

PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 12, 1988

Pursuant to the Articles of Association, as amended by the Provo River Distribution System, and due notice having been given to all members, the Board of Directors of the Provo River Distribution System convened at 10:00 A. M. on January 12, 1988 in Room 311 of the Utah County Courthouse.

Chairman J. Edwin Ure presided.

On roll call, the following Board members were present:

J. Edwin Ure, Chairman	Group 1 Kamas Valley Canals
Sherman A. Giles	Group 2 Upper Provo, East Heber Valley
Kenneth 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
Mack A. Anderson	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

Also present were:

Stanley H. Roberts, Jr.	Provo River Commissioner
Sheldon Talbot	Central Utah Water Conservancy District
Rick J. Cox	Provo River Water Users Association
Lloyd Provost	Heber City

CORRECTION AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON
JANUARY 13, 1987

There being no corrections or amendments, Director Giles moved that the minutes be adopted, seconded by Director Carpenter and carried unanimously.

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS FOR 1988

Chairman Ure advised that the next order of business was to nominate and elect officers for the ensuing year.

Whereupon Director Giles moved that the rules be suspended and by acclamation the present officers be reelected, seconded by Director Knight and carried unanimously.

1987 FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

At the request of Chairman Ure, Secretary Gardner presented the last year's financial statement as prepared and submitted by the State Engineer's office of the River System's operations, noting that the assessment was set at \$44,100.00 and there were receipts from assessments of \$43,875.50, receipts of delinquent accounts of \$238.84 for a total receipts of \$44,114.34. It was noted that the interest had not yet been posted and the interest would be about \$1000 which would bring the total receipts to about \$45,000.00. The expenditures during the year were \$45,077.73. The Distribution Trust Fund as of December 31, 1987 had a balance of \$8,090.66 and \$46,600.00 had been budgeted as against the actual expenditure of \$45,077.73.

Director Van Wagoner moved that the 1987 Financial Statement be accepted for filing. Director Giles seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

It was noted that the delinquent water assessments amounted to a total due of \$876.86. Of this amount \$574.70 was from 7 accounts out of the 50 delinquent accounts that were over 2 years old.

Director Carpenter moved that Commissioner Roberts follow through with the collection of the largest delinquent accounts Numbers 195 and 176 and to follow through with the adjudication department of the State Engineer's office to determine which rights may be abandoned and which are collectable. Director Van Wagoner seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT ON 1987 OPERATION:

Commissioner Roberts presented the 1987 Annual Reports noting that the 1985 and 1986 Annual Reports would be out by the first of March.

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

Deputy Commissioner Giles noted that the winter of 1986-87 was very mild. The water year was below normal in moisture content.

The spring of 1987 was drier than normal resulting in the irrigation season starting at least two weeks earlier than usual. Most of the canals had water in them by the middle of April.

Due to the below average snow pack and early spring, the runoff on the Provo River was earlier in the season than normal and the river never reached the peak flows that we have been accustomed to. The Provo River peaked on May 19 with a total flow of 1219 c.f.s. at the midway upper bridge and the natural river at 817 c.f.s.

For the distribution we were able to supply 100 percent of first class rights through June 24 and 60 percent through the remainder of June. Due to some good summer rains we were able to supply 70 percent of the first class rights through July and 65 percent through August and September.

In the Heber Valley, two canals, Timpanogos and Extension, with fourteenth class water rights and some storage at the head of the river were shut off dry and were out of water on June 30.

Because of the light winter and the restrictions placed on some of the reservoirs by the Forest Service, we were only able to store about 60 percent of the capacity of the reservoirs at the head of the Provo. With the storage we had and some water from the Duchesne Tunnel, we were able to make the exchange for the users in the Kamas Valley for their water stored in the Deer Creek Reservoir.

Deputy Commissioner Giles then stated that he enjoyed his work as Deputy Commissioner on the Provo River in 1987 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 reported that this year proved to be much different from the wet ones of recent time. There was minimal runoff due to lack of snow and thus stream flows were low all year.

Deer Creek Reservoir was declared full May 4 and remained full until June 3.

Class A rights were reduced to 80 percent for the period June 29 through July 20; 90 percent through August 6, and 100 percent for the rest of the summer.

An historic event occurred on September 18 when Utah Power and Light ceased operation at its Olmsted Hydro Plant. The pipeline in the canyon is now part of the Central Utah Project and will be used to convey C.U.P. water to the Orem Treatment Plant and into the Jordan Aqueduct Reach 4 for delivery to the Riverton Treatment Plant.

Distribution on the Provo River is going to be complicated by the intervention of C.U.P. now being delivered water into the U.P. & L. flume. The Class "A" rights including Provo Bench Canal will now have to be allowed to flow down the river and pass the Murdock Diversion Dam. In prior years these waters were diverted into the flume and delivered below the Murdock Diversion Dam and the river was regulated much easier than will now be required. Commissioner Roberts explained that Provo River Water Users Association was storing all the natural flow of the Provo River. That storage water was being released to MWD of Salt Lake City and Orem City and diverted at the Olmsted flume. MWD of Salt Lake City water is being pumped into the Salt Lake Aqueduct up to a maximum of 65 c.f.s. Some C.U.P. Deer Creek Reservoir storage water is being released to keep Provo River flowing 100 c.f.s. between Deer Creek and the Olmsted Diversion Dam as was agreed to by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation and Central Utah Project as part of the categorical exclusion under the impact report covering the C.U.P. The releases were intended to be from Jordanelle after completion at which time there would be water stored in Jordanelle for these releases. It was, however, inadvertently made subject to C.U.P. water in Deer Creek Reservoir.

Commissioner Roberts noted that as of January 11th, 1988, the water content and percent of normal at the Trial Lake and Timpanogos measuring stations were as follows:

Trial Lake 7.6" of water - 51% of average

Timpanogos Divide 5.2" of water - 43% of average

Commissioner Roberts expressed his appreciation to the Board, State Engineer and others for their cooperation in the 1987 season.

NOMINATION OF WATER COMMISSIONER AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR 1988

It was then noted that Commissioner Roberts was the only candidate for Commissioner.

Whereupon Director Knight moved that Stan Roberts be recommended to the State Engineer as Provo River Commissioner for the ensuing year.

The motion was seconded by Director Van Wagoner and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Roberts then recommended Deputy Commissioner Giles to be the Deputy Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Whereupon Director Roberts moved that Sherman Giles be nominated as the Deputy Commissioner to be recommended to the State Engineer as Deputy Commissioner for the ensuing year.

The motion was seconded by Director Anderson and carried with Director Giles abstaining from voting.

BUDGET AND ASSESSMENT 1988

Chairman Ure called for a discussion of the budget and assessment. Director Gillman asked if there was any one being familiarized with the distribution of water in the Wasatch Division of the Provo River Decree. Director Giles advised that he had a man that some time accompanied him as he made his rounds to regulate the river. Compensation for a trainee as Deputy Commissioner was discussed.

Director Roberts moved that a item be included in the budget to pay annually \$400.00 to a trainee as Deputy Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Director Anderson and carried unanimously.

The adjustment of the salaries of the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner were discussed.

Director Carpenter moved that the Commissioner's annual salary be set at \$16,000. Director Gillman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Director Van Wagoner moved that the Deputy Commissioner salary be set at \$14,400. Director Knight seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Talbot, representing Central Utah Water Conservancy District, stated that Commissioner Roberts will be required to spend more time in regulating the distribution of water in the Provo Division of the Provo River Decree due to the intervention of C.U.P. now using the U. P. & L. flume to convey water to the Orem and Jordan Treatment Plants and that Central Utah Water Conservancy District was willing to pay an assessment of \$6,000.00 to the State Engineer to compensate Commissioner Roberts for these additional responsibilities. Secretary Gardner advised that he would add the assessment to the 1988 budget. Other items of the budget were discussed and item 4 travel expense was set at \$3,300, Item 10, bonds and insurance premiums were reduced to \$200.00, and Item 14 was set at \$5,000.00. Secretary Gardner advised that he would prepare a budget with the adjustments in retirement and Social Security and the above items to present at the meeting with the State Engineer on Thursday, January 14th for approval.

The 1988 assessment was discussed and it was the consensus of the Board that the assessment would be set at the meeting with the State Engineer after the budget was finalized.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Ure called attention to the following letter dated December 31, 1987.

NOTICE TO PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION WATER USERS:

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with Title 73, Chapter 5, Utah Code annotated, 1953, a meeting of the water users of the PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM and representatives of the Division of Water Rights will be held Thursday, January 14, 1988 at 10:00 A.M. The meeting will be at: