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Milford Distribution System Meeting
March 4, 1985,
Milford, Utah

Chairman James Mayer called the meeting to order at 3:30 P. M. Mr. Jerry L. Bronicel read the minutes of the 1984 meeting, held March 14, 1984. With no corrections, a motion was made by Wayne Wiseman to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Richard Mayer. Motion carried.

Mr. Richard B. Hall gave the 1984 financial statement indicating that the balance of distribution trust fund account, as of January 1, 1984, was \$488.53. Total receipts for the year amounted to \$4,734.44 with \$3,856.93 expended against that amount, leaving a balance, as of December 31, 1984, of \$1,366.04. Mr. Hall went over the list of delinquent accounts and made notes as to corrections and changes. It was suggested that because many of the area farmers receive income from crops 3-4 times a year, that an assessment notice be sent out in September/October. Mr. Hall explained, however, that this would cause a problem with having ample carry-over funds to operate the system during the year. He decided that if the delinquencies continue to be a problem, the attorney general's office may be asked to get involved to get these cases before the court for a "show cause hearing" and if they don't pay within two (2) weeks, could be found in contempt of court.

Motion was made by Richard Mayer and seconded by Wayne Wiseman to accept the 1984 financial statement. Motion carried.

Mr. Hall explained the states attempt to obtain interest on the distribution trust fund account by placing the money into an investment or "sweep" checking account. This type of account is currently returning 8% interest, which could amount to approximately 2-3% of the systems total annual budget. An arbitrary formula would be derived to pro-rate each individuals systems interest monthly. Motion was made to pursue this plan by Leon Paice. Seconded by Wayne Wiseman. Motion carried.

Commissioner Lee Strong gave the 1984 Commissioner's Report indicating that in 1984, the inflow of the Beaver River to Rocky Ford Reservoir was actually double what was originally forecast. Mr. Strong said that only 125 wells were pumped during the season, which is the lowest total ever on the system, down from a high of 163 wells pumped in 1977 and 1978. The 1984 total ac/ft pumped of 33,143, also the lowest amount of water pumped during an irrigation season. The March first forecast for 1985 indicates about 106% of normal. Mr. Mayer moved to accept the 1985 report and to recommend Lee Strong be appointed system commissioner for 1985. Seconded by Mr. Wiseman. Motion carried.

The 1985 budget was discussed and on a motion by Mr. Wiseman, and seconded by Arlan Mayer, a total budget for 1985 was approved for \$4600 with the assessment set at \$4500. Motion carried.

Mr. Wiseman moved to retain the same committee as 1984. seconded by Mr. Mayer. Motion passed.

With no other business to come before the group, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

NAME

- H. Haruse
- Wayne C. Wiseman
- Arlan D. Mayer
- Richard B. Mayer
- Leon Palce
- McCoy Williams
- Richard B. Hall
- Jerry L. Bronckel
- Gerald W. Stoker
- Lee Strong
- James Mayer

REPRESENTING

- Division of Water Rights
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- Commissioner
- Chairman