

# PRICE RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ANNUAL MEETING

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The annual meeting of the Price River Distribution System was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Mr. Tom Bruno. Mr. Bruno asked Mark Page to read the minutes from the 2002 annual meeting. Following the reading of the minutes, there were no corrections or additions to be made. A motion was made by Gary Sontag, and seconded by Kevin Cotner, to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed.

The 2002 Financial Statement was read by Mr. Lee Sim. As of January 1, 2002, there was \$15,644.18 in the Trust Account. Receipts during 2002 included \$18,103.38 in regular assessments, delinquent penalties of \$515.88, and \$209.27 in interest, for a total of \$18,828.53. Expenditures for the year totaled \$20,734.71, which included over expenditures for insurance premiums, travel and telephone expenses in the amount of \$100.41. Funds remaining in the Trust Account as of December 31, 2002 were \$13,738.00. There was one delinquent account in the amount of \$19.48. A motion was made by Walter Borla, and seconded by Richard Lee, to accept the Financial Statement. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Bruno asked Commissioner Bob Davis to give a report on his activities during 2002. He indicated that a total of 52,770.81 acre-feet of water was diverted during 2002. Direct flow accounted for 30,289.78 acre-feet, and 22,132.30 acre-feet was diverted from Scofield Reservoir. Irrigation users diverted 24,289.78 acre-feet of direct flow, and 19,649.32 acre-feet of reservoir water. Municipal and industrial users diverted 6202.43 acre-feet and 2482.98 acre-feet of direct flow and reservoir water, respectively. A total of 146.30 acre-feet of water was pumped from Colton Well #1.

Mr. Davis indicated that the peak storage in Scofield Reservoir occurred May 7, 2002 at 34,994.00 acre-feet. The low volume occurred on September 9, 2002 at 8342.00 acre-feet. At the present time there is 16,730.00 acre-feet of water in Scofield Reservoir, compared to 29,328.00 acre-feet at this same time in 2002.

The March 1, 2003 NRCS forecasted inflow to Scofield Reservoir which was available prior to the preparation of these minutes, indicates an inflow of 28,000.00 acre-feet of water, which is 61% of average. This is assuming average precipitation through July 1, 2003. Mr. Davis asked that the individual ditch riders contact him 24 hours prior to making any adjustments to their headgates. This allows him to keep the river regulated. He also asked the North Carbon Group to provide a more reliable source of power to their meter. All users with flumes need to keep them cleaned out so they read more accurately. The Bryner-Ploutz Ditch needs to install a smaller flume so small flows can be accurately measured. He thanked the water users for their support.

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Snotel data indicates that current snowpack is 74% of average at the Mammoth-Cottonwood site, 62% on White River #1, and 82% on the Indian Canyon course

Following the report, Dale Wilson made a motion to accept the Commissioner's Report. The motion was seconded by Darce Guymon. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Sim informed the water users that if further funds are cut from the Division's Budget, the water users may have to provide funding that has been provided by the Division to operate the gaging stations on the system. It may require as much as \$20,200.00 to maintain the Fish Creek, Mud Creek, White River, and the Fairview Tunnel gages.

The next item of business was the preparation of the budget for 2003. There was some discussion about raising the rate/mile that the Commissioner is paid for travel. It was decided that he should receive \$0.36/mile in 2003. After this brief discussion, the following budget for 2003 was proposed:

Commissioner's Salary	\$10,328.00
Social Security	790.00
Retirement	1300.00
Travel Expense	4700.00
Insurance	3500.00
State Engineer's Assessment	1025.00
Office Expense	50.00
Telephone Expense	50.00
Annual Report	300.00
Equipment Expense	100.00
Miscellaneous Expense	100.00
Total	\$22,243.00

Walter Borla made a motion to accept the budget, and set the assessment at \$18,000.00. Wayne Brown seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The next item of business was the review of the Commissioner's activities for 2002. The water users appreciated his work and look forward to his service in the coming year.

Mr. Bruno indicated that a committee should be appointed to serve during 2003. A motion was made by Walter Borla to reappoint the same committee members that served in 2002. The motion was seconded by Dale Wilson. All present voted in the affirmative. The committee members are as follows:

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Lyle Bryner  
Harold Cunningham  
Gary Sonntag  
Tom Bruno

Chairman  
Vice Chairman/Industrial Representative  
Municipal Representative  
Water Users

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Those present included the following:

Lee Sim  
Gertrudys Adkins  
Mark Page  
Tom Bruno  
Gary Sonntag  
Robert Davis  
Walt Borla  
Darce Guymon  
George S. Cook  
Gary E. Taylor  
Richard Lee  
Dale J. Wilson  
Gerald Barkley  
Nick Sampinos  
Kevin Cotner  
Richard C. Borrell  
Jerald Pollock  
Floyd D. Brotherson  
Ken Snook  
Wayne Brown

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Stowell Ditch  
Price City  
Price River Commissioner  
Bryner-Hansen Ditch Company  
PacifiCorp  
Price River Water Users  
Canyon Fuel Company, LLC  
Carbon Water Conservancy District  
Stowell Ditch  
Carbon Country Club  
Carbon Canal  
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Pioneer #2  
Price River Water Improvement District  
Spring Glen Canal