

POT CREEK DISTRIBUTION MEETING  
STATE-COUNTY BUILDING, VERNAL, UTAH  
FEBRUARY 9, 1987

The annual Pot Creek Water User's meeting for the year 1987 commenced at 6:09 p.m. on February 9, 1987. The meeting was conducted by Mr. Kent Jones, Distribution Engineer of the Division of Water Rights. The agenda for the meeting was set by Mr. Jones, and the meeting proceeded as follows:

Mr. Jones read the minutes of the 1986 meeting. A motion was made by Alvin Kay that the minutes be accepted as read and motion was seconded by Don Walker. The motion carried.

It was noted that the commissioner's report for last year is being completed and available upon request.

Mr. Steve Witte of the Colorado State Division of Water Resources requested that a copy of the minutes and the commissioner's report be sent to him each year prior to the water users meeting to aid him in his preparation. Mr. Jones said that he would see that this request was satisfied.

The financial report and budget expenditures were read by Mr. Jones. There was a correction to the previous years financial statement that involved a miscalculation on the interest earned in favor of the water users. A motion to accept the financial statement as corrected was made by Joseph Calder and seconded by Alvin Kay. The motion carried.

Mr. Jones then turned the meeting over to Mr. Chad Crosby for presentation of his commissioner's report. Mr. Crosby did not have all the data compiled yet but gave a verbal report. He said that with Matt Warner being out of service water could not be delivered as usual. Also, with the water year being so dry so far, and with the new Matt Warner Reservoir being filled for the first time this year, the outlook for this coming summer is not good. He also indicated that Crouse and Calder reservoirs have some serious problems. The outlet works on Crouse needs repaired. The outlet pipe is to be lined and the deep well valve is to be replaced with a slide gate valve. The spillway needs revetment work as well. This work is to be done to Crouse this spring. The water is currently being drained and should be totally drained by March 1, 1987. Mr. Crosby stated that there has been piezometers placed in both Crouse and Calder dams--two in Crouse and three in Calder. These piezometers were placed in order to evaluate the condition of the dams and aid in the feasibility study of increasing the storage of Calder Reservoir.

The piezometers in Crouse Reservoir so far indicate that the dam is very wet and should be monitored closely with the changes in storage elevations.

Mr. Crosby also talked about the proposed lower Crouse reservoir. He said that the core samples show that the bedrock at the site is very fractured, much like that at the Matt Warner dam site. This will increase the cost of construction due to the grouting that will be required to seal the fractures.

Mr. Witte asked Mr. Crosby when the draining of Crouse began and how the water turned to Colorado is determined. *CALDER?*

Mr. Crosby stated that the draining of Crouse began December 19, 1986, and the reservoir should be empty by March 1, 1987, in time for the revetment work. *CALDER?*

Mr. Crosby said that the division of water at the Browns Park-Offield diversion as he understands it is that Utah gets the first 5.0 cfs. measured at Matt Warner and Colorado gets 6.0 cfs. more or less from May 1 till the end of flow.

Mr. Witte asked when the end of flow is?

Mr. Crosby said that the flow is any flow over 5.0 cfs. and the end of flow is usually in mid July when the flow does not exceed 5.0 cfs.

Mr. Don Smith asked Mr. Witte if the Colorado water users might consider a credit in water by arranging a pre-May water storage for a post-May delivery. This would extend their flow time and help in the first filling of Matt Warner.

Alvin Kay made a motion to accept the commissioners report as given and the motion was seconded by Don Walker. Motion carried.

Don Smith requested permission to make an announcement. He stated that the Division of Wildlife Resources, through considerations, has decided to pay the total bill for the reconstruction of the Matt Warner dam.

Mr. Jones stated that a budget must be set and a commissioner nominated for the 1987.

Don Smith made a motion to keep the budget the same as last year and the motion was seconded by Joe Calder. Motion carried.

Alvin Kay made a motion to retain Chad Crosby as the water commissioner and the motion was seconded by Steve Witte. Motion carried.

Mr. Witte asked for a clarification of the 1913 and 1914 priority storage rights in Offield Reservoir as per the 1958 agreement. Mr. Jones asked Bob Leake, Area Engineer, to

investigate this question and communicate his findings to Mr. Witte.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joe Calder and seconded by Jack Leonard. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Those present at the meeting:

NAME:	REPRESENTING
Joseph Calder	Water User
Don Walker	Water User
John Colbert	Ut. Div. Water Rights
Steve Witte	Colo. Div. of Water Resources
Jack Leonard	Colo. Water Commissioner
Donald A. Smith	Ut. Div. Wildlife Resources
Bob Leake	Ut. Div. Water Rights
Chad Crosby	Water Commissioner
Allen Bennion	Water User
David Bennion	Water User
Lorin S. Sperry	Ut. Div. Wildlife Resources
Alvin Kay	Water User
Kent Jones	Ut. Div. Water Rights
Flynn Searle	Water User
Paul McKoy	Water User