

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE MINUTES TAKEN AT THE MEETING OF THE STATE ENGINEERS WATER USERS MEETING OF THE DUCHESNE, STRAWBERRY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM HELD IN THE COURTHOUSE IN DUCHESNE, UTAH, ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY AT 2:00 P.M. THE 19TH.

The meeting was brought to order by the State Engineer, Mr. Tracy. Present were Mr. H. C. Lambert, State Engineers Office, Mr. R. B. Porter, Att. Generals Office, ~~R. A.~~ Reese, State Engineers Office, B. O. Colton and members of the executive committee of the Duchesne and Strawberry River Water Users Association, Mr. Elwood B. Carter, Chairman, Louis Galloway, Secretary, ~~Louis Galloway, Secretary,~~ Glen Remund, John Munz, Joe Clayburn and Joe Wilcken, representatives of their respective districts.

The following is a list of others present at the meeting:

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Francis Brooks
R. Earl Dillman
Leo H. Haueter
John H. Haslem
William N. Brotherson
Hale Holgate
C. Darwin Brotherson
Napier Swasey
Clarence Oman
Fred M. Hayes
Lloyd Remund
Alfonzo Defa
Elton Potter
Harry Seaton
Ray Thomas
Frank F. Meyer Jr.
Kenneth L. Wilkinson
Keith Lewis
Andrew Defa
June Roberts
Burton E. Tew
Wilson C. Gutzman ✓
Jess Christensen
Bert Mayhew
Wm. R. Williams
Ivon Brown
Melvin Broadhead
P. E. Church
Theron H. Robb
Wm. H. Crozier
Joe Clayburn
Byron S. Collett
Jerry Merkley
Howard Cowan
Melvin B. White
Earl Wright
Joe Wilcken
Jack E. Nielsen

Red Creek Irrigation Co.
Dry Gulch Irrigation Co.
Pres. Dry Gulch Irrigation Co.
Moon Lake Water Users Association
South Boneta Inc.
Uteland Ditch Co.
Lake Fork Western Irrigation Co.
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Strawberry
Strawberry
Hodges Creek
Pioneer Canal

O. T. Hicken Ditch
Duchesne Irrigation
Pioneer Canal Co.
Pioneer Canal Co.
Tabiona, Utah
Farm Creek Irrigation Co.
Farnsworth Canal & Resev.
Indian Service ✓
Farnsworth Canal & Resev. Co.
Pioneer Canal Co.
Wagstaff Ditch
Brown Ditch
West Rock Creek
Myton, Utah
Shanks Ditch
Uintah Lake Fork Rivers Assoc. Water Users
Duchesne Irrigation Co.
Mitchell Ditch
Duchesne Rocky Point Ditch Co.
Rocky Point Ditch Co.
Murray White Canal
Broadhead Ditch
Big Spring Ditch
Roosevelt, Utah



Lloyd Smith	Duchesne District County Agent
Charlie Fabrizio	Rhoades Canal, Hanna, Utah
Leo B. Defa	Farm Creek
Glen Remund	Strawberry
John Munz	Rocky Point Ditch
Vernal Bromley	Rocky Point Ditch
Marion Ross	Uintah Basin Irrigation Co.
Dorothy Bertola	O. T. Hicken Ditch, Tabiona
Claude Murray	Moon Lake & Dry Gulch
Emil Munz	Rocky Point Ditch Co.
Mrs. Lulu Munz, Secretary	Rocky Point Ditch Co.
Clarence Baum	Baum, Mezener and Fred C. Ferron
T. H. Anderton	Shanks Ditch
C. A. Massie	Irrig. Mgr. Indian Irrig. Service
Kermit Poulson	Rocky Point Ditch Co. - Pulley Canal Co.
Mont S. Poulson	Strawberry River
Earl H. VanTassell	Tabby Irrigation Co.
Harvey Gee	Rocky Point Ditch
W. E. Williams	Private Filling - Strawberry River
E. W. Lewis	Tabby Irrigation Co.
Joe Wilcken	Big Spring
Leland Wright	Wright Ditch - Duchesne River

The State Engineer, Mr. Tracy, read Utah Code, Section 73-5-1, 1953 annotated.

It was generally conceded that the majority of the water users of the system were present and represented.

Mr. Tracy ask for nominations for a chairman to conduct the meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Emil Munz, and seconded by Leland Wright that Elwood Carter be made chairman of the meeting and Mr. Louis Galloway act as secretary. Motion carried.

Mr. Carter explained the reasons for the meeting having been called -- to assure a fair distribution of the water in the Duchesne and Strawberry Rivers. He stated that a meeting had been held in the Roosevelt Stake House in July of 1954, with a representative majority of the water users present. It was here at this meeting that the possibility of going under the jurisdiction of the State Engineer was first discussed. It was again brought up at the annual meeting of the Duchesne and Strawberry Rivers Water Users Association the first Saturday in February, 1955, and again in their meeting in February of 1956. He further stated that legal counsel of Edwin Skeen of Salt Lake City had been sought and Mr. Skeen had advised the company to go under the jurisdiction of the state engineer.

An executive committee had been selected by the people and several meetings had been held by said committee with members of the Indian Department. It was decided that the system would go under the jurisdiction of the state engineer and that a water commissioner be hired on an appointment basis.

A motion was made by Marion Ross that B. O. Colton be retained as Water Commissioner for the Duchesne and Strawberry River Water Distribution System. The motion was seconded by Henry Farr. Motion carried.

A motion was made that authority be delegated to the water commissioner to select a gateman to distribute the water of the Duchesne and Strawberry Rivers, said gateman to meet with the approval of the executive committee. Motion was made by Emil Munz and seconded by Marion Ross. Motion carried.

Mr. Carter stated that it would be necessary to have these meetings each year in order to select a water commissioner.

The following budget was read by Mr. ~~A. A.~~ Reese and submitted for approval:

BUDGET FOR 1957
DUCHESNE-STRAWBERRY RIVER
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Water Commissioner Salary @ \$150.00 per month Travel - 6¢ per mile Telephone Social Security Matching	\$1800.00 300.00 150.00 45.00
2	Gateman Salary 1400 hrs. @ 1.50 per hr. Travel - 6¢ per mile Social Security Matching	\$2100.00 900.00 50.00
3	Bonds and Insurance Premiums	50.00
4	Office Supplies and Equipment	100.00
5	State Engineer Administration Expense	150.00
6	Commissioner's Annual Report	300.00
7	Miscellaneous Expense	140.00
8	Office Rent	165.00
		<hr/> \$6,250.00

A motion was made to accept the budget as read and that the State Engineer be authorized to levee an assessment to cover this expense. The assessment to be based on the 1956 delivery on an acre foot basis. Motion was made by Clarence Baum. Seconded by Joe Clayburn and Earl VanTassell. Motion carried.

A motion was made that the water commissioner make a list of water measuring devises required and furnich the state engineer with names and locations of measuring devises to be installed in order that the water be measured in accordance with the law. Motion was made by Marion Ross and seconded by Byron S. Collett. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hale Holgate that accounts and records be kept on a calendar basis and that an annual meeting of the Duchesne, Strawberry River Water Users be called for the second Saturday in February. The motion was seconded by Allan Massie. Motion carried.

On February 9, 1957, the following men were voted in to represent their particular districts of the Duchesne and Strawberry Rivers.

District No. 1 - Elwood Carter
District No. 2 - Glen Remund
District No. 3 - John Munz
District No. 4 - Joe Clayburn
District No. 5 - Joe Wilcken

Secretary - Louis Galloway

A motion was made to ratify the appointment of these men. The motion was made by Melvin White and seconded by Vernal Bromley. Motion carried.

A motion was made that the State Engineer be authorized to make the accounts and records for the 1957 to cover the period March 1st to December 31, 1957. The motion was made by Emil Munz and seconded by June Roberts. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Emil Munz and seconded by June Roberts. MEETING ADJOURNED.

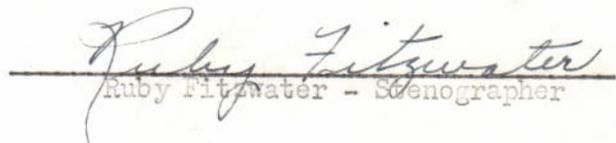
Signed



Elwood B. Carter - Chairman



Louis Galloway - Secretary



Ruby Fitzwater - Scenographer