

Annual Meeting of the State Engineer, of the  
Water Users of the Weber River System,  
(exclusive of the Ogden River)  
Fourth Floor, South City Court Room, Ogden, Utah  
January 12, 1954

ANNUAL  
MEETING

Pursuant to the Call of the State Engineer, and represented by

L. C. Monson, Chief Deputy State Engineer and Frank Reese, Chief Accountant, a meeting of the water users of the Weber River System (exclusive of Ogden River) was held in the South City Court Room, 4th Floor, Municipal Bldg., Ogden, Utah, on January 12, 1954. Called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chief Deputy State Engineer, L. C. Monson. Mr. Monson stated that he desired the water users to take charge of the meeting, inasmuch as this has been the procedure followed in past years, and therefore appointed D. D. Harris to act as Chairman of the meeting. Chairman Harris then appointed Virgie W. McGahan to act as Secretary of the meeting. The Chairman requested the Secretary to read the Call of the Meeting, which is as follows:

TO THE WATER USERS OF WEBER RIVER SYSTEM:

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with Title 73, Chapter 5, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, a meeting of water users of the Weber River System will be held in the Courtroom, Fourth Floor of the Municipal Building, Ogden, Utah, Tuesday, January 12, 1954, at 1:00 p.m. for the purpose of : (1) Hearing the financial report for 1953; (2) Making recommendations to the State Engineer as to the appointment of Water Commissioners for the 1954 season, and as to their duties; (3) Preparing a budget of salaries and other necessary expenses of distribution and (4) Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

JOSEPH M. TRACY, State Engineer

The roll call showed attending the meeting and representing the following:

D. D. Harris, Weber River Water Rights Committee, Weber River Water Users Association and Davis and Weber Counties Canal Company.  
C. E. Staker, Wilson Irrigation Co., and Weber River Water Rights Committee  
Chas. L. Heslop, Plain City Irrigation Co. and Weber River Water Rights Committee  
E. G. Thorum, Utah Power & Light Company, Salt Lake City, Utah  
J. M. Jones, Utah Power & Light Company, Ogden, Utah  
P. H. Sorensen, Water Commissioner  
Wm. E. Cornia, Deputy Water Commissioner

The Roll call showed that the water users present, represented approximately 95% of all water on the Weber River System.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES The Secretary read the Minutes of the last meeting held on January 13, 1953.

C. E. Staker moved the minutes be approved as read. Seconded by Chas. L. Heslop, and upon vote carried unanimously.

D. D. Harris stated that the Weber River Water Rights Committee had held its Annual Meeting at 10:00 A.M., January 12, 1954, and had discussed and approved a Proposed Budget of the Weber River Water distribution expenses, the appointment of a Commissioner and three Deputy Commissioners, their salaries, duties, and expenses for the year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954, which would be recommended and proposed at this meeting. He also stated that consideration had been given to the State Engineer's Financial Statement for 1953 and had approved the same.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT STATE ENGINEER

The State Engineer's Financial Statement was then read by Frank Reese, Chief Accountant from the State Engineer's Office. The Statement was discussed. D. D. Harris complimented the State Engineer's office for its work in collecting the assessments. The Statement showed that there are delinquent assessments unpaid in the total amount of \$435.46. He also stated that the the meeting of the Weber River Water Rights Committee of January 12, 1954 that a motion was made and unanimously carried that all assessments should be paid according to the levy and that such should be recommended for collection and request that the State Engineer to use the authority of his office in making such collections. After further discussion of the Financial Statement, J. M. Jones moved that the Financial Statement for 1953 be approved and that the State Engineer is hereby requested to make collection of all delinquent assessments. Chas. L. Heslop seconded the motion, and upon vote carried unanimously.

LIST OF WATER USERS

Frank Reese requested that a list of names and addresses be sent to him of all water users to whom a copy of the Financial Statement should be sent.

D. D. Harris stated that he appreciated the request very much, whereupon Chas. L. Heslop moved that such a list be compiled and sent to the State Engineer's Office. Motion

was seconded by C. E. Staker and upon vote carried unanimously. A list of such water users is attached hereto and by reference is made a part of these minutes.

Meeting adjourned from Judge Cowley's Court Room at 1:35 p.m. and reconvened at 1:40 p.m. in Judge Hendrickson's Court Room.

PROPOSED            The Secretary then read a Proposed Budget of expense for Water  
BUDGET FOR           Distribution for the Weber River System, (exclusive of the Ogden  
1954                   River) for the year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954, which is as follows:

BUDGET OF EXPENSE FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION  
FOR THE WEBER RIVER SYSTEM, (EXCLUSIVE OF THE OGDEN RIVER)  
January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

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1. Commissioner's Salary: P. H. Sorensen		
12 Months at \$425.00 per month - to begin		
January 1, 1954 to end December 31, 1954		\$5100.00
2. Commissioner's expense:		
a/ Automobile hire - 15,000 miles at 8¢ per mile	\$1200.00	
b. Subsistence	125.00	
c. Office expense, telephone, etc.	<u>210.00</u>	1535.00
3. Deputy Commissioner at Oakley: A. F. Richards		
5 months at \$300.00 per month - to begin		
May 1, 1954 to end Sept. 30, 1954	1500.00	
Automobile hire - 7,000 miles at 8¢ per mile	<u>560.00</u>	2060.00
4. Deputy Commissioner at Morgan: R. H. Giles		
5 months at \$300.00 per month - to begin		
May 1, 1954 to end Sept. 30, 1954	1500.00	
Automobile hire - 6,000 miles at 8¢ per mile	<u>480.00</u>	1980.00
5. Deputy Commissioner at Uinta: Wm. E. Cornia		
5 months at \$160.00 per month - to begin		
May 1, 1954 to end Sept. 30, 1954		800.00
6. Annual Report for 1953		300.00
7. Bonds and insurance for Commissioner and Deputies		85.00
8. Expense of State Engineers Office		250.00
9. New equipment and repairs to old equipment		45.00
10. Miscellaneous expense		50.00
11. Social Security for Commissioner and Deputies for 1954		148.00
12. Expense of Commissioner's attendance at NRA Convention		100.00
13. Weber River Water Rights Committee		<u>250.00</u>

Total Proposed Budget

\$ 12,703.00

Chairman Harris called attention to the total proposed budget in the sum of \$12,703.00 and stated that the Weber River Water Rights Committee, at its meeting on January 12, 1954 had recommended that the 1954 assessment

be levied on the basis of . . . . . 11,703.00

and that the remaining . . . . . 1,000.00

be drawn from the unencumbered balance of \$4,353.98 on hand in the State

Engineer's Weber River Distribution System fund, whereupon Chas. L. Heslop moved

the approval of the Proposed Budget of Expenses, for the year 1954 of water

distribution of the Weber River, and the appointment of the Commissioner and three

Deputy Commissioners, their salaries and expenses as shown in the budget, and that

the State Engineer shall levy an assessment against all the water rights on the

Weber River system, in an amount of . . . . . 11,703.00

and that there shall be drawn from the Weber River Distribution

System Fund . . . . . 1,000.00

making the total of . . . . . 12,703.00

and that the same is hereby recommended to the State Engineer. Motion seconded by

C. E. Staker and upon vote, carried unanimously.

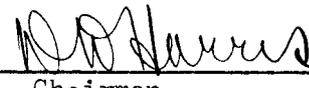
AUTHORIZATION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE W.R.W. RIGHTS COMMITTEE C. E. Staker moved that the Executive Committee, of the Weber River Water Rights Committee, consisting of D. D. Harris, Ed

Sorenson and Morgan J. Davies, shall act for and on behalf of all of the water users of the Weber River system, for the year 1954, in matters pertaining to water distribution, and confer with the State Engineer in all matters as occasion shall require, with full authority to act. Seconded by Chas. L. Heslop and upon vote, carried unanimously.

REMARKS BY L.C. MONSON Chairman Harris stated that there being no further business of the water users to come before the meeting that he would turn the time over to L. C. Monson, whereupon Mr. Monson stated that the State Engineer's office was very happy to have such cordial and friendly relations as exist between the

State Engineer and the water users on the Weber River and that the State Engineer would do everything in his power to collect all assessments levied and congratulated the Weber River Water Rights Committee for the work it was doing. Frank Reese then requested that two copies of the minutes be forwarded to the State Engineer's Office instead of just one copy as had been done in the past.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly seconded the meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.



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Chairman