

PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD  
January 10, 1991

Pursuant to the Notice from the office of the State Engineer, and to call by the Chairman, the Board of Directors of the Provo River Distribution System convened at 10:30 A. M. in Court Room 2301 of the new Utah County Courthouse.

Distribution Engineer Lee H. Sim presided.

On roll call, the following were present:

J. Edwin Ure, Chairman	Group 1 Kamas Valley Canals
Sherman A. Giles	Group 2 Upper Provo, East Heber Valley
Harvey Van Wagoner, Vice-Chair.	Group 3 Upper Provo, West Heber Valley
Carl H. Carpenter	Group 4 Provo City Canals
Stanley H. Roberts	Group 5 East Provo Canals
Kenneth R. Gillman	Group 6 Provo Bench Canals
Russell O. Brown	Group 7 Provo Reservoir Water Users Company
Jack M. Gardner, Secty.-Treas.	Group 8 Provo River Water Users Association
Ferrell Knight	Group 9 Upper Provo Individual Rights

Present for State Engineer's Office were:

Jim Riley	District Eng.-Division of Water Rights
Lee H. Sim	Distribution Eng.-Div. of Water Rights

Also present were:

Ernie F. Giles	Deputy Comm. Trainee
Stanley H. Roberts, Jr.	Provo River Commissioner
Daryl Devey	Central Utah Water Conser- vancy District
	Water
Richard S. Hixson	Utah Power & Light

Mr. Sim opened the meeting and inquired if there were any changes in officers or directors, and was advised that Russell O. Brown replaced Mack Anderson - Group 7 Provo Reservoir Water Users Company. He then introduced Jim Riley, and advised that Mr. Riley is District Engineer for the Provo River and Utah Lake District.

Mr. Sim presented the agenda of the meeting and then turned the meeting over to Chairman Ure.

CORRECTION, ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING, JANUARY 11, 1990.

It was noted that the minutes had been published and the reading of the minutes had been waived.

Thereupon there being no corrections, Director Van Wagoner moved that the minutes be adopted, seconded by Director Giles and carried unanimously.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT OF 1990 AND DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS:

Mr. Sim then presented the 1990 Financial Report and delinquent accounts as prepared by the State Engineer. The Financial Report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Sim was advised that the Board accepted the Financial Report at it's annual meeting held January 9, 1991.

Mr. Sim noted that the delinquent water assessments amounted to a total due of only \$930.84. The delinquent accounts were discussed and it was noted that accounts 128,148 and 168 were with the Jordanelle reservoir and are to be paid by USBR. Six notices of assessment due were returned. Commissioner Roberts is to contact most of the remaining for collection.

#### COMMISSIONER & DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Roberts noted that the 1990 Annual Report was completed and the 1985, 1986, 1988 and 1990 reports would be out by the first of March.

Commissioner Roberts reported that Trial Lake Dam reconstruction was completed in late October at a cost of \$1,300,000. The new dam was tested by filling to 2/3 capacity and now has storage of about 600 ac. ft. to protect the concrete. The water used to fill the reservoir to 2/3 capacity was made available by delivering Deer Creek Stockholders water to its stockholders as part of their allotment and replaced when the water was released from other head of River reservoirs after the testing period. The 600 ac. ft. remaining will be replaced from CUP Deer Creek storage.

The USBR and CUWCD have entered into an agreement with U.P. & L. and the Olmsted Power plant will go back on line utilizing class "A" water in the irrigation season providing there is capacity in the flume and fish flows in the normal irrigation season and possibly some released water from Jordanelle after Jordanelle is completed to offset monetary compensation to U.P. & L. as agreed to under the agreement.

Whereupon Commissioner Roberts called Deputy Commissioner Giles for his report of distribution of the Wasatch Division during the past irrigation season.

Deputy Commissioner Giles reported the 1990 water year was the fourth year in a row with a below average precipitation at about 2/3 normal. In May there was a cold spell that lengthened the irrigation season in Heber Valley. On June 10 & 11 there was a rainstorm that brought out what water was available in the higher elevation and on June 11 at 8:00 a.m. at the Midway bridge there was 168 c.f.s. The commissioner then reported that he read the gauge at the Midway bridge every two hours as Deer Creek was full and spilling. The Midway gauge readings were as follows.

June 11, at 4:00 p.m. - 2476

6:00 p.m. - 2586

8:00 p.m. - 2476

The river peaked at 6:00 pm and dropped rapidly after that. The Head of River reservoirs stored approximately 2000 ac. ft. because of this period of run off. In the 1989 water year there was a total of 5700 ac. ft. and 1990, 7439 ac. ft. stored in the head of river reservoirs.

The Beaver & Shingle Creek had rented it's 900 ac. ft. to Washington and South Kamas Irrigation Company's and began selling it's water to the USBR for fish releases and the 1000 ac. ft. of Deer Creek storage water that had been delivered to Washington and South Kamas under agreement involving the acquisition of the Little Deer Creek water filing terminated at the end of the 1989 year leaving Washington only 1000 ac. ft. that was made available by exchanging with the H of R storage. South Kamas Irrigation was out of water on the 23rd of July and Washington Irrigation was out the 3rd of August.

Part of the 14th Class water Users were out of water July 1st and the remainder were out of water July 18.

Water was delivered to the First Class water users at

100% to July 5, then 70% to July 12, 35% to July 31 and Aug. 9 to Sept. 30 at 40%.

The 1st and 2nd crop of hay yield was good with very little third crop. Grain and meadow crop hay yield was good.

On the 1st of January Trial Lake Sno-tel station read 5.1" of water 46% of normal, last year there was 5.7" of water. The basin average at 65%.

Deputy Commissioner Giles then stated that he enjoyed his work as Deputy Commissioner on the Provo River in 1990 and thanked the people who worked with him. The Water Users on the Provo River, the Provo River Distribution System, Commissioner Roberts, the State Engineer's office, the Provo River Water Users Association for its help in making equipment and operators available to build rock diversion dams along the upper Provo.

Commissioner Roberts then noted that the PRWUA delivered extra allotment water to it's stockholders May 29 through June 15 when the reservoir was spilling and that on the 11th and 12th of June about 1800 c.f.s. of water was bypassed at Deer Creek Dam. The rain storm and the remaining snow melt at high elevation caused the water in the reservoir to rise and there was about 1.45 of surcharge above the high water line when the run off inflow peaked and receded. The Class "A" water users were delivered 100% to July 12, 75% to July 27th, 50% to Sept. 14th, 40% to October 5th and 100% to October 15th.

Commissioner Roberts expressed his appreciation to the Board, State Engineer and others for their cooperation in the 1990 season and noted that although it was a dry year there was harmony on the river distribution system and the problems were discussed and worked out.

#### BUDGET AND ASSESSMENT, 1991

Chairman Ure advised Mr. Sim that a budget and assessment had been prepared by the Provo River Distribution System at the annual meeting on the 9th of January 1991 and asked Secretary Gardner to present this budget. The prepared budget and assessment was distributed and Secretary Gardner noted the changes made and that \$61,000 had been budgeted and that the Distribution System assessment is \$59,000.00 with \$2000 to come from the trust fund.

Secretary Gardner noted that there were special assessments of \$6000.00 that was paid by CUWCD. \$2000 to be paid by PRWUCO to be paid the Provo River Commissioner for extra works' expense caused by the implementation of the Deer Creek Strawberry and Welby-Jacob Exchanges. The State Engineer has come up with a new format and that special assessments are added to items of the Distribution System budget such as commissioners salary, mileage etc. by the State Engineer and this finalized budget and assessment will be presented to the

Board for review at it's next annual meeting. The total 1991 budget is \$69,000 and the total assessment, \$67,000.00 with the \$2,000 difference to come from the trust fund.

Director Carpenter moved that the budget and assessment be approved. Director Gillman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The budget and assessment are attached hereto and made a part to these minutes.

#### STATE ENGINEER ADVISED OF RECOMMENDATION OF COMMISSIONER AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

Chairman Ure advised Mr. Sim that at the annual meeting Stanley H. Roberts, Jr. had been chosen as the recommended Provo River Commissioner and Sherman A. Giles as Deputy Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Mr. Sim stated he would take the recommendations under advisement and present the same to the State Engineer and expressed his appreciation for the cooperation of the Commissioners.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Sim advised the Board that other Distribution Systems held only their annual meeting and that the State Engineer was represented at that meeting. The budget changes were noted and the State Engineer then made up the budget and assessment. After due discussion Director Van Wagoner moved that there be only the annual meeting called and the State Engineer be represented at that meeting to prepare the budget and assessment. Director Giles seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Roberts noted that the committee expense of \$1200 included two meetings that paid the Directors \$35.00 per meeting and suggested that the Directors raise this to \$70.00 per meeting. Whereupon Director Van Wagoner moved that the Directors fee for attending Board meetings be raised to \$70.00. Director Gillman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Director Giles moved the meeting adjourn. Director Gillman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jack M. Gardner  
Secretary