

MINUTES

CEDAR VALLEY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Tuesday, February 22, 1994

4:05 P.M.

This meeting was called to order by Chairman Brent Jones. He expressed his appreciation to Lee Sim and other members of his staff for their presence at the meeting. He then asked Secretary LaRee Garfield to read the Minutes of the 1993 meeting. Garth Sherratt moved for approval of the Minutes as read; Joe Melling seconded; Minutes approved as read.

Chairman Jones then asked Mr. Sim to present the Financial Report for 1993. Mr. Sim stated that at the beginning of 1993, we had a balance of Distribution Trust Funds in the amount of \$10,032.87. We collected \$7,108.52 in regular assessments, \$204.57 in delinquent penalties, and we earned interest in the amount of \$289.41, for a total of \$7,602.50. Expenditures totaled \$8,214.95, leaving a balance of Distribution Trust Funds at the end of 1993 in the amount of \$9,420.42. Mr. Sim pointed out that page two of the report shows the expenditures and amounts budgeted in each category, and we are within the budget on all items. Last year's assessment was \$8,500.00, and only \$7,100.00 was collected, so we were under budget in our collections. Delinquencies are shown on pages three and four, and we have about \$3,000.00 in outstanding assessments. Chairman Jones will check with five of the parties on this list and should be able to reduce the delinquencies to about \$1,000.00. Rue Gene Rollo moved for approval of the Financial Report; Earl Kenney seconded; motion carried.

The list of delinquencies was then discussed. Chairman Jones suggested that the delinquent assessment in the name of Gary Danklef may be a duplication and that it is probably being paid for through a different assessment in a company well. Mr. Sim said that he would have that item removed from the list of delinquencies.

Chairman Jones then asked for Commissioner Mel Baldwin to present his Report for 1993. Mr. Baldwin reported that 1993 was a bumper water year. The 1993 stream flow reached approximately 56,994.6 acre feet which was almost three times the 1992 figure of 20,434.3 acre feet. The creek peaked on May 20, 1993, at approximately 997 cubic feet per second, and the stream flow held up good through the month of June. At present the snow pack is below average and much below the snow pack of last year. The inventory of furniture and equipment remains the same as last year. Chairman Jones then called for a motion to approve the Commissioner's Report. Joe Melling so moved; Rod Brady seconded; motion carried.

Mr. Sim reported that at this time, the distribution trust funds are held in Zions Bank, and that money is audited by the State Auditor's office. Last year, they were told that the way these funds are held is not in keeping with State statutes and that the money should be deposited with the State Treasurer. An exemption from this requirement was asked for, but they were told that that is not possible. The State Treasurer's office has a higher rate of interest paid than any bank in Utah, and expenses are usually paid within a couple of days through the State Treasurer. They are asking that this transfer of funds be delayed until next January, and they do not think that we will see any change other than that we will earn more interest on our money.

The 1994 budget was discussed. Rod Brady moved that the budget remain the same as the 1993 budget; Garth Sherratt seconded; motion carried. The budget will be based on an assessment of \$8,500.00.

Mr. Sim reported that a Commissioner's Seminar will be held March 3 and 4. There will be no charge for the seminar, but the system would have to pay for lodging and meals for those attending which would probably be less than \$100.00. He asked that we budget for this or allow the Commissioner to take the expenses out of the miscellaneous funds. Mr. Baldwin indicated that he would not be able to attend, and Mr. Sim said that he could have someone come in his place. It was suggested that since Rue Gene assists Mr. Baldwin that possibly he could attend.

Chairman Jones then called for recommendations for a Commissioner for 1994. Earl Kenney recommended that Mel Baldwin be retained as Commisisoner; Rod Brady seconded; motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Sim reported that his office is talking with all of the river systems about the USGS stream gages, but it will only apply to certain distribution systems. Right now, the USGS says that it costs \$6,500.00 per year to run the gages, and funding for this is set by legislation for the Division of Water Rights. In the future, if costs continue to go up, they may have to come to us to ask for help with the costs. It would probably be just a small increase each year.

Chairman Jones reported that it is necessary to elect a Chairman and three board members. The present members are Brent Jones, Chairman, with Paul Nelson, Bud Garfield, and Tom Cardon as Directors. Rue Gene moved that the present officers be retained; Earl Snowball seconded; motion carried.

The time to hold future meetings was discussed. The State will decide when the meetings will be held.

Rue Gene asked if anything is being done about broken meters, and Mr. Sim said that they are working in Milford at the present time to try and develop an alternative to water meters that would be workable. However, they are not ready to talk to our system about it, yet. They have to take one system at a time. Chairman Jones asked that the members make the Commissioner aware of wells that have not pumped for several years. This would save a lot of time for the Commissioner.

A motion to adjourn was made by Garth Sherratt; seconded by Earl Snowball; Meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.