

~~MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING ON LOWER~~ FREMONT RIVER,
OAK CREEK AND PLEASANT CREEK DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

The meeting was held April 3, 1967, at the Wayne County Courthouse of Loa, Utah, to plan the distribution of the waters of Lower Fremont River, Oak Creek, and Pleasant Creek for the 1967 irrigation season.

A complete list of those in attendance at the meeting is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Judge Ferdinand Erickson	District Court
Hubert C. Lambert	State Engineer
Donald C. Norseth	State Engineer's Office
Frank Reese	State Engineer's Office
Earl M. Staker	Price Area Office
Thomas Chappel	River Commissioner
John V. Christensen	Christensen Ranches
J. Monroe Pace	Torrey Irrigation Company
Golden Durfey	Notom Ranches
Keith A. Durfey	Notom Ranches
Owen L. Jeffs	Caineville Irrigation Company
Leo D. Jackson	Caineville Irrigation Company
Deloyd Curtis	Torrey Irrigation Company
Talmage Jensen	Torrey Irrigation Company & Self
Joe Hickman	Torrey Irrigation Company & Self
Boyd Black	Self
Melvin M. Brown	Hanksville Irrigation Company
Glen P. Johnson	Hanksville Irrigation Company
Lurton J. Knee	Sleeping Rainbow Ranch

The meeting was conducted by Judge Ferdinand Erickson, with assistance from representatives of the State Engineer's Office.

Judge Erickson opened the meeting by reading the certification of notice to the water users, whose names appeared on the list, of the meeting. The notice was filed with the District Court by the Wayne County Clerk. He also reminded the group of the adopted schedule for the annual meeting, that being the first Monday in April, at 2:00 p.m.

The first order of business was the reading of the financial statement of the system by Frank Reese, Controller, State Engineer's Office. Some discussion followed concerning the delinquency of Mr. Dewey Gifford. It was explained to the group that the State Engineer's Office had been assessing Mr. Gifford for more acreage than he owned and it was straightened out at last year's meeting as to the correct number of acres he owns. Judge Erickson proposed to the group that we do away with the delinquent assessment against Mr. Dewey Gifford on account No. 13C, there being no dissenters the proposal was adopted by the group. With this matter taken care of, the financial report was accepted as read.

The next order of business was the adoption of an assessment and the budget for 1967's irrigation season. It was the pleasure of the Judge and

the group that the budget be the same as 1966, \$2400.00 and that the assessment be the same as 1966, \$2000.00.

The minutes of last year's meeting were read by Frank Reese to point out where the group had adopted the plan for assessing on an acre foot basis. There were no objections to the minutes and the Judge accepted them as read.

The next order of business was to decide on the selection of a new commissioner to replace Mr. Chappel. Mr. Chappell had indicated to the Judge and the State Engineer's Office prior to the meeting that he would be unable to accept the job this coming season. After much discussion, the group was unable to provide an recommendations for a new commissioner. The Judge suggested that the group appoint a committee to contact possible candidates and submit their recommendations for a commissioner to the Judge and State Engineer for consideration and appointment. The committee chosen is as follows:

Owen Jeffs

Deloyd Curtis

Golden Durfey

Melvin Brown

A general discussion was held concerning the use of water by Gar-Kane Power Company. This matter comes up every year and nothing has been resolved as yet. Judge Erickson asked Monroe Pace to select a committee of three from the water users who are affected by this use of water and he would arrange a meeting with Gar-Kane Power Company and the committee.

The Glen Whitby water right was discussed and it was the opinion of Torrey Irrigation Company that they might take this water right to Court for litigation.

There being no further business, the Judge expressed his appreciation for everyone's attendance and the meeting adjourned.