

MINUTES

of the

Annual Meeting of the Water Users of the Summit Creek System and
Representatives of the State Engineer's Office

March 18, 1992

The meeting was called to order by Lee Sim, representative of the State Engineer's office. Lee Sim organized the system into groups and it was decided that each group would have one vote. The groups are Smithfield City, Smithfield Irrigation Company, Hyde Park City, High water users, and North Bench Ditch.

Bob Fotheringham was asked to read the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made by Noble Erickson to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Jeff Gittins. Motion passed.

Lee read the financial report and fielded questions about George Weeks assessments that are not paid. Cleon Chambers made motion to accept the financial statement. It was seconded by Jeff Gittins, and passed.

Jewel Smith gave the river commissioner's report. He said it rained the first part of the season. August 15 was the first that he measured water in the upper canal. 1.15 cfs of water is going over the black pipe. No record of rights and water flows were kept.

Don Hansen questioned North Bench Ditch's starting at 8 cfs, lowered to 6 cfs. Noble said that the flow reduced to 4.5 cfs. Again, no written report is available. Jeff Gittins expressed the concern of water overflowing down creek during morning hours. He said that at noon the creek was dry. Jeff is going to install a new diversion and sluice to resolve the problem of the claim of waste of water down the creek. Jewell mentioned that a pressure reducer could be installed and stop some distribution problems. Bob Fotheringham said he will work with Jewel to get daily records if possible. Don moved to accept commissioners report, Cleon seconded, motion passed.

Lee re-explained roles of operation for the distribution system for Jim Gass, five groups, etc. Don Hansen explained that the person has to be nominated by the entity they represent.

Jeff wanted it of record that a quorum of three needs to be in attendance at meetings to make decisions. All agreed.

Budget. Don asked if \$2,595.54 was spent last year. Lee confirmed that it had. It was decided to ask about a commissioner first. Jeff moved to look for applicants again for at least 2 years. Lee

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asked when the system would know who they would recommend. Jeff said he would do the advertising. Jim Gass asked that qualifications and duties be more clearly defined. Jeff agreed to define minimum qualifications to applicants for the position. The following list were possible duties:

- check all diversions 2 times a day
- when short of water 4 times a day.
- 3 hours 1 trip
- 3 times/week if high water
- 10/week

Jeff suggested \$3,000 for salary, 29 1/2 cents/mile, with a total of \$500, with a cost to produce the annual report of \$50.

Jeff thanked Jim for working with Hyde Park and getting a measuring device installed.

Jeff motioned to ask Cleon to pay for portion of cost. It was asked if the State Engineer could loan a recorder to the Smithfield system. It was pointed out that the system has budgeted \$2,000 for recorder purchase in the \$6,000 budget. A motion was made by Noble to accept a \$6,000 budget and assess \$6,000. It was seconded by Steve Seamons. There was some discussion, then a motion for Jeff Gittins to be the chairman, seconded by Jim Gass, motion passed.

Other duties for the commissioner were discussed and assignments were made.

Those present at the meeting were:

John Larsen	Division of Water Rights
William Atkin	Division of water Rights
Jeffrey R. Gittins	Smithfield Irrigation Co.
Jewel Smith	Smithfield 198 E 4th S
Robert Fotheringham	Division of Water Rights
Lee Sim	Division of Water Rights
Noble Erickson	Smithfield North Bench Ditch Co.
Don Hansen	Logan Northern Canal Co.
Steve Seamons	Hyde Park City
Cleon Chambers	Smithfield High water