

WATER USERS ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of the Water Users on Utah Lake & Jordan River from the pumping plant on Utah Lake to and including the North Jordan Weir near Midvale, Utah.

The meeting was held in the Utah State Engineer's Office, State Capitol, January 21, 1965, at 10:00 a.m.

Those present and the users represented were as follows:

Frank Reese	Controller, State Engineer's Office
C. J. Barber	U.S. Smelting, Mining & Refining Company
Morris Butterfield	Utah & Salt Lake Canal, Director
Vern H. Morgan	Utah & Salt Lake Canal, Director
F. E. Seal	Pres., Utah Lake Distributing Company
Herman C. Nielsen	Pres., South Jordan Canal Company
C. Rell Swensen	Pres., North Jordan Irrigation Company
Richard Carlquist	Pres., Draper Irrigation Company
Elmer J. Taylor	Utah Power & Light Company
J. H. Breeze	Pres., Utah & Salt Lake Canal
Alma Fairbourn	Pres., East Jordan Irrigation Company
Harmon E. Day	East Jordan Irrigation Company, Director
Frank Pierson	East Jordan Irrigation Company, Director
Charles W. Wilson	Supt., S.L.C. Dept. Water Supply & Water Works
Richard R. Pexton	Accountant, State Engineer's Office
R. Keith Higginson	Engineer, State Engineer's Office
Wayne D. Criddle	Utah State Engineer
Donald C. Norseth	Distribution Engineer, State Engineer's Office
Earl M. Staker	Distribution Engineer, State Engineer's Office
David I. Gardner	Comm., Utah Lake and Jordan River

Wayne D. Criddle, Frank Reese, R. R. Pexton, Donald C. Norseth, R. Keith Higginson, Earl M. Staker and David I. Gardner were present, but had no voice in the voting. Mr. Morgan and Mr. Butterfield, Directors of the Utah and Salt Lake Canal, Mr. Day and Mr. Pierson, Directors of the East Jordan Irrigation Company, and Elmer J. Taylor, Utah Power & Light Company, sat in on the meeting, but had no voice in the voting.

Wayne Criddle, State Engineer, opened the meeting and set out the procedure of the meeting. It was determined by canvass of those present

that there was a quorum in attendance. It was moved by Mr. Nielsen and seconded by Mr. Carlquist that Mr. Charles W. Wilson act as Chairman of the meeting, and Mr. David I. Gardner act as Secretary, and that if there were no objections to these two gentlemen succeeding themselves to these positions that they be elected by acclamation. There was no objection, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Charles W. Wilson, Chairman, ordered the Secretary, Mr. David I. Gardner, to read the minutes of the previous meeting held January 17, 1964. There were no amendments or corrections, and the minutes were approved as read.

The Chairman then asked for a financial report which was read and explained by Mr. Frank Reese, a copy of the financial report having previously been furnished by the Secretary to each of the major users in the District. Among other things the 1964 report showed as follows:

A. Balance of funds on hand:			
1. Beginning of year	\$	5,931.56	
2. End of year		<u>5,793.35</u>	
3. Change during year			\$ -138.21
B. Receipts and expenditures:			
1. Receipts			
(a) Regular Assessments	\$	10,958.29	
(b) Special Collections		<u>3.79</u>	
(c) Total	\$	<u>10,962.08</u>	
2. Expenditures	\$	11,100.29	
C. Difference between receipts and expenditures	\$		\$ -138.21

Mr. Reese pointed out that there were no delinquent accounts against the 1964 assessments. He thought this was the only district in the state with complete collections.

Mr. Swensen moved that the financial report be approved and ordered filed. Seconded by Mr. Seal. Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Nielsen, and seconded by Mr. Fairbourn, that the salary of the Commissioner be set at \$5,250.00 per year, payable in 12 equal monthly installments for such portion of his time as is necessary to properly distribute the waters of the system and file a complete report of his work with the State Engineer, and in addition to the above salary the association shall pay the telephone bill of the Commissioner, he shall receive 7¢ per mile automobile expense while on official duty, and \$20.00 per month shall be paid to the Commissioner for office rent. Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Swensen, and seconded by Mr. Nielsen, that the salary of the Deputy Commissioner be set at \$3,900.00 per year, payable in 12 equal monthly installments, and in addition to the above salary he shall receive 7¢ per mile automobile expense while on official duty. Said automobile expense shall be approved by the Utah Lake Commissioner. Carried unanimously.

The Chairman declared the next order of business would be the election of a Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner for recommendation to the State Engineer for appointment. Mr. Swensen moved that David I. Gardner be recommended to the State Engineer for the position of Commissioner of Utah Lake and Jordan River, and that Mr. Jack Rindlisbach be recommended to the State Engineer for appointment to the position of Deputy Commissioner of Utah Lake and Jordan River, both for the period from January 1, 1965, to December 31, 1965, or until a successor to either or both be appointed and qualified. It was seconded by Mr. Breeze and was carried unanimously. At this point, Mr. Criddle, Utah State Engineer, made a statement accepting the two appointees as recommended by the water users assembled.

It was moved by Mr. Breeze and seconded by Mr. Fairbourn that the same committee from the Water Users be elected to serve as representatives for the Water Users of the District in transacting any business with the State Engineer on behalf of the District for the ensuing year.

Mr. Charles W. Wilson, Mr. Richard Carlquist, Mr. Herman C. Nielsen, and Mr. David I. Gardner were members of the previous committee who were to serve for the ensuing year, and Mr. Charles W. Wilson was to act as Chairman and Mr. David I. Gardner as Secretary. Carried unanimously.

The next order of business was the setting of the budget for the year 1965. Mr. Carlquist moved and Mr. Barber seconded the motion that the budget for 1965 be set at \$11,500.00 to be distributed to the various accounts as follows:

WATER COMMISSIONER OF UTAH LAKE	
Salary	\$ 5,250.00
Travel	600.00
Telephone	120.00
Social Security Matching	174.00
State Retirement	210.00
DEPUTY WATER COMMISSIONER OF UTAH LAKE	
Salary	\$ 3,900.00
Travel	150.00
Social Security Matching	141.38
State Retirement	156.00
NEW EQUIPMENT	100.00
BONDS AND INSURANCE PREMIUMS	75.00
COMMISSIONER'S REPORT	200.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	100.00
CONTINGENCY EXPENSE AVAILABLE FOR DEFICIENCY FUNDS	83.62
OFFICE RENT	<u>240.00</u>
TOTAL	\$11,500.00

Further, that the State Engineer be authorized to assess the water users in proportion to the average use of water over the past five year period sufficient to produce \$11,500.00, and the difference between the budget and the amount to be collected be made up from the now existing bank balance, and that the minimum assessment to any water user be \$1.00, and that the State Engineer be authorized to use any surplus or bank balance remaining to the credit of the association on December 31, 1964, to meet expenses until such time as the 1965 assessment is collected, and that the State Engineer be authorized to charge a 10% penalty on all accounts that are over 60 days delinquent. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner was asked to make a report of the outlook for the coming year of the water supply for Utah Lake. The report was as follows:

The water outlook for 1965 is especially good this year. Utah Lake elevation on January 15th was - 5.20 feet below compromise, with a content of 375,800 acre feet, compared with - 7.14 feet and a content of 236,200 acre feet last year. We are up 139,600 acre feet, which is more than the usable capacity of Deer Creek. Deer Creek has in storage now about 120,000 acre feet, so it can gain only 35,000 acre feet to fill.

The present run-off predictions are for 125% to 150% of normal, so this would assure our 1965 water supply.

I have talked with the Board of Canal Presidents about appointing the Utah Lake Dam Commission in case the present upward trend in rainfall continues. The Commission has not been active for the past five (5) years, because Utah Lake's maximum elevation did not reach the elevation of the bottom of Jordan River.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Mr. Barber that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Seal. Carried unanimously.

  
/s/ Charles W. Wilson  
Chairman

/s/ David I. Gardner  
Secretary