

Minutes of the Lower San Pitch River Distribution System
February 4, 2009

Called to order at 11:05 by David Cox

Those present: Lee Sim, David Cox, Frank Eliason, Larry Rawlings, Garth Sorenson, Roland Beck, Michael Larsen, Karl Larsen, Sherwin Sorensen, Allen Dyreng, Mardell Jensen, Terry Monroe, Kirk Forbush, David Beck, Clair Otten, Mike Silva, Randy Allred, Richard Nielson, Lee McEferang, Jay Olsen, Brad Jensen, Hal Pickett, & Ray Christensen.

Minutes were read by, David Beck.

Motion to accept the minutes

Made by Richard Nielson

Seconded by Allen Dyreng

Vote: all present in favor.

Commissioner Report, presented by David Beck

The water year for 2008 began with very high snowfall amounts. Through March and April snow totals were 130 to 150% of normal. We expected some very high runoff with a lot of water flowing to the Sevier River. Un-seasonally cold weather started in April and continued through May and unto June.

The net result was that there was little to no high run off. Stream flows were such that the vast majority of water flowing in the Sanpitch drainage was used by the Sanpitch water users. Runoff from the Upper Sanpitch was comparable to 2005 & 2006. Ephraim, Manti, 6-mile and 12-mile canyons all flowed with normal to slightly above normal amounts.

Though the snow-pack was considerably above normal, the cold spring and lack of spring rain caused that any extra water was evaporated rather than flowed as surface water. What started out as a very good water year, ended with a dry summer and several areas experiencing mid to late season water shortages.

Motion to accept the Report

Made by, Clair Otten

Seconded by, Mardell Jensen

Vote: all present in favor

Concerns of the system were addressed by Dave Cox.

Richard Nielson reported the need to replace the lowest point diversion on the drainage system, also known as Rex's diversion. David Beck suggested that equipment money could be used with money from the drainage district to complete the project.

Division of Water Rights report, by Mike Silva:

There was very good use of water through out the system. The Horracks diversion was still in the court system. The Dansy water right was being merged with the drainage system.

Lee Sim introduced Randy Allred as the Upper Sanpitch river commissioner.

The financial report presented by Lee Sim

Nathan Thompson was not notified of his delinquent assessment

Motion to accept the financial report

Made by, David Beck

Seconded by Richard Nielson

Vote: all present in favor

~~DAVID COX~~

Lee Sim conducted the budget for 2009 as follows:

Beck, David	
Salary	9,000
Social Security	690
Insurance	90
Travel	2,000
Sorenson, Garth	
Salary	2,400
Social Security	185
Insurance	24
Travel	1,200
Secretary Expense	50
Supplies & Equipment	1,382
Contract Service	215
Miscellaneous Expense	258
State Engineer Assessment	1,106
Annual Report	100
Totals	18,700

A motion to approve the budget of the *Lower* system

Made by, Allen Dyreng

Seconded by, Clair Otten

Vote: all present in favor

A motion to set the assessment of the *Lower* System for 2009 at 17,600

Made by Mike Larsen

Seconded by Mardell Jensen

Vote: all present in favor

A motion to replace Rex Nielson on the committee with Mike Larsen
Made by Richard Nielson
Seconded by, Sherwin Sorenson
Vote: all present in favor

The committee for 2009 is:

Chairman	Dave Cox
Vice chairman	Allen Dyreng
First chairman	Clair Otten
Second chairman	Doug Wilden
Third chairman	Mike Larsen
Fourth chairman	Richard Nielsen
Fifth chairman	Sherwin Sorensen
Sixth chairman	Jay Olsen

Jay Olsen asked if the reports for the Upper Sanpitch and the Lower Sanpitch could be combined into one report.

Garth Sorenson said he could bind the two reports together.

No action was taken

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.