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Minutes of the Sevier River Distribution System meeting held on January 28, 1987 in the Sevier County Courthouse, Commissioners Room. The meeting convened at 10:10 A.M.. Roger Stanworth conducted this meeting. Those in attendance were:

Kirk Forbush - State Engineers Office  
Stan Adams - State Engineers Office  
Kent Jones - State Engineers Office  
Roger Walker - River Commissioner  
Phill C. Nielson - Sevier River Board  
Virge N. Brown - Sevier River Board  
Afton Blood - Sevier River Board  
Roger Stanworth - Sevier River Board  
Dan Perkins - Sevier River Board  
Arlon Nielson - Salina Creek Irrigation  
J. Neil Nielson - Central Utah Project  
Clark J. Wall - Sevier River Water User  
F. Dwight Malmgren -  
Ray Owens - Sevier River Commissioner  
Larry Hoover - SCCO  
Sheldon Talbot - Central Utah Water Conservancy District

Kent Jones read the minutes of the 1986 meeting. A motion was made by Dan Perkins and seconded by Dwight Malmgren to accept the minutes as read. The motion carried. The contract with the Central Utah Water Conservancy District was discussed. Nothing has been presented to the District Board as yet. However, it looks like the Sevier River Water Users will get \$28,500.00 for the operation of 22 gauging stations and the San Pitch River systems will request \$9,000.00 for operation of 6 stations. A question was raised as to why the 22 stations on the Sevier were not allowed the full \$1,500.00 operation fee per station. This will be discussed with the Conservancy District. Kent Jones read the 1986 financial statement. A motion was made by Dwight Malmgren and seconded by Clark Wall to accept the financial statement as read. The motion carried. Ray Owens asked for the delinquency list to be sent to him as soon as it is prepared each year. The delinquencies were discussed. Neil Nielson asked for a separate line item to be included in the financial statement for the assessment to Central Utah Water Conservancy District. Roger Stanworth asked Sheldon Talbot to discuss the contract with the Central Utah Water Conservancy District. The 1987 budget allowed for \$28,500.00 for the 22 stations on the Sevier River. The budget was approved by the Central Utah Water Conservancy Board. Sheldon is working on a draft 5-year contract for the operation of 22 stations at \$28,500.00. Central Utah Water Conservancy District would also contract with the Sevier River Water Users for the 6 stations on the San Pitch at \$1,500.00 per station and then the Sevier River Water Users would contract with the San Pitch System for this amount. It was again discussed why the \$1,500.00 per station was not allowed for the 22 stations on the Sevier. Sheldon Talbot suggested that the Sevier River Board send a letter to the Central Utah Water Conservancy District requesting that the District appropriate enough money to allow the operation of 22 stations on the Sevier River System at an annual operation cost of \$1,500.00 per station. A motion was made by Phill Nielson and seconded by Clark Wall to write this letter. The motion carried.

A resolution was then formulated to send to the Central Utah Water Conservancy Board for the operation of the gauging stations as discussed. Sheldon Talbot discussed the location of the stations on the Sevier and San Pitch Systems. He also discussed the water exchange studies for Hatchtown Dam and it's progress.

Arlon Nelson from the Salina Creek Irrigation Company requested a letter from the Sevier River Water Users to the Central Utah Water Conservancy District in support of a new 5,000 acre-foot reservoir on Salina Creek. They want 4,300 acre-feet of water from Central Utah Project and will combine it with an existing storage right of 700 acre-feet. Those present discussed the possibilities of available water for this project and decided to take no action at this time on the request.

Commissioner Owens gave his report. He explained that the Soil Conservation Service had put elevations on the snow course reports so that we can tell where the water in the snow reports is located. He also discussed the snowpack information in the Snotel report and said that the upper Sevier River was slightly below average on all stations. The reservoirs are in good shape for storage quantities at the present time.

Commissioner Walker said that all reservoirs in his district are ok and will be filled this spring. He said the satellite gauging stations are handy to use and they provide good data. There is a possibility of 4 more stations being installed on the system. The 1987 budget was discussed. Dan Perkins made a motion to set the commissioners salary at \$17,500.00 for next year. The motion died for lack of support. Clark Wall made a motion to raise the commissioners' salary by \$1,000.00. The motion was seconded by Dwight Malmgren. All present were in favor except Dan Perkins. The motion carried. A motion was made by Dwight Malmgren and seconded by Afton Blood to set the gatemen's salary at \$4,000.00. The motion carried. A motion was made by Clark Wall and seconded by Phill Nielson to set the commissioner's mileage allowance at \$.21 per mile with a ceiling of \$12,000.00. A motion was made by Virge Brown and seconded by Afton Blood to set the 1987 budget at \$75,000.00. A motion was made by Clark Wall and seconded by Phill Nielson to set the 1987 assessment at \$79,500.00. Both motions passed. A motion was made by Clark Wall and seconded by Virge Brown to break the assessment down as follows:

Class I - \$43,200.00  
Class II - \$3,300.00  
Central Utah Water Conservancy District - \$33,000.00

The motion Carried.

The line items for the 1987 budget were set as follows:

SEVIER RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1987 BUDGET EXPENDITURES

<u>Budget Item No.</u>	<u>Description of Budget Item</u>	<u>Amount Approved 1987</u>
1.	Commissioner's Salary (Upper)	\$18,500.00
2.	Commissioner's Salary (Lower)	18,500.00
3.	Gatemen's Salaries	4,000.00
4.	Comm's & Gatemen's Social Security	2,900.00
5.	Comm's & Gatemen's State Retirement	5,330.00
6.	Bond & Insurance & Health Ins. Premiums	5,500.00
7.	Commissioner's Annual Report	700.00
8.	Office Expense	100.00
9.	Telephone Expense	500.00
10.	Comms. Travel Expense	12,000.00
11.	Miscellaneous Expense	970.00
12.	Equipment & Supplies	3,000.00
13.	Seasonal Help	500.00
14.	Sevier River Water Users	<u>2,500.00</u>
	Total 1987 Budget	\$75,000.00
	Total 1987 Assessment	\$79,500.00

A motion was made by Dwight Malmgren and seconded by Phill Nielson to recommend to the State Engineer that Ray Owens and Roger Walker be appointed as Commissioners. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 P.M.