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2001 POT CREEK DISTRIBUTION MEETING

The annual meeting for the Pot Creek Distribution System was held January 31, 2001, in the Commission Chambers of the State/County Building . The meeting convened at 11:00 a.m. conducted by Lee Sim of the Utah Division of Water Rights.

The following people were in attendance at the meeting:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Michael L. McCarrell	Pot Creek Commissioner
Lee Sim	Utah Division of Water Rights
John Larsen	Utah Division of Water Rights
Gertrudys Adkins	Utah Division of Water Rights
Bob Leake	Utah Division of Water Rights
David Barfuss	Utah Division of Water Rights
Billie White	Utah Division of Water Rights
Bob Plaska	Colo. Div. of Water Resources
Jack Leonard	Colorado Water Commissioner
Walt Donaldson	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
Ed Johnson	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
Michael Walker representing Don Walker	Utah Water User
Gale Rasmussen	Utah Water User
Max Rasmussen	Utah Water User
Milt Searle	Utah Water User
Paul McCoy	Utah Water User
George Miller	Utah Water User
Levi Smuin	Colorado Water User
Burke Buckalew	Colorado Water User

Lee Sim called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. and asked Billie White to read the minutes of the 2000 Annual Distribution Meeting. Walt made a motion to accept the minutes as read and Levi Smuin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Lee then discussed the Financial Report. The balance to start 2001 is \$4,337.61 with only one delinquent account. Total expenditures for the year were \$1,835.89. Lee stated that there was an increase in the reserve of approximately \$600.00. Lee asked Mike if he had submitted his travel expense. Mike said that he hadn't. Bob Plaska asked Mike if his travel would exceed \$900 and Mike said no. Lee asked Mike about the measuring devices and Mike says he will do it this spring. Gale Rasmussen made a motion to accept the financial report and Levi Smuin seconded. Motion carried.

Mike McCarrell read his 2000 Commissioner's Report. Levi Smuin asked if someone was going to check the winter storage. Mike stated that he would start the 25th of April delivering the winter storage and would start the regular flow the 1st of May. He said he delivers 6-1/2 cfs across the Colorado line. Levi wanted to know what Bob Leake meant in the minutes of the 2000 meeting about Offield Reservoir's low lake level. Bob stated that there are two Offield storage rights. The first is for 66 acre-feet and is next in priority behind Crouse Reservoir. The second is the remainder of the storage in Offield and is behind all of Wildlife Resources' storage rights. A discussion ensued regarding priority of rights and Bob Plaska stated that he would check all the Colorado priorities and make sure that the water was delivered according to priority. Max Rasmussen made a motion to accept the commissioner's report and Milt Searle seconded. Motion passed.

The budget for 2001 was discussed. Lee Sim asked Mike McCarrell if the present budget was sufficient for salary and travel. Mike said that it is. Mike asked Lee about using a ramp flume to replace the USGS gauge at Matt Warner. It was explained that the ramp flume would be more efficient because it doesn't need as much fall and the readings are more accurate than a Parshall flume. Max Rasmussen wanted to know about the design for the ramp flume. Bob Leake said he could provide them with a design. Walt Donaldson suggested that he and Max and the other director could get together with Mike and get it built and in place. Levi Smuin made a motion which was seconded by Max Rasmussen that the budget remain the same as last year. Motion carried.

Lee Sim stated that the four-year term policy was now in affect in appointing water commissioners. He asked for nominations for the water commissioner. Max Rasmussen made a motion that Mike McCarrell be appointed as water commissioner for the four-year term. Michael Walker seconded and motion passed.

Lee advised that the directors for last year were Walt Donaldson, Max Rasmussen and Dave Karren. He also stated that Dave Karren is no longer involved as a user and a new director would need to be appointed to replace him. Milt Searle made a motion seconded by Paul McCoy that Walt Donaldson and Max Rasmussen be re-appointed for Utah. Motion carried. Jack Leonard made a motion seconded by George Miller that Levi Smuin be appointed to replace Dave Karren for Colorado. Motion carried.

Bob Plaska thanked Mike for the tour of the Pot Creek system last year and told him that he found it very informative and helpful. Bob then announced that Jack Leonard is retiring June 1 as Colorado Water Commissioner after 31 years and complimented him on a job well done. Bob also stated that, hopefully, a new person can be appointed and on board by April 1 to work with Jack until June 1.

Paul McCoy brought up the subject of the Parshall Flume at the Crouse Canyon diversion. He stated that if it could be moved about 100 yards that it would work a lot better. Mike stated that it would be a good idea to move the flume as it is worthless where it is because the readings are inaccurate and he has to guess. Walt Donaldson suggested that he and Paul get together and get it moved.

Walt Donaldson made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Max Rasmussen seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.