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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED WATER USERS  
OF THE DUCHESNE AND STRAWBERRY RIVERS  
WITH THE STATE ENGINEER AND THE  
UINTAH INDIAN IRRIGATION PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES

This meeting was called to order in the Duchesne County Court Room on March 12, 1969 by Don Norseth, representative from the State Engineers office. With Mr. Norseth was Robert Guy, Area Engineer of the State Engineer from Vernal, John Bene and Frank Reese,

Don Norseth reported that the State of Utah, as a whole, had received an enormous amount of snow fall during the last winter, and that perhaps the most critical water problems in the immediate future could be the flood threats throughout the state.

Mr. Norseth reported that the meeting had been called for the following purposes:

1. Hearing the minutes of the 1968 meeting.
2. Hearing the financial report for 1968 as prepared by Mr. Frank Reese of the State Engineers office.
3. Hearing the 1968 Water Commissioner Report.
4. For preparing a budget of expenses and receipts of the Duchesne and Strawberry Distribution system, and for making recommendations to the State Engineer, for a Water Commissioner for the 1969 season.

With this introduction the time was turned to the president of the Duchesne and Strawberry rivers water users, Mr. Ray Thomas. Mr. Thomas called for the 1968 minutes, they were read by Leland Wright. After hearing the minutes there was a motion made by Frank Liddell, and seconded by Harvey Gee that the minutes be accepted as read. The motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Frank Reese, controller for the State Engineer's office gave the following report:

1968  
DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL BALANCES, RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

A. Balance of Distribution Funds January 1, 1968:		\$ 3,907.58
B. Receipts and Expenditures:		
1. Receipts		
(a) Regular Assessments	\$ 6,709.09	
(b) Delinquent Collections	\$ 45.53	
(c) Total Receipts	\$ 6,754.62	
2. Expenditures (see attached)	\$ 7,247.68	
C. Balance of Distribution Funds December 31, 1968:		\$ 3,414.52

STATE OF UTAH

OFFICE OF STATE ENGINEER

DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVERS  
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1968

Budget

Item No.

Description of Budget Item:

Amount Approved  
(1968)

Total 1968  
Expenditures:

1.	Commissioner's Salary	\$ 5,300.00	\$ 5,300/00
2.	Matching Social Security Tax	233.20	233.20
3.	Matching State Retirement	212.00	212.00
4.	Commissioner's Travel Expense	1,250.00	997.20
5.	Commissioner's Telephone Expense	100.00	33.24
6.	Bonds and Insurance Premiums	30.00	28.34
7.	Distribution Supplies & Equipment	360.00	201.17
8.	Miscellaneous Expense	29.80	-0-
9.	Annual Report (1967)	85.00	84.89
10.	Board of Directors Expense	200.00	157.64

TOTAL 1968 BUDGET

\$ 7,800/00

\$ 7,800.00

TOTAL 1968 ASSESSMENT

\$ 7,000.00

## STATE OF UTAH

## OFFICE OF STATE ENGINEER

DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVER  
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1968 DELINQUENT WATER ASSESSMENTS (as of Feb. 11, 1969)

<u>ACC'T NO.</u>	<u>NAME AND ADDRESS:</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:</u>
1.	Peter F. Abplanalp C/O Osburn Carter 1095 Carterville Road Provo, Utah 84601	\$ 7.23
3.	Tom Appah Duchesne, Utah 84021	10.49 (1964-1968)
6.	Wilbur Bates Box 294, Duchesne, Utah 84021	12.52 (1966-1968)
7.	Wm. R. Peatross Duchesne, Utah 84021	10.99
8.	William Simmons Heber, Utah 84032	4.13
14.	Clara Brown C/O Weldon Brown Duchesne, Utah 84021	49.99 (1965-1968)
36.	Delmore Ivie Duchesne, Utah 84021	9.80 (1967-1968)
40.	Raleigh Ivie Duchesne, Utah 84021	29.22 (1966-1968)
47.	Albert Mezenen C/O Lloyd Lewis Duchesne, Utah 84021	7.92
50.	Moon Lake Water Users Assoc. C/O Louis Galloway, Secr. Roosevelt, Utah 84066	68.24
64.	Wm. R. Peatross Duchesne, Utah 84021	7.15
85.	Tabby Irrigation Co. C/O Earl H. Van Tassell, Secr. Tabiona, Utah 84072	224.25
92.	Ute Indian Tribe C/O Thomas G. Appah Duchesne, Utah 84021	14.22 (1964-1968)

1968 DELINQUENT WATER ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

<u>ACC'T NO:</u>	<u>NAME AND ADDRESS:</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:</u>
99.	William R. Williams Duchesne, Utah 84021	\$ 41.80 (1967-1968)
103.	Paul Young Fruitland, Utah 84027	76.32 (1964-1968)
105.	Mrs. Ferris M. Giles Hanna, Utah 84031	4.85
110.	John Young Fruitland, Utah 84027	39.78 (1964-1968)
114.	Hidden Valley Irr. Inc. P. O. Box 363 Tabiona, Utah 84072	5.56 (1965 only)

TOTAL AMOUNT DELINQUENT \$ 624.46

COLLECTIONS TO DATE \$ 253.45

BALANCE \$ 370.99 (3/11/69)

President Thomas asked for questions on the report given by Mr. Reese. A motion was made by Harvey Gee and seconded by Leo Haueter to accept the report as given by Mr. Reese. Those in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

WATER COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Leo Brady 1968 Water Commissioner for the Duchesne and Strawberry Water Users reported that the 1968 season had been a good one for the water users of this system. He reported that up until the 15th of August there was no regulations required on the delivery of water. This was only a short period of time which was't any problem for the water users. Mr. Brady reported that he could see no possible delivery problem for the year 1969. He also reported on the progress of the Starvation Storage Unit, stating that it would of been advantageous to have been able to store some of the expected excess run off that will flow in the streams this spring in the reservoir. However, if construction goes as scheduled completion will be made this fall and storage should be able to be started at this time.

Mr. Brady reported on the measuring devices which he and Mr. Guy had been assigned to work on by the State Engineer at the 1968 annual meeting. He stated that he and Mr. Guy had spent some ~~money~~<sup>TIME</sup> on the distribution system regarding the measuring devices during the year 1968. That the measuring devices were in the same category as reported in the 1964 Commissioner's report with the State Engineer.

#### ADJUDICATION

A question was asked from the floor as to the progress made on the adjudication of water rights on the Duchesne and Strawberry rivers. Mr. Robert Guy reported that during the past year Leo Brady had been working with him regarding the adjudicated rights of the users in this area. He reported at the present time they were working on the Strawberry drainage area. He anticipated that this would be completed by July 1st.

The goal for the people on the Duchesne drainage was set for December of this year. Mr. Guy related the time involved and the detailed reports that was involved in getting this ready for adjudication.

Also discussed was the anticipated trouble that would be brought upon the water users of disturbing the natural streams along in this area. Especially concerned were the users of the Rocky Point Ditch Co. of the silt and debris from the Benson Draw area, immediately below the Knight's Diversion tunnel.

A motion was made by Harvey Gee, seconded by John Munz that any potential trouble resulting from distributing a natural stream flow be the responsibility of the Bureau of Reclamation or the Central Utah Project.

#### APPLICATION FOR THE 1969 WATER COMMISSIONER

At this time the application of Mr. Brady was presented. (Copy of letter follows:

Mr. Ray Thomas  
Chairman of Board  
Duchesne & Strawberry Rivers Water Users Ass'n.

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I would like to make formal application to serve as Water Commissioner on the Duchesne & Strawberry Rivers distribution system during 1969 year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for the support and assistance rendered during the past year. I look forward to continuing this relationship in the future.

Resp. Yours,

S/ Leo L. Brady  
Water Commissioner

No other applications were submitted. A motion was made by Melvin White to accept the application of Leo L. Brady, and recommend to the State Engineer that he be appointed Water Commissioner of the Duchesne and Strawberry Rivers distribution system for the year 1969. This was seconded by Harvey Gee.

Mr. Don Norseth responded in behalf of Hubert C. Lambert, State Engineer, and reported that they had been pleased with the work done by Mr. Brady in the past, and would be happy to appoint Leo L. Brady for Water Commissioner for the coming year.

PROPOSED 1969 BUDGET

The proposed 1969 budget in the amount of \$7,900.00 was presented:

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Description of Budget Item</u>	<u>Proposed 1969 Budget</u>
1.	Commissioner's Salary	\$ 5,300.00
2.	Matching Social Security	254.40
3.	Matching State Retirement	212.00
4.	Commissioner's Travel Expense	1,250.00
5.	Commissioner's Telephone Expense	100.00
6.	Bonds & Insurance Premiums	30.00
7.	Distribution Supplies & Equipment	340.00
8.	Miscellaneous Expense	33.60
9.	Annual Report (1968)	180.00*
10.	Board of Directors	200.00
TOTAL PROPOSED		\$ 7,900.00

\* Annual Report Budget would be for 1968 and 1969.

After hearing the proposed 1969 budget there was a motion made by Frank Liddell, and seconded by Earl Wright that the water users go on record authorizing the State Engineer to assess the water users \$7,500.00 and call on the bank reserve for the additional \$400.00, making a total of \$7,900.00, authorizing the State Engineer to over expend \$200.00 on any budget item, not to exceed an over all expenditure of \$8,100.00.

OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Jack Nielsen requested that the State Engineer place on the mailing list the Uintah Irrigation Project at Fort Duchesne to receive a copy of the financial statement mailed to Duchesne and Strawberry distributions systems in the future. For the State Engineers mailing purpose we would also like to report that you can delete the name of Clark Roberts of Myton, Utah, and in his place enter the name of Leon Ross, Myton, Utah as a committee member of this organization.

The following attended the meeting:

NAME

Don Norseth  
Leo L. Brady  
Frank Liddell  
Jack Nielsen  
Joe Clayburn  
Jay R. Udy  
Leo Haueter  
Leon Ross  
Glen Remund  
L. R. Swasey  
Kipp Merkley  
Harvey Gee  
Melvin B. White  
Earl N. Wright  
Earl Gingell  
Delbert Broadhead  
C. C. Mickelson  
John Munz  
Lloyd Remund  
Roy Eliason  
Herb Allen  
Elton Potter  
Robert F. Guy  
John Bene  
Frank Reese  
Ray Thomas  
Leland Wright

REPRESENTING

Division of Water Rights  
Duchesne & Strawberry Rivers  
Duchesne & Strawberry Board Member  
Uintah Indian Irrigation Project  
Uintah Indian Irrigation Project  
Utah Fish & Game  
Duchesne & Strawberry  
Uintah Basin Irrigation Co.  
Rocky Point Ditch Co.  
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Rocky Point Ditch Co.  
Murray White Canal Co.  
Broadhead Ditch  
Uintah Basin Irrigation Co.  
Broadhead Ditch  
Private Ditch, Strawberry  
Rocky Point Ditch Co.  
Rocky Point Ditch Co. & Strawberry  
Duchesne City  
U. S. Forest Service  
Pioneer Canal Co.  
Area Engineer - State Engineers Office  
Deputy State Engineer  
Controller  
Duchesne & Strawberry Rivers  
Duchesne & Strawberry Rivers

Submitted by:

Leland Wright, Secr. & Treas.  
Duchesne & Strawberry Associated Water Users  
Duchesne, Utah

