

February 28, 1979

11:00 A. M.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SPANISH FORK RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, HELD IN THE STRAWBERRY HIGH LINE WATER USER'S CONFERENCE ROOM AT PAYSON, UTAH

Donald Norseth called the meeting to order and gave a brief water report. He stated that there are bills in the State Legislature which would effect water allocation & water regulation, but they have not been acted upon.

Mr. Norseth said that the water outlook was just the opposite from past years, with the largest amounts of precipitation being in the southern part of the State.

Mr. Norseth introduced Arthur May and Edward Feldt from the Division of Water Rights Office.

Utah Lake is near the Compromise Level. Jordan River has a capacity of 900 second feet which could cause problems with run off water in Utah Lake this spring.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting held February 27, 1978 were read by the Secretary August Swenson & upon a motion by Reed Rindlisbacher, seconded by Morris Smith the minutes were accepted as read. A copy was left with Donald Norseth.

Mr. Norseth said that he talked with Mr. Walter Draper from the Utah County Flood Control. Any assistance by individuals or groups must be on a voluntary basis.

Donald Norseth gave the State Engineer's Financial Report. Several delinquent assessments have been collected and proper credit given. In the Financial Report it showed Item-C Balance of distribution of trust funds December 31, 1978. . . . \$5222.79.

The proposed budget for 1979 was read by Secretary August Swenson. Snell Olsen made the motion that the proposed 1979 assessment remain the same as 1978 or \$18048.00 to use some of the trust funds shown in Item-C of the Financial Report. Seconded by Ray Whiting. The motion carried. Ernest Hanks made the motion that item-5 Bonds & Insurance Premium \$200.00 changed to \$160.00 & item-7 Annual Report 1978 for \$250.00 change to \$290.36 with these changes that the budget stand approved. Seconded by Reed Christmas. The motion carried. A copy of the budget was left with Mr. Norseth.

Lynn Mendenhall gave the River Commissioner's Report. A copy was left with Mr. Norseth. In his report he stated that Strawberry Reservoir had 157,380 acre feet of water in active storage as of December 31, 1978 or 19,500 ac. ft. more than at the close of 1977 and that precipitation was 150% above normal to date.

He stated that he liked his work & would like to continue as River Commissioner for 1979.

Ronald Davis gave the Deputy River Commissioner's Report. He reported that he enjoyed his work during the summer & that he enjoyed working with Lynn Mendenhall and that he would like to continue on as Deputy River Commissioner for 1979.

Upon a motion by Reed Christmas, seconded by Ernest Hanks the River Commissioner's Report and the Deputy River Commissioner's Report were accepted as read.

Snell Olsen said that a letter should be sent to the Utah Department of Transportation, reminding them to install gates to the Olsen property and to the access road paralleling the Rio Grande Rail Road track west of the new bridge over the Rio Grande Rail Road track just west of the Moark Junction & highway 89. The frontage road is about 400 foot long and is used to reach the Mapleton Canal turnout from the river. The River Commissioner will contact the Department of Transportation on the above matter.

John D. Huff voiced appreciation to Lynn Mendenhall & Ronald Davis for the work of the past year.

John D. Huff reported that members of the River Distribution System would like to recommend Lynn Mendenhall for River Commissioner & Ronald Davis for Deputy River Commissioner for the 1979 irrigation season.

Mr. Donald Norseth said that he would accept the recommendation & make the appointments.

Donald Norseth said that there was nothing in writing with regard to *correlation with Spanish Fork rights* Water Rights under the Central Utah Project.

Reed Rindlisbacher invited members of the Spanish Fork River Distribution System to use the Conference Room of the new Strawberry Water User's Association Building, located at 745 North 500 East, Payson, Utah for the 1980 meeting. The group accepted the invitation to hold the 1980 meeting at the above location.

Motion to Adjourn

12 Noon

August Swenson
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The following were present: Division of Water Rights, Donald Norseth
Edward Feldt & Arthur V. May.

Strawberry Water User's Association, Reed Rindlisbacher, Milton Theobald,
Ray S. Whiting, Morris Smith & Snell Swenson.

Spanish Fork River Joint Committee, John D. Huff, Reed Christmas, Snell
Olsen, Ernest Hanks & August Swenson.

River Commissioner Lynn Mendenhall & Deputy River Commissioner Ronald
Davis.

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