

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVERS  
WATER USERS HELD IN THE DUCHESNE COUNTY COURT HOUSE  
MARCH 6, 1978, at 1:00 p.m.

President Ray Thomas presiding and conducting the meeting.

Minutes of the annuan meeting held March 14, 1977, were read.

Moved by Mr. Melvin White and seconded by Loryn S. Ross that the minutes be approved.

Motion carried.

Present:

Don C. Norseth	Division of Water Rights Engineer Utah
John Bene	Deputy State Engineer
Robert Guy	Vernal Area Engineer
Maurice E. Harvey	Uintah Basin Irrigation Co.
Loryn S. Ross	Uintah Basin Irrigation Co.
Dorden Foster	Independent filing
Ted Baldwin	Division of Water Rights - Utah
Joe Clayburn	Bureau of Indian Affairs
Lee L. Brady	Central Utah Water District
Jay Abbott	Rocky Point Ditch
David K. Clayburn	Duchesne Irrigation Co. & Commissioner
Kipp Merkley	Rocky Point Ditch
Art Fabrizio	Rocky Point Ditch
Theron Robb	Shanks Ditch
Merlin Broadhead	Broadhead & Knight Diversion
Gerald Burdick	Rocky Point Ditch
Howard Cowan	Rocky Point Ditch
Delbert Broadhead	Broadhead-Wright Ditch
Earl Wright	Broadhead-Wright Ditch
Earvin Murphy	Duchesne Irrigation Co.
David H. Scheffey	Bureau of Indian Affairs
John Saunders	Bureau of Indian Affairs
L. R. Swasey	Rocky Point Ditch
Ray Thomas	Duchesne River Filings
Melvin White	Murray-White Ditch
C.C. Mickelson	Strawberry River Filings

The meeting was turned to Mr. Don Norseth, Directing Engineer of the State.

Mr. Norseth discussed the problem of Water Distribution on the rivers and throughout the State.

The outlook for 1978 Water year; Wasatch Front will be normal, the Uintah Basin will be about normal, parts of the Basin to the North will be short of water, Logan Area will be about 250% of Normal and Southern Utah will be short but improving.

Mr Norseth presented to the Water Users the Financial Statement, Budget Report and list of 1977 delinquent Water Assessments.

DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVERS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1977

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

A.	Balance of Distribution Trust Funds January 1, 1977	\$5,128.63
B.	Receipts and Expenditures:	
1.	Receipts	
(a)	Regualr Assessments	\$ 9,446.43
(b)	Delinquent Collections	24,84
(c)	Total Receipts	9,471.27
2.	Expenditures (see attached)	\$11,463.48
C.	Balance of Distribution Trust Funds December 31, 1977	\$3,136.42

Moved by Mr. Loryn Ross and seconded by Mr. Maurice Harvey that the report be approved as presented by Mr. Norseth for 1977. Motion Carried.

OFFICE OF STATE ENGINEER  
DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVERS  
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1977 Budget <u>Item No.</u>	<u>Description of Budget Item</u>	1977 <u>Amount Approved</u>	Total 1977 <u>Expenditures</u>
1.	Commissioner's Salary	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
1-C	Matching Social Security	450.00	438.75 <sup>1/</sup>
1-F	Matching State Retirement	500.00	571.91 <sup>1/</sup>
2.	Commissioner's Travel Expense \$.15/mile	2,300.00	1,801.35 <sup>2/</sup>
3.	Commissioner's Phone Expense	100.00	160.09 <sup>2/</sup>
4.	Bonds & Insurance Premiums	60.00	68.87 <sup>3/</sup>
5.	Distribution Supplies & Equipment	823.60	589.71 <sup>4/</sup>
6.	Miscellaneous Expenses	326.40	93.75 <sup>4/</sup>
7.	Annual Report (1977)	240.00	118.05
8.	Board of Directors Expense	500.00	121.00
9.	Dep. Commissioner if needed	500.00	-0-
	Total 1977 Budget	<u>\$13,300.00</u>	<u>\$11,463.48</u>
	Total 1977 Assm't	\$ 9,000.00	

- <sup>1/</sup>As of July 1, 1977 State Retirement rate increased to 8.15%
- <sup>2/</sup>Over-expenditure approved by Donald C. Norseth as deemed necessary due to drought conditions, on basis of Budget Item #6.
- <sup>3/</sup>Consists of: Commissioner's Fidelity Bond Premium \$20.00, State insurance Fund \$48.87.
- <sup>4/</sup>consists of: \$91.25 paid to Stranger & Brown, Attorney at Law, approved by Chairman, and \$2.50 for Xerox copies for Commissioner.

1977 DELINQUENT WATER ASSESSMENTS (as of 2-27-77)

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Total Amount Due</u>
14	Weldon Brown	\$215.47
46	Jay Abbott	13.18
54	Elmer Moon	30.09
55	James Mountain	6.62
56	Alden Muir	8.75

73	Glen Remund	2.35
76	Riverdell Canal Co	90.65
78	Arnold Robbins	9.96
93	Wright Ranch Corporation	36.23
99	William R. Williams	21.26
103	Paul Young	17.63
104	Wright Ranch Corporation	71.31
109	Bert Young	9.02
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:		<u>\$532.52</u>

Moved by Mr. Loryn Ross and seconded by Mr. Maurice Harvey that the reports be approved as presented by Mr. Norseth for 1977. Motion carried.

A Budget for the year 1978 was recommended as follows:

DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVERS WATER USERS ASSOCIATION BUDGET  
FOR YEAR 1978

<u>Budget Item</u>	<u>Description of Budget Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Commissioner's Salary	\$8,500.00
1-C	Matching Social Security	550.00
1-F	Matching State Retirement	700.00
2	Commissioner's Travel Expense 15¢ per mile	2,000.00
3	Commissioner's Phone Expense	100.00
4	Bonds & Insurance Premiums	80.00
5	Distribution Supplies & Equipment	200.00
6	Miscellaneous Expense	150.00
7	Annual Report (1978)	150.00
8	Board of Directors Expense	500.00
9	Dep. Commissioner if needed	-0-
10	Other	70.00

Moved by Mr. Melvin White and seconded by Mr. Loryn Ross that the Budget for 1978 totaling \$13,000.00 be approved and that the State Engineer make assessments accordingly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Jay Abbott that Kenneth Clayburn be appointed Commissioner of the Water Users for year 1978 at a salary of \$8500.00 per year. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Clayburn presented the annual report and activities and distribution of Water and use for the year 1977. Copies of the report were given to the Water Users present.

Moved by Mr. Mickelson and seconded by Mr. Brady that the report be accepted and approved, that Mr. Clayburn be commended for the good work done. Motion Carried.

Mr. Leo Brady of the Central Utah Water Users presented a report of the Use of Central Distribution System. That water had been furnished to all filing that requested to purchase the water. The Starvation Reservoir has been a life saver to the farmers during the 1977 drought season.

William Peatross was elected to represent the Strawberry River Water Filing.

*Morris H. Harvey - Myton Director*  
Meeting adjourned