

1994 POT CREEK DISTRIBUTION MEETING

The meeting convened at 1:10 p.m. on February 2, 1994, and was conducted by Lee Sim of the State of Utah Division of Water Rights.

The following people were in attendance at the meeting:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Lee Sim	Utah Division of Water Rights - SLC
Bob Leake	Utah Division of Water Rights
Ralph Johnson	Utah Division of Water Rights
John Larsen	Utah Division of Water Rights - SLC
Gertrudys B. Adkins	Utah Division of Water Rights - SLC
Billie White	Utah Division of Water Rights
Walt Donaldson	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
Chad W. Crosby	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
F. Neil Folks	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
Sally Lewis	Colorado Div. of Water Resources
Jack Leonard	Colorado Water Commissioner
Gary and Pat Sutton	Colorado Water User
Dave Karren	Karren Bros. - Colorado Water User
Michael L. McCarrell	Pot Creek Water Commissioner
Paul McCoy	Utah Water User
Udell Gardiner	Utah Water User
Joe Hacking	Joe Calder - Utah Water User
George Miller	Utah Water User
Alvin Kay	Utah Water User

Lee Sim called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. and Bob Leake read the minutes from the 1993 Annual Distribution Meeting and the Special Meeting. Lee asked if there were any corrections and/or additions to the minutes as read. Walt Donaldson stated that, at the bottom of page 2 where it referred to the completion of Crouse Reservoir, it should have said September or October of 1994 rather than 1993. Dave Karren made a motion that the minutes, as corrected, be accepted and Gary Sutton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lee Sim presented the 1993 Financial Report. The balance to start 1994 is \$3,277.08. Dave Karren moved that the Financial Report, as presented, be approved and Gary Sutton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mike McCarrell read the Commissioner's Report. He stated that there will be a Water Commissioner's Training Seminar March 3 and 4 in Salt Lake City and that he would like to attend if the group would approve his expenses to attend. Lee explained that there is enough money in the budget's reserve to cover the expenses. Udell Gardiner moved that the report be accepted as read and Dave Karren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lee Sim advised that the 1994 Budget preparation was the next item of business to be considered. Lee Sim asked Mike McCarrell if he had submitted his travel expense for 1993. Mike advised him that it was submitted in December, but apparently was not soon enough to be deducted from the 1993 budget. It was noted that the mileage for Mike was figured at the old rate of \$.25-1/2/mile instead of the \$.30/mile approved during the 1993 Distribution Meeting. The budget for 1994 would include \$1,863.00 for travel (\$863.00 for 1993 and \$1,000.00 for 1994) and \$1,500.00 for salary. Dave Karren made the motion that the 1994 budget be approved for \$3,813.00. Walt Donaldson seconded the motion and motion passed.

The next item of business that was brought before the group was the gauge and recorder at Matt Warner Reservoir. Walt Donaldson reported that Wildlife Resources has located a recorder and felt that DWR should be reimbursed either through a cash settlement or a reduction in water assessments. He said that the recorder needs some repairs, but doesn't know what it will involve. Neither an installation charge, nor an estimate on the maintenance of the recorder has been determined. Lee Sim advised that Spanish Fork is planning to replace its recorders, so obtaining one from them might be a possibility in the future. It was noted that a new recorder costs approximately \$2,200.00.

Udell Gardiner moved that Water Rights and Wildlife Resources come up with a solution and meet with the three directors of the Distribution System for a final decision. Gary Sutton seconded the motion and motion carried.

Lee Sim stated that the group would need to appoint a commissioner for 1994. Udell Gardiner made the motion and seconded by Paul McCoy that Mike McCarrell be appointed for another year. Motion passed unanimously.

Lee Sim explained that a new system of accounting would take place in the near future and that there would be a transfer of Distribution System funds from Zions Bank to the State Treasurer. He stated that although the account is audited annually, it is against the law to have it in a local bank, and that a greater interest will be realized by depositing it with the State Treasurer.

Lee Sim stated that the group needed to vote on Directors for 1994. The current Directors are Walt Donaldson representing Division of Wildlife Resources, Max Rasmussen representing the Utah Water Users and Dave Karren representing the Colorado Water Users. Udell Gardiner made a motion that they retain the present Directors for 1994. Paul McCoy seconded the motion and motion carried.

Walt Donaldson reported that construction had begun on Crouse Reservoir. He said that they had put in a new road, comfort station and that some work had been done on the boat ramp. He stated that the project should be completed in September of 1994 and if there is any water available, they will start filling it in the Spring of 1995 and that the outlet will be similar to those Matt Warner and Calder Reservoirs. Mike McCarrell asked what kind of measuring device will be below Crouse Reservoir and if the weir could be moved so the water could be measured to Browns Park, Colorado and Paul McCoy.

Mike McCarrell stated that, in case of another drought year, there may be a need for approval of 2-acre feet of water from Calder again for stockwatering. He said that the stockmen were very appreciative to DWR for being able to obtain the water for their livestock. Walt Donaldson stated that DWR would be willing to let ranchers take the water below Calder like they did it before, but would like to approve it on a year-to-year basis.

Udell Gardiner made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. George Miller seconded the motion and motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.