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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OGDEN RIVER WATER RIGHTS COMMITTEE HELD
JANUARY 9, 1979, WITH UTAH STATE ENGINEER REPRESENTATIVES IN THE
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, SEVENTH FLOOR, MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
OGDEN, UTAH, 2:15 P.M.

Present:

Don Norseth, Art May and Rex Larsen, Division of Water Rights
E. H. Southwick, Chairman Rights Association
Wayne M. Winegar, Secretary Rights Association
Carley Burton, Utah Power & Light Company
J. Floyd Barnett, Director
Haynes Fuller, Director
Ralph Hansen, Director
Keith G. Jensen, Director
John Rose and William Green Ash - Mound Fort #4
Orson Hinton - Mound Fort #4
Velente J. Lasko - Dinsdale Irrigation Co.
Russell F. Worrall - Mound Fort #6
J. Sherwood Messerly - Mound Fort #2
H. H. Stone - Lynne Irrigation and Bertinoti Irrigation
Ralph Ward - Liberty Irrigation Co.
Angus E. Shaw - Liberty Irrigation Co.
Richard S. Hixson - Utah Power & Light Co.
L. N. Berghout - Ogden River Commissioner

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Chairman Southwick called the meeting to order and called upon Don Norseth to address the group, and welcomed Rex Larsen, Area Engineer, and Art May, Assistant Engineer, Division of Water Rights.

Mr. Norseth reviewed agenda items and five legislative bills relating to water, which are, no doubt, before the State Legislature. It appeared these bills were mostly housecleaning bills and would be beneficial to the proper administrators of the State Engineer's office. Mr. Norseth reported the Soil Conservation Division's snow survey reflects an average of 111 to 112% of normal.

Chairman Southwick reported the following officers had been appointed to serve during 1979:

- Chairman E. H. Southwick
- First Vice-Chairman Keith Jensen
- Second Vice-Chairman Ralph Hansen
- Secretary-Treasurer Wayne M. Winegar

He also advised of representatives of designated areas of the Ogden River Water Rights Association as reported at the December 1978 meeting of the Association.

Minutes of the Association's January 10, 1978 meeting with the State Engineer representatives were read and approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Ralph Hansen, seconded by Haynes Fuller and passed appointing Leonard Berghout and Boyd Heslop to serve as Ogden River Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, respectively. Mr. Norseth accepted their appointment.

Mr. Berghout reported on 1978 operations as follows: High water occurred May 25th, when storage water was released for Pineview. A 3-inch, plus, rain storm on September 10th ended the irrigation season for all intents and purposes, as little water was used following that storm. Natural flow from Causey is determined by minus or plus in the reservoir storage. Pineview has a quantity of bank storage which causes some problems in

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drawing-down measurements. Pineview gate problems were the cause of some concern until the gate was serviced and commenced to operate properly. High water rights on Mill Creek are impossible to deliver because of encroachments over the past years. He also discussed some infrangements in Ogden Valley. In answer to a question posed by Harvey Stone regarding responsibility for natural stream channels where encroachments have taken place, it was concluded that the County Commissioners MAY take jurisdiction. A discussion followed regarding the use of water by the Baptist Camp on North Fork and Mr. Norseth suggested legal action be taken through the Attorney General's office.

Assistant Engineer Art May presented the Ogden River Distribution System financial statement (copy attached). Mr. Carly Burton moved that the financial report be accepted. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jensen and passed.

Secretary Winegar presented the proposed 1979 Association budget (copy attached). Motion was made by Haynes Fuller, seconded by Keith Jensen and passed, accepting the 1979 Association budget as presented.

Keith Jensen stated opposition of members of Ogden Valley regarding replacement policies in the valley, and expressed his strong opposition to same. Mr. Norseth indicated a meeting on the subject will be held in the near future. Haynes Fuller supported Mr. Jensen's stand and suggested if exchanges are to take place Eden Irrigation Company wants to be the agency to make the exchanges.

There being no further business for consideration meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne M. Winegar
Secretary - Treasurer