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Water Rights

1993 POT CREEK DISTRIBUTION MEETING

The meeting convened at 1:20 p.m. on February 4, 1993, 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
Billie White	Utah Division of Water Rights
Walt Donaldson	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
Ed Blank	Colorado Div. of Water Resources
Jack Leonard	Colorado Water Commissioner
Gary Sutton	Colorado Water User
Corinne Pease	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
Ralph Walker	Utah Water User
Max Rasmussen	Utah Water User
Joseph Calder	Utah Water User
Don Slaugh	Utah Water User
George Miller	Utah Water User
Jack Allred	Utah Water User

Lee Sim called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. and Bob Leake read the minutes from the 1992 meeting. Max Rasmussen made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read and Joe Calder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lee Sim presented the 1992 Financial Report. Max Rasmussen moved that the Financial Report, as presented, be approved and Joe Calder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mike McCarrell read the Commissioner's Report. He stated that he had received letters of appreciation from stockmen who had been authorized to haul water from below Calder. Mike also expressed his appreciation for the cooperation displayed during this time. Joe Calder moved that the report be accepted as read and Max Rasmussen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lee Sim advised that the 1993 Budget preparation was the next item of business to be considered. Lee Sim asked Mike McCarrell if he had submitted his travel expense for 1992. Mike advised him that he had it in rough draft, but thought it should be submitted after it was approved. Lee told Mike that it should be submitted each year at the end of the water season so that it could be included in the current year's budget.

Lee advised the group that in the new budget, perhaps the amount per mile paid to Mike for mileage should be increased. He is presently receiving 25-1/2 cents per mile and that other systems are paying 40 cents per mile. Max Rasmussen said they should find out if Mike wants to accept the job as Commissioner for another year before they made the decision. Max Rasmussen nominated Mike McCarrell as Commissioner for 1993 and Paul McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried and Mike accepted.

Lee Sim advised that the salary for 1992 was \$1500. The insurance involves a small life insurance policy and workmen's compensation. The bonding expense of \$100.00 has never been used and they are still working to get this removed from the budget. Since the annual report is usually done personally by the Commissioner, the \$200 which has been budgeted is never spent. It was suggested that this be moved to travel expense to cover the increase in mileage which would allow \$800 for mileage in 1993. Walt Donaldson moved that Mike be paid 30 cents per mile in 1993. The motion was seconded by Paul McCoy and motion carried. Udell Gardiner made the motion that Mike's mileage be increased next year and that it be retroactive if a gas tax goes into effect during 1993. Paul McCoy seconded the motion and motion passed.

The following Budget for 1993 was submitted to the group for approval:

Salary	\$1,500.00
Social Security	115.00
Travel	800.00
Bonding Expense	100.00
Insurance	63.00
Miscellaneous	<u>172.00</u>
Total Budget	\$2,750.00
Total Assessment	\$2,750.00

Max Rasmussen moved and Joe Calder seconded that the budget and assessment for 1993 be accepted as submitted. Motion passed.

Lee Sim stated that the group needed to vote on Directors for 1993. 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 1993. Paul McCoy seconded the motion and motion carried.

Ed Blank stated that when the minutes of the 1992 meeting were read, he realized that the measuring device had not been installed at Offield Reservoir, but that it would be done in 1993.

Walt Donaldson reported that construction will begin on Crouse Reservoir as soon as weather permits. He said that it will include a new outlet, cut off trench, boat ramp, fencing around the reservoir and, hopefully a new Parshall flume below the reservoir if there is enough funding. DWR plans to have it completed in September or October of ~~1993~~.

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Gary Sutton said he understood the headgate was supposed to be fixed and wondered if boards are in so that if runoff comes fast, the water will not go down Crouse Canyon. Mike McCarrell advised him that boards were in place.

Walt Donaldson said that DWR would have the heavy equipment up there if the group wanted a new splitter put in. He further stated that the Users would have to stand the cost as DWR couldn't afford to do it. Mike McCarrell stated the Parshall flume at the splitter is working ok, but that the ditch needs to be cleaned out below it so that it will measure more accurately. The group decided against putting a new splitter in at this time.

George Miller said he would still like to see a small flow in Pot Creek. He asked that if when Offield is filling, that they could leave a trickle in Pot Creek or not send any to Brown's Park. He said he doesn't think Brown's Park needs the water and it could be better used to enhance the area and water elk, deer, sage grouse and other wildlife. Walt Donaldson told George that there hasn't been enough water the last 6 years to spare any. Ed Blank stated that this was the reason Colorado takes their water early while the ditch is still wet.

Mike McCarrell brought up the motion made in the 1990 meeting and followed up in the 1991 meeting where Chad Crosby was to discuss with Walt Donaldson, Regional Supervisor of DWR, the making of 2 acre feet of water available for stockwatering. Walt Donaldson stated that this had been done for the stockmen while their stock was being moved.

Udell Gardiner made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Gary Sutton seconded the motion and motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.