

MINUTES OF THE UTAH LAKE & JORDAN RIVER
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ANNUAL MEETING
INCLUDING THE JORDAN RIVER & ITS TRIBUTARIES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2008

This meeting was held in Conference Room #214 at the Department of Natural Resources Building, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City on Tuesday, January 15, 2008. The meeting began at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT:

Jeff Niermeyer	Chairman BOCP & Deputy Director, Salt Lake City Corporation
Bill Marcovecchio	President, East Jordan Irrigation Co
LeRoy Withers	South Jordan Canal Co
Nelson Petersen	President, Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.
Keith Hansen	President, North Jordan Irrigation Co.
Jim Wilson	Secretary, Board Of Canal Presidents
David B. Gardner	Commissioner, Utah Lake & Jordan River Distribution System
Van King, Sr.	Water Specialist, Kennecott Land Co.
Lee Sim	Utah Division of Water Rights
John Mann	Utah Division of Water Rights
John S. Larsen	Utah Division of Water Rights
Ben Anderson	Utah Division of Water Rights
Gregory Williams	Utah Division of Water Rights
Rod Sorensen	Sandy City
Scott Hill	Riverton City
Jared Hansen	Central Utah Water Conservancy District
Hugh Hedges	South Valley Water
Deloy Osborne	Gelena Canal
Jeff Bryant	Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District & Welby Jacob Water Users Committee

Those present without voting powers are:

- Lee Sim Utah Division of Water Rights
- John Mann Utah Division of Water Rights
- John S. Larsen Utah Division of Water Rights
- Ben Anderson Utah Division of Water Rights
- Gregory Williams Utah Division of Water Rights
- Jim Wilson Secretary, Board Of Canal Presidents
- David B. Gardner Commissioner, Utah Lake & Jordan River Distribution System

Mr. Jeff Niermeyer called the meeting to order at 10:a.m.

Mr. Lee Sim introduced himself and announced to the group in attendance that Utah State requires that all public meetings be recorded. He noted that the recorded information would be available on the web at www.waterrights.utah.gov under the heading meetings / distribution meetings.

Mr. Jeff Niermeyer requested the Commissioner, Mr. Gardner, to read the Minutes from the Annual Meeting held January 16, 2007. Mr. Bill Marcovecchio made a motion to accept the report subject to the date corrections as noted and the name correction for Mr. Gregory Williams. This motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson Petersen. This motion was voted on and carried.

Mr. Sim discussed the Administrative Rule 655-15 regarding the establishment of operating guidelines for the various distribution systems. These guidelines address the hiring, replacement and training of Distribution System Commissioner's. A more formal hiring and training process was considered necessary to avoid unplanned interruptions to the overall water distribution process. The new administration rule specifies the responsibilities and authority of Commissioner's. Mr. Niermeyer advised that the selection committee prepared a job description for a Deputy Commissioner and placed advertisements for the position. Fifteen resumes were received and evaluated with four individuals selected for the interview process. This Deputy Commissioner position would cross-train with Mr. Gardner during the last year of Mr. Gardner's 4-year term during 2008 to ensure an effective transition. Mr. John Larsen was recommended by the selection committee for the position of Deputy Commissioner. A joint motion was made by Mr. Keith Hansen and Mr. Jeff Bryant to accept the nomination of John Larsen for the position. This motion was seconded by Mr. Van King Sr.. This motion was voted on and carried.

The next order of business was a review of the Financial Statement for the 2007 year by Mr. Sim. Copies of the Utah Lake & Jordan River Distribution System Trust Fund 2007 Financial Statement were distributed for review. In summary, the Beginning Balance January 1, 2007 was \$20,758.58 Receipts totaled \$173,670.23. Expenditures totaled \$174,219.33 with an ending balance of \$20,209.48. The total expenses exceeded the 2007 budget of \$172,192.00 by \$2,027.33. The Trust For Public Lands was the only delinquent water assessment for 2007 at \$226.89. Mr. Marcovecchio made a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented. This motion was seconded by Mr. LeRoy withers. This motion was voted on and carried.

Mr. Jeff Niermeyer opened discussion on the 2008 Commissioner's Budget proposal. The proposed budget total before adjustments was \$233,456 and included several changes from the prior year.

- Salary for Commissioner Gardner was increased from \$24,000 to \$27,000 with resulting changes to Social Security, Retirement and Insurance accordingly. Travel Expense was held at \$1,000.
- Salary for the Deputy Commissioner, Greg Lewis was increased from \$16,050 to \$17,500 with resulting change to Social Security, Retirement and Insurance.
- Salary for Deputy Commissioner Kirk Rindlisbach was increased from \$21,770 to \$23,730 with resulting changes in Social Security, Retirement and Insurance. Travel Expense was reduced from \$1,000 to \$500.
- Salary for Deputy Commissioner Perry Smith was increased from \$21,770 to \$33,770. Mr. Niermeyer explained that the additional increase in salary for Mr. Perry Smith was due to a significant change in job responsibilities. The change in responsibility was considered necessary to separate duties previously performed by the Commissioner in order to avoid any potential conflict of interest. Mr. Smith will be responsible for supervising the Lehi and Jordan Narrows operations. In addition, he will be required to attend the Board of Canal Presidents meetings to report on activities and water conditions at these two facilities.
- Salary for the new Deputy Commissioner, John Larsen, was set at \$24,000 with related costs for Social Security, Retirement and Travel Expense. In addition, Mr. Larsen requested adding \$2,100 for addition of a new line for his dental and vision insurance.
- Secretarial Expense was increased from \$600 to \$1,000 and the other expenses in the proposed budget were held to the 2007 level. The State Engineer's Assessment was calculated at 7.5% of the 2007 Amount Expended of 174,219.33 minus the State Engineer's Assessment for 2007 of 11,700. This revised Assessment for 2008 amounts to \$12,189.

After adjusting the proposed budget of \$233,456 for the addition of Mr. Larsen's Dental and Vision coverage of \$2,100 and the corrected Assessment of \$12,189, the revised 2008 Commissioner's Budget totaled \$232,472. Two motions were in order regarding this budget. Mr. Van King Sr. made a motion to approve the Dental and Vision coverage of \$2,100 for Mr. John Larsen. This motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson Petersen. The motion was voted on and carried. Mr. Jeff Bryant made a motion to accept the amended Commissioner's 2008

Budget of \$232,472. This motion was seconded by Mr. Keith Hansen. The motion was voted on and carried. Included with these minutes is a copy of the Amended Budget.

The 2008 Assessment of was recommended at \$225,000, Mr. Bill Marcovecchio made a motion to accept the recommendation. This motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson Petersen. This motion was voted on and carried.

Regarding the 2008 water outlook, Mr. John Larsen reviewed current water conditions to this point in the season. Snow pack suggests that we are on track for an average year. Mr. Jeff Niermeyer provided a graph of Utah Lake levels for discussion. At this point, it appears that the water supply for next season is on track. Mr. Niermeyer advised the group on the repairs at the Deer Creek spillway.

Mr. Lee Sim commented on the installation of automated telemetry stations along the system. Mr. Ben Anderson commented that efforts were ongoing to resolve compatibility problems with the devices and that the old Stevens recorders would be retained as a double check on accuracy for a time.

Mr. Sim updated the group on the State's Enforcement Program and the ongoing effort to deal with violations along the distribution system. The State process for dealing with violations will protect the identity of informants who provide information to the State.

General discussion followed regarding overall performance along the system. Mr. Marcovecchio and Mr. Nelson Petersen both commented that they normally contact Mr. Kirk Rindlisbach at the Jordan Narrows if water flow changes are needed. Mr. Rindlisbach then contacts the Commissioner to make necessary changes. Mr. Keith Hansen stated that the North Jordan being at the end of the system needs six to eight hours of notice when release changes are made in order for them to make adjustments along their system.

The Commissioner's Report was presented by Mr. David Gardner. Mr. Nelson Petersen made a motion to accept this report as read. This motion was seconded by Mr. Van King Sr. The motion was voted on carried.

The next order of business was the selection of a Committee to represent this District and transact related business. Mr. Bill Marcovecchio made a motion that the Committee includes the individuals noted below. This motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson Petersen. This motion was voted on carried.

- | <u>Member Name</u> | <u>Representing</u> |
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| ○ Bill Marcovecchio | East Jordan Irrigation Co |
| ○ Jeff Niermeyer | Salt Lake City |
| ○ Van King Sr. | Kennecott Land Company |
| ○ Keith Hansen | North Jordan Irrigation Company |
| ○ Jeff Bryant | Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District & Welby Jacob WUC |
| ○ Mel Spencer | Utah Lake Distributing |
| ○ LeRoy Withers | South Jordan Canal Company |
| ○ Nelson Petersen | Utah & Salt Lake Canal Company |

No other business was brought before the group.

This meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Jim Wilson, Secretary
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UTAH LAKE & JORDAN RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM
2008 PROPOSED BUDGET - REVISED

1	Salary – Commissioner: Gardner, David B.	27,000
2	Social Security	2,065
3	Retirement	4,266
4	Insurance	5,400
5	Travel Expense	1,000
6	Salary – Deputy Commissioner #3: Lewis, Greg	17,500
7	Social Security	1,339
8	Retirement	2,765
9	Insurance	13,300
10	Salary – Deputy Commissioner #1: Rindlisbach, Kirk	23,730
11	Social Security	1,815
12	Retirement	3,749
13	Insurance	13,300
14	Travel Expense	500
15	Salary – Deputy Commissioner #2: Smith, Perry	33,770
16	Social Security	2,583
17	Retirement	5,336
18	Insurance	13,300
19	Travel Expense	1,100
20	Salary – Deputy Commissioner #4: Larsen, John	24,000
21	Social Security	1,813
22	Retirement	3,792
23	Travel	1,000
24	Dental & Vision Coverage	2,100
25	Secretarial Expense	1,000
26	Office Expense	2,400
27	Supplies & Equipment	1,000
28	Telephone Expense	960
29	Contractual Services	7,000
30	Miscellaneous Expense	400
31	Commissioner’s Annual Report	1,000
32	Subtotal	220,283
33	State Engineer’s Assessment	12,189
34	TOTAL PROPOSED 2008 BUDGET	232,472