

claim-holders touching the right of way by any company that will give reasonable assurance of the prosecution of the enterprise to a final completion at an early day.

Further, your committee report a series of resolutions as a substitute for the resolution referred to the committee.

(Signed)

WM. CORCORAN, *Chairman.*

The following are the resolutions submitted.

1. *Resolved* that the construction of a bed-rock flume in Blue Cañon Gulch of sufficient capacity through which to work the mining ground in said gulch and adjacent thereto, is of the utmost importance to the mining interest to this camp, and to that end (the construction of said flume) the miner, the merchant, and every person interested in the property of the camp, should unite in forwarding said enterprise. Therefore be it further

2. *Resolved* that, to encourage said enterprise and for the benefit of those who shall undertake and prosecute the said enterprise to completion, a reservation thirty feet wide through the unappropriated mining ground in said gulch be and the same is hereby exempted from location, and that all locations hereafter made for mining purposes in the channel of said gulch shall be subject to said reservation; provided that said reservation shall be deemed to extend to the mining interest in said mining ground so reserved.

3. *Resolved, further*, that said reserved ground shall be subject to location by any person or company of persons or corporation who shall undertake and prosecute to completion up to the junction of French Gulch with Blue Cañon Gulch by or before the [1st] day of [November], A. D. 1865, a bed-rock flume of sufficient size and capacity through which to work the mining ground in said gulch and adjacent thereto.

4. *Resolved, further*, that any person or persons, or company of persons, or corporation desiring to avail themselves of the foregoing reservation, shall file their notice of claim thereto with the clerk of the county, and within thirty [extended to forty-five] days thereafter shall begin the said work and diligently prosecute the same to completion as heretofore required, or lose all rights under said notice; provided that such person or persons, company or corporation shall not be entitled to any mining ground under and by virtue of these resolutions below the point where said flume shall strike the bed rock of said gulch.

5. *Resolved, further*, that as E. M. White & Company have already taken steps to secure a right of way in said gulch for the purposes of a flume, they shall be deemed to have notified within the meaning of these resolutions, and shall have thirty days from their passage to begin their operations.

NOTE.—No minutes of any meeting held between February 25th, 1865, and April 22nd, 1874, can be found.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT A SPECIAL MINERS' MEETING OF BLUE CAÑON MINING DISTRICT, HELD AT SCOFIELD'S STORE, AT AUBURN, ON THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL, A. D. 1874.

Whereas Daniel Best and others, known as the Marysville Mining Company, by Daniel Best as agent and superintendent, propose to construct a bed-rock flume in Blue Cañon, provided the miners of said Blue Cañon Mining District will make a special law (and properly file with other laws of said district), granting him and his company the right to locate one hundred and sixty acres of mining ground on Blue Cañon Flat under the U. S. mining laws passed May 10th, A. D. 1872; therefore be it resolved by the miners of Blue Cañon Mining District at a special meeting assembled, the same having been called by a special request of the miners of said Blue Cañon Mining District, that we do hereby grant said Daniel Best and others the right to locate one hundred and sixty acres of mining ground in Blue Cañon Flat under the U. S. mining laws passed May 10th, A. D. 1872.

And whereas Charles Rowes has failed to construct a bed-rock flume in reasonable time, we hereby declare his right forfeited, and grant the right of way to said Dan'l Best and others.

We grant the above believing that said bed-rock flume in Blue Cañon will promote the mining interests of this camp.

*Resolved* that all laws and resolutions now in force in Blue Cañon Mining District inconsistent with the foregoing resolutions be and the same are hereby repealed—to apply only to this said 160 acres of D. Best & others.

(Signed) D. S. Littlefield, J. Evcoe, John Jones, W. Graham, J. A. Jones, T. Graham, P. Farrell, J. W. Mullin, L. Rivers, Charles Duckworth, Thomas Jones, John M. Frost, Wm. Morris, John Thompson, P. Connor.

At a meeting of the miners of Blue Cañon Mining District at Scofield's store, in accordance with a call of miners made by public notice of twelve days, for the purpose of granting to Daniel Best and others special rights and privileges for putting a bed-rock flume in Blue Cañon, the following proceedings were had.

George Driggs was elected chairman.

Considered that D. B. Scofield, the local recorder, act as secretary.

A motion that the resolutions read at a previous special meeting on the 22nd of April, 1874, be read was carried.

The resolutions were read.

The motion was made and seconded that the resolutions signed at the special meeting of the miners at Scofield's store April 22nd, 1874, be approved, ratified, and adopted—was carried by a unanimous vote.

The motion was made and seconded that the flume co. shall expend at least a thousand dollars on the flume work each year until finished, or the work shall be considered abandoned.

By vote the motion was carried.

Motion was made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

Dated May 4th, 1874, at Auburn, Baker Co., Oregon.

(Signed)

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GEO. E. DRIGGS.

D. B. SCOFIELD, *Dist. Recorder.*

BAKER COUNTY.—PIONEER MINING DISTRICT.

TRANSCRIPT. MINING LAWS OF PIONEER DISTRICT.

Know all men by these presents that we, the miners [of] this district, pursuant to a call made Sept. 21, 1862, met on Burnt River Oct. 5th, 1862, for the purpose of making laws for to govern this district.

On motion of Mr. Freeman Mr. Iba was nominated chairman and unanimously elected.

On motion of Mr. Smith Mr. Jordan was chosen secretary.

Mr. Iba called the house to order, and the following resolutions were adopted.

ARTICLE 1. *Resolved* that the boundaries of this district be as follows: commencing at the mouth of the Big Cañon on Burnt River, and run [running] up said river to the mouth of the next cañon above, embracing about twenty-four miles from east to west; the boundaries on the north to be the summit or dividing ridge between Burnt River and Powder River, and on the south to be the dividing ridge between Burnt River and Birch Creek.

ARTICLE 2. *Resolved* that this district be called Pioneer District.

ARTICLE 3. *Resolved* that each person be entitled to hold one river claim, one hill claim, one creek claim, one gulch claim, one quartz claim, by location, and as many by purchase as he may represent according to the laws of the district.

ARTICLE 4. Any person or persons discovering new diggings shall be entitled to one claim for discovery.

ARTICLE 5. Each river claim shall be two hundred feet in length, and running from hill to hill on either side.

ARTICLE 6. Each creek claim to be the same size of river claims.

ARTICLE 7. Each gulch claim to be two hundred feet in length, and one hundred and fifty feet wide.

ARTICLE 8. Each hill claim to be two hundred feet front, and running back to the center of the hill or summit of the mountain.

ARTICLE 9. Each quartz claim shall be two hundred feet in length, and embracing all its dips, spurs, and angles, and water emanating from the same.

ARTICLE 10. *Resolved* that all river claims be laid over and not jumpable until the 15th of July next, 1863.

ARTICLE 11. *Resolved* that all other claims be laid over until the first of June, 1863.

CLARK'S CREEK, July 22nd, 1863.

Know all men by these presents that we, the miners of Pioneer District, pursuant to a call made July 22nd, 1863, met at the store of Frank Koontz for the purpose of making laws to lay over claims, &c.

On motion of Mr. Edgerton Mr. Wheeler was chosen chairman.

On motion of Mr. Stuttsman Mr. Edgerton was chosen secretary.

On motion of Killingsworth Clark's District was thrown into Pioneer District, and together called Pioneer District.

On motion of Mr. Killingsworth the meeting approved and adopted the old laws of Pioneer District.

1st. *Resolved* that each gulch and hill claim be laid over until the first of May next, and river claims until the first of July, 1864.

2nd. *Resolved* that Frank Koontz be recorder, and that he receive one dollar for recording each claim.

3rd. *Resolved* that unfinished ditches may be laid over until first of May, 1864.

*Resolved* that this meeting adjourn *sine die*.

CLARK'S CREEK, May 21st, 1864.

Miners of Pioneer District met pursuant to notice previously given.

W. H. Lamar, president, J. W. Virtue, secretary.

The following articles were unanimously adopted as additional laws governing this district.

1. It shall be required that all claims be worked one full day in three when water can be procured.

2. It shall be the duty of the recorder to go unto each claim recorded, and post at either end of such claim a stake and mound, with no. distinctly marked thereon, corresponding with no. on book of record, for which service he shall be entitled to the sum of one dollar from the party locating the same for each claim.

3. All claims heretofore located shall be staked and numbered according to section 2nd within thirty days from this date.

4. That hereafter all transfers made of claims shall be placed on the records of said district, for which the sum of 50 cents shall be paid by the party making such transfer.

5. All claims shall be laid over unless there can be 30 inches of water or the same of ditch water obtained to work such claims. All claims must be worked within eight days after water can be obtained.

On motion B. F. Koontz was elected recorder for the term of one year and until his successor is elected and qualified.

On motion adjourned *sine die*.

W. H. LAMAR, Pres.

J. W. VIRTUE, Sec.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the laws of Pioneer District, Baker County, Oregon, on file and in my custody.

Given under my hand this 15th day Feb., 1872.

(Signed)

W. R. CURTIS,  
Deputy Recorder of Pioneer District.

Filed Feb. 22nd, A. D. 1872.

(Signed)

LUTHER B. ISON,  
Clerk [of Baker County].

### GRANT COUNTY.—ROCK CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

TRANSCRIPT. LAWS OF ROCK CREEK MINING DISTRICT, GRANT COUNTY, OREGON.

At a meeting of the miners of Rock creek mining district March 10th, 1865, Hugh Kennedy was called to the chair, and J. M. McCoy appointed secretary, when upon motion the following articles were adopted as the local laws to govern the mining interest in said district, to wit: