

Minutes of the 1962 Annual Meeting
Santa Clara Distribution System

A meeting of the Water Users Association of the Santa Clara River was held in St. George, Utah, February 28, 1962.

Donald C. Norseth of the State Engineer's Office presided.
President E. S. Gardner conducted.
The following were in attendance:

Donald C. Norseth	Distribution Engineer, Utah State Engineer's Office
Frank Reese	Comptroller "
T. Vinton Smith	Accountant "
Dee C. Hansen	Area Engineer, Cedar City, "
E. S. Gardner	Water Users Committee
Paul Hafen	"
Vaughn Jones	"
Charles Hafen	"
Reed Mathis	St. George Santa Clara Field Canal Co.
Cecil Blake	Seep Ditch Co.
Marion Graf	New Santa Clara Field Canal Co.
Reuben Ence	St. George and Santa Clara Bench Irr. Co.
Wilford Holt	Commissioner; Gunlock Irrigation Co.
Lloyd M. Leavitt	Veyo Irrigation Co.
George D. Grimshaw	California Pacific Utility Co.
Rex Gardner	Pine Valley Irrigation Co.
Olaf Jacobson	"

A majority of the members of the association and a majority of the rights on the creek were represented.

Mr. Donald C. Norseth stated that in some sections assessments were made on the basis of an acre-foot delivery of water. He said that information would be sent to be looked over to see if there should be a change in method of making assessments. He also stated that the budget should be made on a calendar year basis.

President E. S. Gardner read the call of the meeting.

The financial report of the Santa Clara River Distribution System was read and approved.

Commissioner Wilford Holt reported that although the water was low during the latter part of the summer, he had gotten along well with the distribution of it. The various companies cooperated real well. The Bench Company had allowed the St. George Santa Clara Field Canal Company and the New Santa Clara Field Canal Company to store water for a time in their reservoir so they were able to mature their crops. He also had help from the State Engineer's Cedar City Office and from Woodruff Cannon.

Wilford Holt was nominated and elected unanimously to be recommended to the State Engineer for commissioner for 1962 and until his successor is appointed.

Paul Hafen made a motion which carried that the following budget be made and that the State Engineer be authorized to make an assessment of \$1500.00 to raise the amounts set up in the budget.

1962 BUDGET

Commissioner's Salary	\$ 720.00
Matching Social Security	22.50
Matching State Retirement	19.20
Commissioner's Travel	480.00
Bonds and Insurance	25.00
Annual Report	25.00
Committee Expense	35.00
Miscellaneous	173.30
Total	<u>\$1500.00</u>

A motion was made and carried that the water Users Committee now acting be the committee for 1962. The members of the committee are:

E. S. Gardner, President	St. George, Utah
Paul Hafen, Vice-President	"
Vaughn Jones, Member	Veyo, Utah
Austin Bracken, Member	Central, Utah
Archie Gubler, Member	Santa Clara, Utah
Charles Hafen, Secretary	Santa Clara, Utah

Reed Mathis made a motion that the commissioner and the State Engineer's Office make a study of the rights to the Grass Valley water and ascertain whether the companies on the Santa Clara River have any Primary Rights to Grass Valley water which should be satisfied before New Castle uses their High Water Rights. Motion Carried.

Paul Hafen made a motion that the Water Users Committee draft a letter to the various companies on the creek for them to consider to the effect that when the water in the creek drops to 75% of the Primary Rights the upper companies from Gunlock to Pine Valley inclusive agree to be cut to 50% to assure the lower companies a longer period of 50% use and the lower companies agree that the upper companies will not be cut below 50% at any time during the season.

Meeting Adjourned.

Charles Hafen, Secretary

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Dee Hansen
J. Reese