakeans will be planned by Community Activities for the Jerome Transferees who will arrive here on June 15, at 1:45 p.m., Mr. Katagi announced.
5. The negotiation with the Jerome Center to have its optical instruments transferred to the Heart Mountain Center has already been made by the Hospital Division on May 9, and the others needed to service residents may be obtained, Mr. Takahashi of Sanitation Committee announced.
6. Regarding the privately-owned optical instruments now used for servicing the residents, the amount of \$5.00 a month is paid by the Community Enterprises, Mr. Iwasaki reported.
7. In regard to the memo received from Mr. Robertson on the butter served to the Granada residents, the Council received the letter from Mr. K. Suzuki, verifying the statement made by Mr. Hayashida at the meeting with Mr. Robertson on May 24. The Council approved to send the copy of this letter to Mr. Robertson.
8. The chairman requested the Food Committee to continue their negotiation with the commissary to have ice tea served to the residents.
9. It was decided that the requisitions for the installation of faucets at the north and south sides of mess halls for convenience in case of fire and the other uses, for the cleaning powder for the laundry tubs, soaps, and other materials from the Administration shall be left to the managers. Mr. Katagi stated that all physical matters should be left to the Managers unless they ask for our assistances.
10. The Labor Committee was asked to investigate the possibility of receiving the overtime in cash instead of in compensatory time because a problem has arisen in the mess where some workers are threatening to take vacation if anyone can't be found to replace them.
11. The Sanitation Committee was asked to investigate the causes of prevalent sickness among the residents.
12. Mr. Tonooka explained that there are about 1,200 to 1,700 tofus manufactured nightly enabling the messes to serve fresh tofus on the day following, however, the amount is not sufficient to serve all messes at once and therefore, uniform menu for the whole center is not possible.
13. The Education and Agenda Committees were asked to study other means to obtain funds for the police uniforms and scholarship fund.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONFERENCE ROOM

June 6, 1944
Tuesday
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL

Absentee: Mr. G. Nakaki (29-EX)

Minutes of June 2 was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS REVIEWED:

Memorandum from M. O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director, on maintenance of Block Manager organization after July 1.
Invitation from Bill Teramoto to the U.S.O. Family Club's inaugural Ceremony.

1. SPEAKER at INAUGURAL CEREMONY:

Mr. H. Matsushige, Councilman of Block 6, was appointed to represent the Community Council at the Heart Mountain U.S.O. Family Club's Inaugural Ceremony on Thursday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m., at the High School Auditorium.

2. SANITATION:

Mr. T. Takahashi of Sanitation Committee reported on the discussion with Dr. Irwin, Principal Medical Officer. Dr. Irwin advised that though there are no complete statistics available on the number of gastroenteric disorder cases, he believes that the number of cases is considerable. A more thorough report may be possible later, Dr. Irwin stated.

3. LABOR:

Mr. K. Hatchimonji of the Labor Committee reported that the extent to which mess hall workers will be allowed to reduce compensatory time after June 30 is contingent upon the funds allotted at the time. But now, it is known that funds are available for the liquidation of compensatory time prior to June 30, and all individuals desiring to take time off do so providing arrangement can be made for a replacement. There is no possibility of receiving it in cash payment.

4. FOOD:

Mr. Nagumo of Block 12 suggested as a proposal from his block that cookies be baked at mess halls to reduce the family social expenditure since wages received are not enough to maintain adequate family income and expenditure. This was referred to the Food Committee for further study.

5. SANITATION:

Mr. Takahashi of Sanitation Committee was asked to see Dr. Irwin for an arrangement to have diphtheria and scarlet fever vaccination.

6. VISIT:

Mr. Hayashida and Mr. Oka were asked to visit Mr. George Tani, Block 24 Councilman, who is confined at the hospital.

7. APPOINTMENT:

Mr. S. Miyazaki, Block 15 Councilman, was appointed to the Sanitation Committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ozawa
Secretary

HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONFERENCE ROOM

June 13, 1944
Tuesday
9:00a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL

Absentee: none

Minutes of June 6 were approved as read and of June 9 were approved as corrected.

COMMUNICATION REVIEWED

- a. From M.O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director, on round-table discussion.
- b. From Mas Morioka, on speaker for Jerome transferees reception.

1. SPEAKER

Mr. Nakashima, chairman, was selected to represent the Community Council to speak at the reception for the transferees from Jerome.

For the forth-coming induction ceremony on June 19, Mr. M. Hayashida, vice-chairman, was elected to speak on the behalf of Community Council.

2. SANITATION

Mr. T. Takahashi of Sanitation Committee reported that there are eight cases of scarlet fever prevalent among the residents. Though it is not very a serious sickness as stated by Miss. Van Kirk, chief nurse, it is advisable, but not compulsory, to have vaccination. In regard to the rental on the optical equipments, it is the opinion of the owner that at least one percent of its cost be paid not as a rental but as an appreciation. The Council recommended \$10.00 a month for the usage be paid by the Community Enterprises. ~~The Community Enterprises Committee~~ and Mr. Matsushige ^{was} were asked to contact Dr. Itatani and the Community Enterprises Committee, who will negotiate with refer the result to the Community Enterprises.

3. LABOR

Mr. Hatchimonji reported that there are eight girls working at the Caucasian living quarters. It is learned that Community Enterprises is charging twenty-five percent as service charge plus prevailing WRA wage scale and clothing allowances to these employers. Discussion followed that these girls be paid prevailing wages as outside. The matter was left for further study by the Labor Committee.

4. SWIMMING POOL

Mr. S. Nagumo of Recreation Committee reported that it is difficult to get gravel and sand for the completion of the pool, but as soon as Mr. Todd returns from Cheyenne, the work will be started. Since there is a labor shortage, he asked the Councilmen to ask for volunteers from their blocks.

5. SUGGESTION

Mr. Hatchimonji reported as a suggestion from his block on the procedure of paying the appreciation fund to the doctors. As told by one of the former Tuleans, at Tule Lake the organization was formed to handle all appreciation contributions for the services rendered by the doctors. Any resident who receives doctor's treatment may contribute his appreciation to this organization instead of giving directly to the doctor. This fund, including the regular contribution, is paid to the doctors and nurses for the appreciation of their services.

6. JANITORIAL SERVICE

Mr. Anderson reported that janitorial service will be provided for the recreation halls. Determination of how this service will be distributed will be adequately studied by the Chief Engineer.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Ozawa, Secretary

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL

Absentee: Mr. Hatchimonji (27) and Block 24

COMMUNICATION REVIEWED:

- a. From Poston Community Council on the approval of exchanging minutes.
- b. From Topaz Community Council on the request of information concerning financing of various clubs within the center.

1. OPTICAL EQUIPMENTS

To the recommendation made by the Community Council on the rental to be paid by the Community Enterprises, Mr. Sashihara, chairman of the Community Enterprises Board of Trustees, expressed his opinion that it should be handled in business like manner and added that he will settle this matter with Dr. Itatani taking into consideration the recommendations of the Council, Mr. Tsunokai of the Community Enterprises Committee reported. It was decided that since the decision of the Council represents the desire of the residents, a written memorandum on the recommendation be sent to Mr. Sashihara.

2. LABOR

Mr. Nagumo of Labor Committee reported that the procedure for employment of evacuee maids for the Caucasian living quarters has created problems at other centers similar to those at Heart Mountain. The WRA regulation provides that Community Enterprises is to establish charges in accordance with outside prevailing wages for recommendation by the Project Director, and pay to the girls the WRA wages and clothing allowances. However, the Community Enterprises do not wish to make the service charges and request recommendation from the Council as to how this matter be executed. The Labor Committee was asked to make further study on this matter.

3. LEGAL

Mr. Tokimasa of Legal Committee reported that a copy of Arbitration Commission draft has been misplaced, another copy will be sent to the newly arrived Project Attorney Byron Ver Ploeg for his recommendation. The draft of Fair Labor Practice Board is in possession of Mr. Anderson who will arrange for consideration by the Attorney.

4. SOCIAL SECURITY

In regard to the publication made on Social Security Pension, Mr. Hayashida requested more clarified information for those direct relatives of deceased eligible to receive pensions.

5. BUCKETS

Because the supply of buckets is temporarily limited, Densonites will receive them as soon as new supply arrives, Mr. George Nakaki announced.

6. RECREATION HALLS

Mr. Katagi announced that water paint instead of kalsomine will be distributed for the recreation halls. Since there are only limited number of brushes, the work will be started by volunteers at about five recreation halls. He added that paints will be supplied for the mess halls before the summer is over.

7. DRAINAGE SYSTEM

Due to the heavy storm of few days ago, several mess halls and laundry rooms have been flooded. The Council decided to request Mr. Todd to improve the drainage system as soon as possible.

8. ANIMAL AND FOWL REGULATION

The Legal Committee was asked to study the definition of "fowl" since the police department has difficulty in enforcing the regulation.

9. FAUCETS

The Councilmen were asked to make a survey of the number of faucets available for service at each laundry rooms and report at the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL Absentee: None Attended: Mr. William Teramoto of C.A.

Minutes of June 16 were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS REVIEWED:

- a. From Poston Community Council on the request of information concerning the trial of the boys who failed to appear for pre-induction physical examination.
- b. From Personnel Management Section on regulation of Project employment-- Termination of Evacuee workers for Cause or for Disciplinary reasons.

SPEAKER

Mr. William Teramoto of Community Activities announced that the Community Activities is planning for the Fourth of July program. There will be a parade during the day and a talent show and movie in the evening. He stated that in the past most of the people who participated were only boy and girl scouts, bands and etc. but this year they have planned a parade which he requested participation from the blocks. Since he feels that it is impossible to have trucks for the floats as have been seen at pre-evacuation parades, he suggested having wagons decorated with the available materials in the center. The Community Council approved of the idea and informed the Community Activities to request the respective block VPC for their participation.

AGRICULTURE

Mr. Oshio of the Agriculture Committee gave a report of the investigation of damages caused by the recent hail storm. Cucumbers, melons and cantaloupes were totally damaged and now are being resowed by the workers. Practically all leaf vegetables were damaged heavily. However, from his estimation, only about 20 to 30 acres were damaged and these vegetables will be retarded for harvesting. He also announced a few varieties of vegetable plants have been secured for replanting.

FOOD

Mr. Tonooka reported that on Saturday 4,200 lbs. of ice arrived. About 120 lbs. will be distributed to each mess hall. He also announced that Agriculture Division is charging 10 cents a pound for the radishes raised on the project farm. It was reported that the project food committee recommended that the radishes not be purchased at this price. He reported that although he did not receive reply from the Commissary, a special dinner welcoming the Densanites may be served to the residents.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Mr. R. Katagi of Recreation Committee requested the respective Councilmen to elect two capable representatives at their next block meeting to serve on the board of Community Activities and also to attend the forthcoming C.A. Conference on June 27, at 8:00 a.m. at 9-26.

LABOR

Mr. Hatchimonji stated that the problem of maids at the Caucasian living quarters is not a minor problem and it will be necessary to make a serious study since it will affect the future welfare of the center residents.

LEGAL

The definition of "fowl" was interpreted to the Council by Mr. Tokimasa of the Legal Committee. He was requested to define it in ordinary language and inform the police department.

OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS

Community Enterprises Committee was asked to investigate the amount of income from the optical division of the Community Enterprises. It was decided that best advice can be derived from the comprehensive study of its income. The request of one representative of the Community Enterprises Board of Trustees to appear at our meeting to explain the financial status of the optical division was passed by the Council. Secretary was asked to send a memorandum to the Community Enterprises.

APPRECIATION FUND

Mr. T. Takahashi of Sanitation Committee reported that since there are two blocks which have failed to turn in the doctor's appreciation contribution, he feels that it will be necessary to hold it until completing the collection since it will be unfair to those who have contributed. He requested those particular Councilmen to consider immediate gathering of contribution so that he can make a report to the public.

SOCIAL WELFARE

Mr. H. Matsushige was asked to find out who is handling the report of the death of the Japanese Nationals to the Japanese government.

JANITORIAL SERVICE

The Labor Committee was asked to negotiate with the Administration to have janitorial services provided immediately for the recreation halls.

ELECTION

Mr. K. Hatchimonji was elected to the Agriculture Committee.

TRIAL

Mr. M. O. Anderson announced that the trial at Cheyenne has been completed and the final decision will be reached by the presiding judge after reviewing the case record.

LEAVE

Mr. Matsushige was asked to investigate as to how often a person may visit Godx or Powell.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wakashima.

ROLL CALL: Absentee: Block 24.

COMMUNICATIONS REVIEWED:

- a. From JAOL, Salt Lake City, a Bulletin on Alien Land Law.
- b. From David Yamakawa, Assistant Supervisor of Community Activities, in appreciation for councilmen's cooperation at Densonite Welcome Program.

1. FOOD

Mr. Tenocka of Food Committee announced that a welcome dinner for the Densonites will be served on next Sunday noon. For requisitioning food for the Block party, he informed the Council to apply through Miss Hisa Hirashiki of the Community Activities. The opinions were expressed that procedure is very inconvenient, for many times Miss Hirashiki was not present at the office. Mr. Nagumo of the Recreation Committee said he will discuss this matter at the C.A. Board meeting.

2. CENTRALIZED FINANCING SYSTEM OF CENTER ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. Nagumo of Recreation Committee presented the letter from David Yamakawa, Assistant Supervisor of Community Activities, on the explanation of operation of Community Activities together with enclosures of its operational diagram and copies of agreements with the WRA. Secretary was asked to send this letter to Topaz Community Council in reply to recent inquiry.

3. REST HOME

Mr. Matsushige of Social Welfare Committee announced that Rest Home is now under the supervision of the Hospital. It is the request from those who are living there that one set each of "goh" and "shogi" and any other recreational instruments and reading matter be given to them. Also, he stated as a suggestion from Miss Payne, Counselor, that one volunteer janitor as a social worker either from Christian or Buddhist group to work one day a week to relieve the janitor who works there.

4. STOPPERS FOR WASH BASINS

Mr. George Nakaki reported that since there were only 500 stoppers obtained, two dozens will be distributed to each block.

5. LEGAL

Supplemental provision to the regulation concerning Animals and Fowls was explained by Mr. Tokimasa of the Legal Committee. It was approved as follows:

Section 13 Keeping of Pets

No pet shall be permitted to be kept if it becomes a public nuisance or against the sanitary rule which will be determined by the discretion of the Sanitary Department of this Center.

Section 14 Definition of Fowls

Fowls are chickens, rails, quails, woodcocks, pheasants, mallards, pigeons, and magpies.

6. CASH FOR COMPENSATORY TIME

Mr. George Nakaki called the attention of the Council to the article written in June 10 issue of Topaz Time on cash to be paid to the resident workers for compensatory time in excess of 44 hours a week subsequent to January, 1944, and recommended negotiations with the Administration on this matter.

7. COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES

Mr. Sashihara attended the Council meeting at 10:30 a.m. and explained in detail the operation of optical division of the Community Enterprises and the negotiations he had with the doctor. In the last ten months, they have had \$8,200 of business transacted through that division. Ever since

two other opticians were terminated, they have received from the residents many complaints as to inadequate service rendered. It is the opinion of those opticians that one optician is inadequate to serve community. WRA equipment is used for testing the clients for ordering glasses while the privately-owned equipment is used for adjusting and testing the glasses after arrival. To the question asked by Mr. Hayashida concerning the usage of fund secured from the 10% charged on the transaction for glasses which was intended for use in acquiring needed optical equipments, Mr. Sashihara reported that although Community Enterprises has applied for priority to secure one instrument costing about \$250, it was rejected by the WPA. However, much of the minor equipment and postage fees are paid from this fund as maintenance.

In regard to the domestic problem which arose since the inception of the Community Enterprises providing maids for the Caucasian living quarters, he informed the Council that letters of inquiry have been sent to other centers. To date the information concerning the four centers are as follows: At Amache Center, since June 15, the employers are paying to Enterprises \$40 a month for full time worker, \$20 for half a month, \$10 for a week, \$5 for half day a week, 30¢ an hour and \$6 to \$8 a week for unexperienced worker and paying WRA wage to the workers. At Minidoka Center, there exists unsatisfactory feeling, however, they are studying the best procedure. At Manzanar, they are also considering best procedure for handling domestic labor, and at present, they are charging \$35 to \$38 a month to the employer and paying WRA wage to the workers. An inquiry has been received from Tule Lake on this subject and they have advised that they are charging \$25 to the employers and paying workers WRA wage; they are still negotiating with the Administration for a \$40 a month wage. He informed the Council that the prevailing wage in Cody and Powell is \$35 to \$40 a month and Mr. Robertson will probably recommend about \$35 a month. He concluded his report by requesting advice from the Council.

8. SPECIAL MEETING

Since it was necessary to hear the report on the findings of the poultry farm dispute hearing and a report concerning the announcement made by the majority of the delegates of the Study and Negotiation Committee, the Chairman called a special meeting for tomorrow, Saturday, June 24, at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

SPECIAL MEETING
HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONFERENCE ROOM

JUNE 24, 1944
Saturday
9:00 AM--11:30 AM

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL Absentees: Messrs. ~~Oka (23)~~, Katagi (28-EX), Tonooka (2),
and ~~Matsushige (6)~~

Mr. Nagumo of the Labor Committee read the Findings of the Poultry Farm Dispute Hearing. It was the decision of this committee that Mr. H. Shizaki shall be returned to the work at the Poultry Farm. This decision, after reviewed by the Chairman, if approved, will be recommended to Mr. Guy Robertson for the final action. Mr. Nagumo further requested approval of the Council to publicize its decision in the Sentinel since the reporter has been asking him for quite a long time and the public is very much interested in the outcome. After thorough discussion, the Council approved as permissible to publicize the decision of the Committee as recorded in the Council minutes.

Regarding the announcement made by the Study and Negotiation Committee, which was sent to Mr. Robertson and the Board of Trustees of the Heart Mountain Community Enterprises, further study will be made at the next meeting, Chairman announced.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Tom Ozawa, Secretary

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL

Absentee: Block 24

Minutes of June 23 were approved as read and of June 24, approved as corrected.

COMMUNICATION REVIEWED:

a. From William Teramoto of Community Activities on the Fourth of July parade.

1. SOCIAL WELFARE

Mr. Matsushige of Social Welfare Committee advised that death of a Japanese national is reported to the Japanese government through Spanish Counsel by Mr. Diehl, Project Statiscian. Regarding the leaves to Powell or Cody, there is no discretion as to how often a person may apply, however, in order to give other persons a chance since it is the policy of the Project to limit to certain a number each day to safeguard public relation, he told the Councilmen to inform the residents to understand the situation of the Administration; but emergency leaves can be granted above this quota.

2. FOOD

For requisition of food for the block, Mr. Tonooka of the Food Committee advised Councilmen to use the regular form in presenting the request to the Commissary. It should be distinctly noted as to whom the food is to be issued.

Mr. Nagumo of the Recreation Committee added that at C.A. Board meeting, he was informed that it is a misadvice to have requisition of food made through C.A. He announced that it should be made at their respective block office.

Mr. Hayashida of Food Committee informed the Council that requisition of food by the Block is permissible ^{once} ~~twice~~ a month. He stated that the Project raised radishes are to be purchased at 4¢ a pound. The Agriculture Division has indicated that they are to charge 85% of the comparable grade of produce at Denver market price. The supplying of ice cream to the residents has been investigated but it is not obtainable.

Mr. Tonooka of Food Committee reported as a suggestion from the Food Committee that Council request watermelons to be served to the residents on the Fourth of July holiday since ice cream is not obtainable. Secretary was asked to send a memorandum to Mr. Anderson.

3. LEGAL

In regard to the enforcement of Animal and Fowl regulation, Legal Committee was asked to discuss the matter with the Police Department.

4. EDUCATION

Mr. Nagumo of Education Committee reported that a survey of graduates from the high school indicates only 13% are planning to enter higher education as compared to 35% of graduates from the schools outside. This will tend to decrease the advancement of Japanese race who are already handicapped. He was advised at C.A. Board meeting that in order to materialize the scholarship plan, which failed to receive approval of 2/3 votes of the blocks, that appointed committee explain the plan to the mothers, who are quite influential, at adult education classes.

5. SUGGESTION

Mr. Hatchimonji of Block 27 reported as a suggestion from his block that a pass system be revised so that a person from two barrack be given leaves to visit either towns, alternating each day so that all blocks will be given equal opportunity. Chairman requested the Welfare Committee to study its applicable procedure for recommendation to the Project.

6. HEARING

To the motion made by Mr. Tokimasa to have an open hearing on the announcement made publicly by the majority delegates of the Study and Negotiation Committee on Deblaration of Trust of the Community Enterprises, the discussion was held as to appropriateness of the Council to take up this matter at this time. The motion was defeated by the vote of only ten favoring.

7. MANAGER

Mr. George Nakaki announced that the wire from Washington revealed the termination of managers will be effective on July 1. It was the opinion of the Council to request the Administration to have further negotiation with Washington for maintaining managers.

Mr. Anderson came to the meeting and announced that that the Block Manager's position is not authorized to be maintained after July 1. He advised that the question is being resubmitted to the Washington WRA office for consideration.

He asked the opinion of the Councilmen to the suggestion of having two block clerks with B wage. Some Councilmen agreed with the plan, but the others stated that there would be the problem of supervision of one over the other. In regard to the cash payment on overtime for center employees, he stated that it is made only after justification of its payment is approved by Washington. Further discussion on this problem will be made at round-table discussion tomorrow. ~~Mr. Anderson~~ ~~will discuss tomorrow.~~ Mr. Anderson cautioned the Council that all factors related to this question should be carefully and impartially reviewed before judgment is reached or criticism is voiced among the residents as a whole.

7. REST HOME

Mr. Matsushige requested that one set each of "goh" and "shogi" be given to the occupants of the Rest Home. The Recreation Committee was asked to negotiate with the Goh and Shogi Clubs for the sets which were sent by the Japanese Red Cross Society.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CONFERENCE ROOM

June 28, 1944
Wednesday
10:00 am-11:45am

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ATTENDED: Mr. Guy Robertson, Project Director; Mr. W. O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director; Mr. D. Todd, Assistant Project Director; Mr. H. Erdman, Senior Engineer; and Mr. B. Larsen, Cost Accountant.

MANAGERS

The Block Manager problem was discussed. Mr. Robertson stated that he will submit another letter to Washington explaining the manager's duties and requesting further consideration concerning maintenance of the position. In the meantime, managers will be asked to continue as clerks until the question is settled with Washington. In response to an inquiry from Mr. Robertson, Mr. Todd said that in discussing these terminations with the Managers those who expressed their opinions indicated they would like to resign saying that it is too much work and responsibility with the title of clerk.

DRAINAGE SYSTEM

Mr. Erdman of Engineering Department explained to the Council that when this center was built by the Army, they never anticipated such a heavy storm as the recent one. The rainfall record shows only five inches a year. He stated the Engineering Department is improving the drainage system from the lower section where the drainage problem is most acute; the installation of pipe twice the size of present one is now being made. Councilmen whose blocks were flooded were asked to submit the map of flooded section to Mr. Erdman. Mr. Erdman stated that all work on the Project has been delayed on account of labor shortage and of limited equipments. Work on the swimming pool will be expedited in order to open it for use as soon as other emergency work will be finished. The Recreation Committee was asked to contact Mr. Erdman to schedule volunteers for work on the completion of the pool.

MAINTENANCE

The verbal requests for the reinstallation of wash tubs destroyed by fire at block 6-29 and installation of ventilation system at block 15-27 mess hall were submitted to Mr. Todd. Repairing of leaky roofs of the barracks in the center is a huge task and has been planned for some time, but the materials are hard to obtain. He stated as soon as suitable material is obtained, they will begin repairing the roofs. In regard to question of providing janitors for the recreation halls, it was stated that requisition of janitors has been submitted to the Employment Division without success. Some of the Councilmen expressed their opinions that they could assist in finding janitors. They were advised to check this matter with Mr. Burton of Janitorial Service before referring it to the prospective employee. Mr. Todd said he would make a survey of the work on the window glazing and will report the matter to the Council.

CASH PAYMENT ON OVERTIME

Mr. Larsen explained that overtime accumulated prior to December 31, 1943, can be compensated only by taking compensatory time off and all employees have been encouraged to use it before June 30, 1944. However, the overtime earned after January 1, 1944, if unused within 90 days and justified by the Project Director, may be paid in cash. It is the policy of the WRA to avoid payment of overtime in cash as much as possible, therefore, those who will not be able to liquidate overtime should be very few.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONFERENCE ROOM

June 30, 1944
Friday
9:20 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL

Absentee: Mr. George Nakaki (29)

Minutes of June 27 were read and approved as corrected and of June 28 approved as read.

COMMUNICATION REVIEWED:

- a. From T. Sashihara, Chairman of Board of Trustee of the Community Enterprises, on the advice of electing a new group of block representatives for the study committee on the Declaration of Trust.
- b. From M.O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director, on the watermelon to be served on the Fourth of July.

VISITOR

Mr. Oishi, formerly of Gila River Relocation Center, gave a talk of his trip to North Central States and Denver region on the possibility of farmers relocating into those area. He related the cases of successful Japanese who were there prior to evacuation, and of offers to farm from a particular candy company and a private party. It is his opinion that relocation, specifically on the farm, must be made with the idea of resettling permanently. There is the possibility of successful farming since the methods applied in those sections are behind those applied in California. However, he added, ample capital is necessary to withhold the produce for sale until spring. Traveling through those states, he had experienced no ill-feeling with exception at a little town beyond Cody.

P.F.O. Thomas Higg, veteran of Italian campaign and recipient of the Purple Heart, came to the Council and said that he would like to inform the parents and wives of the soldiers of the suitable gifts to send to the soldiers on overseas duty. The Council, with the assistance of C.A., made arrangement with him to have informal discussion at U. S. O. at 2:00 p.m. and his talk at 14-30, at 8:00 p.m.

LEGAL

Project Attorney Bryon Ver Floob gave a brief talk on the Alien Land Law problems that are being investigated by the agents of California. He advised the Council that if anyone is approached by an investigator, it is best to seek advice from the attorney.

Mr. Tokimasa of Legal Committee reported the discussion they had with the Police Department. He has been advised that if fowl is defined as stated in the supplemental provision passed at previous meeting, the limitation will create difficulty in interpreting and enforcing the regulation. The Council approved a motion that Section 14 of supplemental provision to the Animal and Fowl Regulation be omitted, and enforcement be left to the discretion of the Police Department.

RECREATION

Mr. Katagi of Recreation Committee reported that arrangement has been made with Goh and Shogi clubs that one set each of goh and shogi will be given to the occupants of the Rest Home. Mr. Furton of Janitorial Service advised him that scheduling of janitors for recreation halls is being planned, but he is unable to secure janitors; therefore he has asked the Council to find janitors. The work on the swimming pool has already started, and Mr. Katagi asked Councilmen to send at least one volunteer from each block to help work on the swimming pool this afternoon and tomorrow morning.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Ozawa