

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

OGDEN RIVER WATER USERS

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The annual meeting of the Ogden River Water Users convened in the Ogden City Commission Chambers on the sixth floor of the Ogden City Municipal Building at 3:05 P.M. on January 9, 1990.

Those in attendance at the meeting were the following:

· Lee Sim	Utah Division of Water Rights
· John Mann	Utah Division of Water Rights
· John L. Larsen	Utah Division of Water Rights
· Blaine C. Thomsen	Utah Division of Water Rights
· E. Blaine Johnson	Ogden River Distribution System
· Ralph W. Bird	Ogden River Water Rights
· J. Floyd Barnett	Ogden River Water Rights
· James N. Randall	Ogden River Water Rights
Richard Hixson	Utah Power and Light Company
Paul A. Hodson	Ogden City Water Utilities
Leon J. Sorensen	Huntsville Waterworks Corporation
Robert G. Gardiner	Glenwood Ditch Company
Gary R. Lund	Huntsville Irrigation Company
Lyman J. Anderson	Lynne Irrigation Company
H. Brendan James	Lynne Irrigation Company
Thelma Barnett	Mound Fort Ditch Number 2
Fern M. Gardner	Mound Fort Ditch Number 2
J. Sherwood Messerly	Mound Fort Ditch Number 5
Jerry Larsen	North Ogden Irrigation Company
Glenn Taylor	Plain City Irrigation Company

The meeting was called to order by Lee Sim of the Division of Water Rights of the Utah State Engineer's office. The minutes of the January 10, 1989 meeting were read by John Mann. Next, a motion was made by Paul A. Hodson and seconded by J. Floyd Barnett that the minutes be approved and all voted in favor of same.

The financial statement for 1989 was presented by Lee Sim. Following was a discussion on the collection of delinquent water assessments. There was a motion made by Paul A. Hodson and then seconded by James N. Randall that the financial statement be accepted. All present voted in favor.

In his Commissioner's report, E. Blaine Johnson stated that he appreciated help and support of officers and ditch riders of various irrigation companies, the diligence of his deputies Fred I. Robins and

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Lee G. Andersen in distributing the water to the irrigation companies, and for the help of Utah Power and Light Company and the Utah State Engineer's office in taking care of all other things necessary to make the River System run properly.

Commissioner Johnson went on to state that stream flow run-off on the Ogden River during 1989 was very low. By storing winter power water it was possible to fill the reservoir and spill a small amount for a few days until May 27. Ogden River Water Users (Pine View) filled their 44,000 acre feet out of natural flow. Weber Basin bought 30,649 acre feet of power water that was available.

The dates when priorities were cut were as follows:

May	27	First storage water used.
June	18	Cut to low water.
June	21	Cut 1870 rights off.
June	30	Cut 1867 rights off.
July	3	Cut 1862 rights off.
July	21	Cut 50% of 1858 rights off.
August	7	Cut 1858 rights off.
August	25	Put on 50% of 1858 rights.

Commissioner Johnson reported that snow cover at the present time looks less favorable than the past two years and that there is indication of a poor run-off season ahead. Power water stored to January 1, 1990 totals 9,104 acre feet. Motion to accept the Commissioner's report was made by Ralph W. Bird and seconded by Paul A. Hodson.

Mr. Lee Sim announced that a Water Commissioners' Seminar will be presented by the Utah State Engineer in Salt Lake City, Utah on March 26 and 27, 1990.

Mr. Ralph W. Bird reported on a meeting of the Ogden River Water Rights Association held December 15, 1989. At this meeting, Ralph W. Bird was elected Chairman and Ivan W. Flint Vice-Chairman with E. Blaine Johnson elected as Secretary-Treasurer. This group formulated a budget of \$15,921.58 for the Ogden River System for 1990 which was presented to the Utah State Engineer. It was moved by J. Floyd Barnett and seconded by Jerry Larsen that the budget recommendation be accepted. All present voted in favor and the Utah State Engineer's representative accepted.

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The Ogden River Water Rights Committee recommended that E. Blaine Johnson be appointed by the Utah State Engineer as Water Commissioner on the Ogden River for the Year 1990. This motion was made by Paul A. Hodson and seconded by James N. Randall. This was approved by all present and accepted by the Utah State Engineer's representative.

Mr. Lee Sim announced that a discussion is going on at State level as to the desirability of State funding for River Systems. He also discussed water user financial help to Utah State Engineer expenses. Mr. Richard Hixson voiced concerns of group on these proposals.

There being no further business to come before those present in this meeting, the same adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

  
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E. Blaine Johnson, Secretary

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