

July - East Fork Virgin River

MEETING OF THE WATER USERS OF LONG VALLEY
Held at Orderville, Utah, Mon. April 5, 1954.

Pursuant to a notice sent out by mail to the users of irrigation water in Long Valley, Kane County, Utah, a meeting of this group was held at the home of Mark Chamberlain in Orderville, Utah, Mon. April 5, 1954, at 8:00 o'clock P.M.

Present thethe meeting was Lyle Chamberlain, independent water user, Marcellus Johnson, Pres. of Glendale Irrigation Co., Mark Chamberlain, Pres. and M. G. Holgate and Lawrence Esplin members of the board of directors of the Orderville Irrigation Co., LaDru C. Sorensen, Pres., and Birt Gardner and Charles T. Hepworth stockholders in the Mt. Carmel Irrigation Co. Several independent water users had recieved notice of the meeting from the office of the State Engineer but were not present at the meeting. Those present were representing over 9/10 of the persons directly interested in the distribution of the primary flow of the East Fork of the Virgin River, and therefore considered themselves justly empowered to proceed with the business of the meeting.

A motion was made By Mark Chamberlain to appoint Marcellus Johnson to be chairman of the meeting and Birt Gardner to be secretary. The motion was 2nd by LaDru Sorensen and passed by vote. Minutes of the previous meeting of this same group which was held at Mt. Carmel on March 30, 1953, was read by the secretary. A motion to approve these minutes, made by LaDru C. Sorensen was 2nd by M. G. Holgate and approved by vote.

The Chairman stated that the chief business of the meeting was to select and recommend someone to the State Engineer for his appointment as Water Commissioner and asked for suggestions or nominations. A number of persons were considered as possible candidates for the job, among these was the name of Charles T. Hepworth of Orderville, Utah. After brief discussion it was found that all present would agree to his appointment if he would accept the job. A messenger was sent to his home and he was invited to come in and discuss the proposition while the meeting was in session.

Mr. Hepworth, after some discussion about what would be required of him, decided to accept the appointment and a motion was made by LaDru C. Sorensen to send his recommendation in to the State Engineer. This motion 2nd by Mark Chamberlain and passed by vote.

A motion was made by Mark Chamberlain, after agreement was reached with Mr. Hepworth, That the Commissioner should be paid at the rate of \$1.00 per hour for his time on the job and 5¢ per mile for necessary travel milage, also that he keep a record of his trips with dates, time worked, miles traveled, ditches checked, mesurements and findings etc., Further that when adjustments were made in the ditch or canal flow the owner of the ditch or the maintenance man for the canal should be so notified so that he could co-operate in the work of maintaining a fair distribution of the available irrigation water. This motion was 2nd by Lyle Chamberlain and passed by vote.

The business of the meeting was thus completed and a motion to adjourn, made by Lyle Chamberlain and 2nd by M. G. Holgate, was passed by vote.

Birt Gardner, Secy.