

FREMONT RIVER DISTRIBUTION MEETING MINUTES
ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING
February 3, 2005

Minutes of the Fremont River Distribution System held at Loa, Utah. The meeting convened at 10:30 a.m. with Mr. Lee Sim conducting.

Mr. Sim brought the meeting to order. He then read the minutes of the second meeting of the water users held February 5, 2004. He also read through the Regulation Procedures for the Fremont River to the water users. There were no corrections to the minutes needed so a motion was made by Forrest Sims, seconded by Richard Jensen, the motion passed.

Mr. Sim then called for a report on the year's activities from the water commissioner. Mr. Ellett indicated that last year's runoff was below normal. Pleasant Creek and Oak Creek produced no runoff at all. Navajo Trails and the Maxfields utilized very little water and their use was only around the home. Torrey received "A" water throughout the summer. The Alexanders are still trying to get measuring devices installed on their system. For the Caineville users, "A" water was delivered but it is difficult to get the water supply down to them. Most of the measuring devices on the system are working well but some do need cleaning. Jan also mentioned the snowpack on the mountain is currently at 200% of normal so he is expecting a good runoff this irrigation season. Jan expressed thanks to the water users for the cooperation in allocating the water last year. With the report given, a motion was made by Richard Jensen to accept his report, seconded by Leroy Van Dyke, motion passed.

Mr. Sim then indicated that Mr. Ellett's four year tenure as commissioner was up and appointment for commissioner for the next four years was in order. A motion to reappoint Mr. Jan Ellett as commissioner was made by Phil Pace, seconded by Kay Hickman, the voting was unanimous..

Mr. Sim then reviewed the previous year's financial report. The balance at the beginning of the year was \$6,963.97, receipts at \$2,577.92, expenditures at \$1,595.94 for an ending balance as of December 31, 2004 at \$7,945.95. The assessment for 2005 was set at \$2,500.00. There was one account delinquent for a total of \$20.89. A motion was made to accept the financial report by Stan Alvey, seconded by Ed White, all approved.

Mr. Sim then asked for input into the 2005 budget. After some discussion, Forrest Sim proposed the budget be set as follows: Commissioner's salary \$1200.00, Social Security, \$92.00, Travel Expense, \$1750.00, Insurance Premiums, \$46.00, Contractual Services, \$1300.00, State Engineer's Assessment, \$263.00, Telephone Expense, \$515.00, Annual Report, \$180.00 and Miscellaneous Expense, \$54.00 for a total budget of \$5400.00 and the assessment to be set at \$2500.00. The motion was seconded by Richard Jensen, all approved.

The board of directors was reviewed. A motion was made by Forrest Sims to appoint Phil Pace as chairman of the board, with Keith Durfey as board member representing the Lower Users, seconded by Leroy Van Dyke, all approved.

There was some discussion concerning the water measured to the Sandy Ranch. The measuring devices need to be checked on Pleasant Creek because some have been submerged in the past. Water is to be measured at the points of diversion not at the place of use at the Ranch. Water users asked if the State Engineer's office would investigate and examine the water measuring devices on both Pleasant and Oak Creek drainage so they can be corrected or repaired if necessary. Mr. Sim indicated the Division of Water Rights would look into this matter.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Those attending the meeting:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Representing</u> |
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| Lee Sim | Division of Water Rights |
| John S. Larsen | Division of Water Rights |
| Kirk Forbush | Division of Water Rights |
| Phillip Pace | Torrey Irrigation Co. |
| Kay Hickman | Torrey Users |
| John D. Jackson | Caineville Canal Co. |
| Forrest Sims | Self |
| Richard Jensen | Self |
| Stanley Wood | Fremont River |
| Steve Dalton | Sandy Ranch |
| Jan Ellett | Water Commissioner |
| Ed White | Garkane Canal |
| Wesley Jensen | Self |
| Leroy Van Dyke | Alexander Ranch |
| Stan Alvey | Hanksville Irrigation |