

UTAH LAKE & JORDAN RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

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WATER USERS ANNUAL MEETING

The Minutes of the Utah Lake and Jordan River Distribution System
Including the Jordan River and its Tributaries

The Annual Meeting was held in the Department of Natural Resources Building, Conference Room #214, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah, on Monday, January 10, 2000. The meeting began at 10:10 a.m. Those present and the Companies they represent are as follows:

Jeff Niermeyer	Salt Lake City Corporation
Raed Mackay	South Jordan Canal Company
Keith L. Hansen	North Jordan Canal Company
Kurt Myers	Central Utah Water Conservancy District
Tim O'Hara	Salt Lake City Corporation
Jeff Bryant	Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District

Those members excused are:

Bill Marcovecchio	East Jordan Irrigation Company
John Newman	Utah and Salt Lake Canal

Those present without voting powers are:

Lee Sim	Division of Water Rights
David B. Gardner	Commissioner
Jim Riley	Division of Water Rights
John Larsen	Division of Water Rights

It was determined, by canvass of those present, that there was an adequate, qualified representation to form a legal quorum; therefore, the meeting was considered official.

Mr. Sim introduced himself and the other representatives from the Division of Water Rights to the members present and indicated he would be conducting the meeting.

Mr. Sim then indicated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman and Secretary for the water users. A motion was made by Mr. ~~Niermeyer~~^{HANSEN}, seconded by Mr. Mackay, that Mr. Niermeyer act as Chairman and Mr. Gardner be elected as Secretary. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Sim then turned the meeting over to Mr. Niermeyer for the balance of the agenda.

Mr. Niermeyer then asked Mr. Gardner to read the minutes of the meeting held on January 5, 1999. After the reading of the minutes a motion was made by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Mackay, that these minutes be accepted as read. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Sim then addressed the Board concerning the sale of stock by the Division of Water Rights and showed a profit to the ~~District~~^{DIST. SYSTEM} of \$1,427.21 which is reflected in the Trust Account of said ~~District~~^{DIST. SYSTEM}.

Mr. Niermeyer then asked Mr. Sim to review the Financial Report as prepared by his Department. After the reading of the Financial Report, Mr. Sim noted that there were no delinquent accounts in our system. A motion was then made by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Hanson, that the Financial Report be accepted as read. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Niermeyer then indicated the next order of business was the review of the proposed Budget for 2000. Mr. Sim then went over the line items of the Budget that was expended in 1999. After some discussion with the members present, a motion was made by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Mackay, that a Budget of \$124,303.00 be adopted and an assessment to the District be made of \$124,000.00. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Niermeyer then asked Mr. Gardner to read his 2000 Commissioner's Report.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Our water year started on October 15, 1998 with the Lake sitting at compromise. The outlet gates were open at that time. The Lake continued to rise and on January 1, 1999, the Lake was at +0.37 feet above compromise. It continued its upward trend until June 15, 1999, which was its peak at a +0.80 feet above compromise. On August 20, 1999, the Lake was at a -0.65 feet below compromise and the pumps were then started. We continued our irrigation season throughout the summer and on October 15, 1999, we discontinued delivering water and the pumps were then shut down. During this pumping operation, it was noted by the Superintendent Perry Smith that

some of the discharge pipes were eroding and causing air leakage, thus causing the pumps to lose their prime. We used a Band-Aid treatment until we could drain the discharge site at the pumps and a full investigation was made as to what repairs needed to be done. We then reinforced the discharge pipes inside the pump house with concrete and all of the discharge pipes outside the pumps house were coated with epoxy (two coats). Both the Superintendent and I feel that this should solve our problems for quite some time.

As noted in last year's report, Jack Rindlisbach retired on April 1, 1999, and his Son, Kirk Rindlisbach, has taken over his position as Deputy Commissioner in the Jordan Narrows. We have had very few glitches with his running the Distribution System in the Narrows. I feel that as time goes on, he will work into being a very good employee. One of the things that was accomplished with the Provo River Water Users Association and the Deputy Commissioner in the Jordan Narrows regarding the water spills from the Provo Reservoir Canal into the Jordan River was that a contract was finally reached in that the Deputy Commissioner would make adjustments at both the Turner Dam and the Joint Dam anytime that the Provo Reservoir Canal spilled. This has been a long drawn out process, but I feel that things should work out from now on.

As of the writing of this report, Utah Lake is at a -0.40 feet below compromise and has risen from a -1.15 feet below compromise on October 15, 1999. The outlook is not good as far as our mountain snow fall is concerned, but Utah Lake should reach compromise by mid-February and again, I cannot forecast the weather so the best we can hope for is that we get a strong influx of moisture during the balance of winter and good precipitation in the spring.

A motion was then made by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Mackay, that the Commissioner's Report be accepted as read. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Niermeyer then indicated that the next order of business was the selection of a Water Commissioner and Deputy Water Commissioners be recommended to the State Engineer for the next four years appointment. A motion was made by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Bryant, that Mr. Gardner be appointed as Utah Lake and Jordan River Commissioner for the period from January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2004, to use that portion of his time as is necessary to properly distribute the water of said System and to file with the State Engineer's Office an Annual Report of said Distribution System; also that Mr. Kirk Rindlisbach, Mr. Perry Smith and Mr. Greg Lewis be recommended as Mr. Gardner's Deputy Commissioners for that same period of time. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Gardner then asked for a report from Mr. Larson as to the SnoTel reports as of this date. After some discussion, it was agreed that our water year did not look as bright as in the past with our drainage area being at 65% of normal. Mr. Larson also submitted the applications for financial assistance from the Bureau of Reclamation. In this application, there is upwards of \$25,000 outright grants to our District to be used as we see fit, but our projects must be submitted and approved by the Bureau. A copy of this Financial Assistance Application is made part of this report.

Mr. Niermeyer indicated the next order of business was the selection of a Committee to represent this District and transact any business in its behalf. Mr. Niermeyer also suggested that all members of the District be part of the Committee and by majority rule any business could be transacted for the District. A motion was made by Mr. Hansen, seconded by Mr. Mackay, that this procedure be adopted. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mr. Niermeyer then turned the meeting back over to Mr. Sim at which time he asked if there were any other business to come before this body. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Jeff Niermeyer, Acting Chairman

David B. Gardner, Secretary