

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WATER
USERS OF THE BEAVER RIVER SYSTEM
Held February 13, ~~1957~~ 1958

Pursuant to notice given by the State Engineer of the State of Utah, a meeting of the water users of the Beaver River System was held at the County Courthouse in Beaver City, Utah, at 1:00 o'clock p.m., at which time and place it was determined and declared that a majority of the water users of the system were present. Those present are shown on Exhibit I attached hereto.

Present from the State Engineer's office were: Wayne D. Criddle, State Engineer; Frank Reese, Chief Accountant; and Donald C. Norseth, and Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Criddle called the meeting to order and explained the new organization and purposes of the State Engineer's office.

The minutes of the Waters Users' meeting and of the Water Users' Committee meeting for the year 1957 were read, and upon motion, duly seconded, unanimously approved.

Mr. Frank Reese gave his annual financial report of the system, a copy of which is attached hereto, showing among other things, total receipts for 1957 of \$3,890.67, expenses of \$4,613.39, a balance on hand of \$1,245.68, and delinquent assessments outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1957 of \$1,129.88. He explained that most of the delinquent assessments had been paid since Dec. 31st. He also pointed out that amounts spent for Commissioner's travel expense and for miscellaneous items over the amount budgeted had been approved by the Chairman of the committee prior to payment by the State Engineer.

During further discussion of the report, Reed Smith suggested that the report be closed on Feb. 28th instead of encumbering money for the following year. After an explanation by Mr. Reese, Mr. Smith then moved that the financial report be made on a calendar year basis. The motion was seconded by Clark Smith and unanimously passed.

On motion by Reed Smith, seconded by Robert Christiansen, the financial report was unanimously approved.

The Water Commissioner, Lee Strong, made his annual report showing the amount of water discharged by the Beaver River and tributaries and the amounts of water delivered to the various ditches. On motion of Doyle Twitchell, duly seconded, the report was approved.

The minutes of the Water Users' Committee meeting held at 11:00 a.m. on February 13, 1958, for the purpose of adopting a proposed budget of the system for 1958 were read and the following proposed budget was submitted to the water users for approval:

Commissioner's Salary	\$2400.00
Social Security	54.00
Commissioner's Travel Expense	970.00
Bond and Insurance Premiums	50.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	226.00
Total	<u>\$3700.00</u>

After further discussion relative to budget items, Reed Smith moved that the proposed budget as submitted be adopted for 1958. The motion was seconded by Robert Christiansen and passed by a majority vote.

It was then moved by Stanley McKnight, seconded by Robert Christiansen and passed unanimously, that the State Engineer be authorized to levy and collect assessments on the system totaling \$3700.00.

A claim of the West Side Irrigation Company for \$472.00 for hired labor during the high-water period of 1957 on North Creek was submitted for approval and the purposes and reasons therefor discussed.

Members of the North Creek Irrigation Company stated they had incurred expenses of a similar nature and felt they should also be reimbursed. It was moved by Clark Smith that the North Creek Irrigation Company be reimbursed not to exceed \$200.00 for their expenses. The motion was seconded by Robert Christiansen and upon being put to a vote was defeated by a 14 to 8 vote.

It was then moved by Reed Smith that the North Creek Irrigation Company and the West Side Irrigation Company each be reimbursed in the amount of \$200.00 for expenses incurred. The motion was questioned and the Chairman ruled the motion out of order.

James Morgan moved that the claim of the West Side Irrigation Company for \$472.00 be approved for payment by the State Engineer from bank reserves of the system. The motion was seconded by Doyle Twitchell and upon being put to a vote was approved by a 15 to 12 standing vote.

The Chairman then called for nominations for a water commissioner to be recommended to the State Engineer for appointment. A letter of application from Lee Strong was read. Albert Muir nominated Lee Strong. The nomination was seconded by John G. White. There being no other nominations, Lee Strong was approved by unanimous vote.

The Chairman then called for nominations for the Water Users' Committee. It was moved by Reed Smith that the members presently constituting the committee, namely, Wallace Yardley, John G. White, Amasa Barton, J. S. Murdock, and Stanley McKnight, be retained for another year. The motion was seconded by Kent Morgan and passed by unanimous vote.

The question of future policy of the water users relating to flood control and the reimbursement of expenses incurred was again raised. It was then moved by Reed Smith and seconded by Gilbert Yardley, that the problem be turned over to the Water Users' Committee for consideration. The motion was unanimously passed.

Present business being concluded, the meeting was adjourned subject to further call of the State Engineer.

Dated at Beaver City, Utah, this 13th day of February, 1958.

C. Victor Smith, Secretary.

EXHIBIT I

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Earl T. Smith	Willis Ditch
Fred B. Harris	Mammoth Canal
Ralph Pearson	Minersville Irrigation Co.
M. J. Warr	Kents Lake
J. Albert Muir	
Thomas Smith	
Amasa Barton	Greenville
John G. White	West Side Irrigation Co.
Stanley McKnight	Rocky Ford Irrigation Co.
R. T. Brown	Barton Ditch - Aberdare Canal
Thomas Muir	Wildcat - Indian Creek
Clifton Beaumont	Indian Creek
Rex Limb	West Side Irrigation Co.
Kent Morgan	West Side Irrigation Co.
Glen Hutchings	Harris Ditch
A. F. Woodhouse	Second South Bench Res. & Irrig. Co.
Glenn Gillies	Harris Ditch
Stan Oakden	Birch Creek & South Creek
Earl Limb	Lower Beaver River
Gene Tanner	Telluride Power Co.
Delvin Smith	Kents Lake
Gilbert T. Yardley	
C. Edwin Paice	2nd Northeast Bench & Willis Ditch
S. Taylor Farnsworth	2nd Northeast Bench
Rex L. Smith	
Clark W. Smith	
James B. Morgan	
B. Nowers	South Creek Mutual Assn.
Don Baldwin	Manderfield Irrigation Co.
Richard Oakden	Beaver City Council
William R. Yardley	South Bench
Jay Swindlehurst	Northwest Canal
Robert O. Christiansen	North Creek Irrigation Co.
Doyle Twitchell	North Creek Irrigation Co.
Reed Smith	West Field - South Field