

**Little Cottonwood Creek Distribution Water Users Committee
Committee Meeting Of January 17, 2008
Held At 3:30 PM**

Place: Murray City Power Plant, 153 West 4800 South
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Meeting Agenda:

1. Welcome – Mike Black
2. Minutes Of The Prior Meeting – Mike Black
3. Creek Commissioner Report – Tim O’Hara & Max Reese
4. Election Of New Officers
5. Sandy Shut-Off Repair Issue
6. Request Lee Sim To Explain Administrative Rule 655-15
7. New Business
8. Schedule Next Meeting
9. Other Business
10. Adjourn

Little Cottonwood Water Rights Distribution Committee
REGULAR Committee Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2008

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PRESENT:

IRRIGATORS GROUP:

- Walt White, Walker Ditch Company
- Ron Vance, South Despain Ditch Company
- Max Reese, Tanner Ditch Company
- Mike Black, Little Cottonwood Tanner Ditch Company

MUNICIPAL GROUP:

- Mike Wilson, MWDSLS, representing Sandy City
- Dallin Ewell, MWDSLS
- Peggy Garcia, SLC Public Utilities, representing Cahoon-Maxfield Irrigation
- David Maiorano, SLC Public Utilities

OTHER IN ATTENDANCE:

- Tim O'Hara, Creek Commissioner
- Lee Sim, Division of Water Rights
- Ben Anderson, Division of Water Rights
- John Mann, Division of Water Rights
- Rod Sorensen, Sandy City
- Glen Lundberg, Murray City Power
- Jim Wilson, LCCC Secretary

Mike Black called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

The Minutes of the prior meeting held October 18, 2007 were read by Mike Black. Motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Rod Sorensen and seconded by Ron Vance. This motion carried.

The Creek Commissioner's Report was presented by Tim O'Hara and Max Reese. Tim distributed copies of the Little Cottonwood Creek Annual Report for the 2007 Irrigation Season as prepared by Tim O'Hara and Max Reese. Highlights from the report were discussed. Tim advised that the 2007 season was generally good and quiet with few problems. Max Reese noted that the maximum creek flow peaked at 272 cfs on May 20, 2007. Some problems still need resolution with regard to measuring devices and recording accuracy. There continues to be some discrepancy between the spot measurements and those from the installed measurement devices. Mike Wilson noted that the new measurement devices installed by Metropolitan are being continuously monitored and improved. Overall, there was adequate water for the irrigation season since Deer Creek was lowered. The current weather and snow pack conditions at this point in 2008 appear to be leading toward an average year for water in the Little Cottonwood Creek System. Tim stressed the need to a current list of contacts along the system in the event that issues needed to be discussed.

Mike Black opened discussions regarding the assignment of new officers for the 2008 season. It was recommended that Mike Black act as Chairman and Rod Sorensen as Vice Chairman for the 2008 season. This selection will be voted on during the Annual Meeting to follow.

Glen Lundberg reported on the repairs to the Sandy siphon/shut off system. The repairs are complete and re-seeding will be done in the spring.

Lee Sim discussed the Administrative Rule 655-15 regarding the establishment of operating guidelines for the various distribution systems. These guidelines address the hiring, replacement and training of Distribution System Commissioner's. A more formal hiring and training process was considered necessary to avoid unplanned interruptions to the overall water distribution process. The new administration rule specifies the responsibilities and authority of Commissioner's. It also provides for hiring and training of Deputy Commissioner's for a period of up to 1 year to ensure effective transition.

Lee Sim opened discussion on the Financial Statement for 2007 and the proposed budget for the 2008 season. Copies of the Little Cottonwood Creek Distribution System Trust Fund 2007 Financial Statement were distributed for review. Regarding the delinquent water assessment for Walker Ditch, Peggy Garcia noted that she has not been receiving the billing assessment in order to process payment. Corrective action was noted and this item will be cleared. Lee reviewed the budget and related expenditures for the 2007 season. The proposed budget for the 2008 season was discussed and the following recommendations were proposed and agreed to by the Committee:

- A 4% increase in Salary with resulting changes to Social Security.
- Travel expense increased to \$550. based on \$0.505 cents per mile.
- Secretary expense remained at \$400.
- Office Expense was increased to \$150. for the cost of document printing.
- Telephone expense was increased to \$500.
- Miscellaneous expense was lowered to \$250.
- State Engineer Assessment was increased to \$1,134.

The following proposed budget will be presented at the Annual Meeting for motion and approval.

- Tim O'Hara:
 - Salary \$ 6,687
 - Social Security \$ 511
 - Insurance \$ 70
 - Travel Expense \$ 550
- Max Reese:
 - Salary \$ 6,687
 - Social Security \$ 511
 - Insurance \$ 70
 - Travel Expense \$ 550
- Secretary Expense \$ 400
- Office Expense \$ 150
- Telephone Expense \$ 500
- Miscellaneous Expense \$ 250
- State Engineer Assessment \$ 1,134
- Total Proposed 2008 Budget \$ 18,070

It was recommended that the 2008 Assessment be \$16,500.

There was no other new business to be discussed at this time.

The next Committee Meeting was scheduled for 4:00 pm, April 17, 2008 at the Murray City Power Plant, 153 West, 4800 South.

Motion to adjourn the regular Committee Meeting was made by Peggy Garcia and seconded by Rod Sorensen. This motion carried. This meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

**LITTLE COTTONWOOD CREEK DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM
ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING
JANUARY 17, 2008
HELD AT THE MURRAY POWER PLANT**

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- Rod Sorensen, Sandy City
- Glen Lundberg, Murray City Power
- Jim Wilson, LCCC Secretary
- Lloyd Jones, Brown Ditch Co.
- Bob Despain, North Despain Ditch & North Despain Extension
- Susan Despain, North Despain Ditch & North Despain Extension
- Jim Williams, Cottonwood Hydro / Whitmore
- Bill Moore, Union & East Jordan Irrigation Co.
- Michael Wilson, Cahoon & Maxfield / Salt Lake City

Mike Black called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm and welcomed all in attendance. Those in attendance were asked to state their name and affiliation. The Agenda for the Annual Meeting was distributed by Lee Sim. Lee advised the group that this meeting would be recorded due to the new state requirement that public meetings be recorded.

Mike Black read the minutes from the prior year Annual Water Users Meeting held January 18, 2007. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Ron Vance and seconded by Peggy Garcia. This motion carried.

The Creek Commissioner's Report was presented by Tim O'Hara and Max Reese. Tim distributed copies of the Little Cottonwood Creek Annual Report for the 2007 Irrigation Season as prepared by Tim O'Hara and Max Reese. Highlights from the report were discussed. Tim advised that the 2007 season was generally good and quiet with few problems. Max Reese noted that the maximum creek flow peaked at 272 cfs on May 20, 2007. Some problems still need resolution with regard to measuring devices and recording accuracy. There continues to be some discrepancy between the spot measurements and those from the installed measurement

devices. Mike Wilson noted that the new measurement devices installed by Metropolitan are being continuously monitored and improved. Overall, there was adequate water for the irrigation season since Deer Creek was lowered. The current weather and snow pack conditions at this point in 2008 appear to be leading toward an average year for water in the Little Cottonwood Creek System. Tim stressed the need to a current list of contacts along the system in the event that issues needed to be discussed. Rod Sorensen made a motion to accept the Commissioner's Report. This motion was seconded by Susan Despain. The motion carried.

Lee Sim updated the group on the State's effort to deal with violations along the distribution system. The State process for dealing with violations will protect the identity of informants who provide information to the State.

Lee Sim opened discussion on the Financial Statement for 2007 and the proposed budget for the 2008 season. Copies of the Little Cottonwood Creek Distribution System Trust Fund 2007 Financial Statement were distributed for review. Regarding the delinquent water assessment for Walker Ditch, Peggy Garcia noted that she has not been receiving the billing assessment in order to process payment. Corrective action was noted and this item will be cleared. Lee reviewed the budget and related expenditures for the 2007 season. The proposed budget for the 2008 season was discussed and the following recommendations were proposed and agreed to by the Committee:

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It was recommended that the 2008 Assessment be \$16,500. Mike Wilson made a motion to accept the 2007 financial report with the proposed budget and assessment for the 2008 season. This motion was seconded by Ron Vance. The motion carried.

Mike Black opened discussions regarding the assignment of new officers for the 2008 season. It was recommended that Mike Black act as Chairman and Rod Sorensen as Vice Chairman for the 2008 season. Mike Wilson made a motion to accept these recommended assignments. This motion was seconded by Peggy Garcia. The motion carried.

Glen Lundberg reported on the repairs to the Sandy siphon/shut off system. The repairs are complete and reseeded will be done in the spring.

Jim Williams with the Cottonwood Hydro Co raised a question to the group regarding the diversion of water from the lower channel back into the main upper channel. He was advised to contact John Mann at the State regarding this matter.

Lee Sim discussed the Administrative Rule 655-15 regarding the establishment of operating guidelines for the various distribution systems. These guidelines address the hiring, replacement and training of Distribution System Commissioner's. A more formal hiring and training process was considered necessary to avoid unplanned interruptions to the overall water distribution process. The new administration rule specifies the responsibilities and authority of Commissioner's. It also provides for hiring and training of Deputy Commissioner's for a period of up to 1 year to ensure effective transition.

There was no other new business to be discussed at this time.

The next Annual Meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

Peggy Garcia made a motion to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Mike Wilson. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

DISTRIBUTION LIST FOR MINUTES:

PER JEFF SNELLING EMAIL OF 3/28/07, THE DISTRIBUTION LIST FOR MINUTES IS AS FOLLOWS:

- JEFF SNELLING
- MIKE BLACK
- MAX REESE
- DAVID CLINE
- RON VANCE
- CRAIG JOHNSON
- MIKE WILSON
- PEGGY GARCIA
- TIM O'HARA
- LEE SIM