

MINUTES

Meeting of the water users of the Utah Lake and  
Jordan River System

Held February 25, 1941, 2 p.m. in Room 200 State Capitol  
Building, Salt Lake City, Utah

There were present:

David I. Gardner	Water Commissioner
Joseph S. Mousley	Mousley Ditch
S. J. Nielsen	Beckstead Ditch
Edward B. Jones	Utah Lake Distributing Co.
Wilford C. Hardman	Utah Lake Distributing Co.
R. J. Murdock	Utah Lake Distributing Co.
James H. Jensen	Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.
Heber A. Smith	Draper Irrigation Co.
Herbert R. Sadd	Kennecott Copper Corp.
Joseph Hibbard	South Jordan Canal Co.
W. L. Latshaw	Gelena Canal and U. S. Smelting Co.
L. Tanner	Salt Lake City, Corporation
R. C. Towler	Salt Lake City Corporation
J. R. Allen	East Jordan Irrigation Co.
Hyrum Bennion Jr.	North Jordan Irrigation Co.

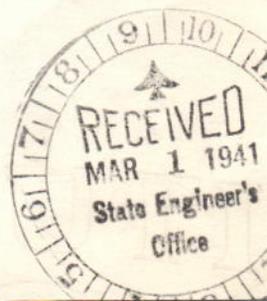
On motion of James H. Jensen, seconded by W. L. Latshaw, David I. Gardner was elected chairman of the meeting. On motion of Joseph Hibbard, seconded by Heber A. Smith, Hyrum Bennion Jr. was elected secretary.

Mr. Gardner read the financial statement furnished by the State Engineer, Mr. T. H. Humphrey, showing the condition of the Utah Lake and Jordan River Distribution Fund.

Discussion followed on various items in the report particularly on the delinquent accounts.

Mr. Murdock stated the Utah Lake Distributing Co. considered the assessments made on that company were unfair. They had not used any water since 1934 excepting that used and paid for by individual stockholders. He stated the company was in financial difficulties and unable to meet the amount shown delinquent. In reply to the question as to how the assessment had been made, Mr. Gardner explained that it was made on a five-year average. It would therefore keep their amount very low for the first few years when they began using again.

Mr. Murdock stated his company would rather pay on the basis of water used in the past and also in the future.



J. R. Allen made a motion that the program of making the assessment on the basis of a five-year average be maintained and that the Utah Lake Distributing Company's delinquent assessment be cancelled excepting \$127.40, this amount was due based on actual amount of water used in 1934<sup>and</sup> that further assessment be withheld until the company began using water, then the basis be upon the amount of water used each year. The motion was seconded by ~~Joseph H. Jensen~~ <sup>James</sup> and carried.

The recommendation for the appointment of water commissioners for the coming year was announced as the next order of business.

R. C. Towler moved that David I. Gardner be recommended for water commissioner, seconded by Joseph Hibbard and unanimously carried. R. C. Towler also moved that the recommendation be upon the same basis of service as last year, namely three fourths times and the boundries of the system be the same as the previous year. The motion was seconded by ~~James H. Jensen~~ and unanimously carried.

Mr. Sadd requested that the minutes show the Kennecott Copper Co. not voting. On Motion of Joseph Hibbard and seconded by R. C. Towler, Fred C. Wanlass was recommended for the appointment for Deputy Water Commissioner. Motion passed.

The budget for the coming year was considered. Hyrum Bennion Jr., moved that the budget be the same amount as the previous year, \$4300.00, that the distribution be the same and the assessment be levied to meet the required amount, seconded by Joseph Hibbard and unanimously carried. Mr. Tower called attention to the bills introduced in the legislature that affected the water laws of the state and should have the careful attention of all water users. He stated the bills were in the sifting committees and gave a list of the personnel of the committees.

Adjourned on motion of J. R. Allen.

Hyrum Bennion Jr.  
Secretary

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