

Lower Jordan River Distribution System Annual Meeting
Room 219, State Capitol
January 25, 1972, at 10:05 a. m.

Mr. Hubert C. Lambert opened the meeting and welcomed the group. He stated that Mr. Edwin Skeen, the chairman of the Lower Jordan River Distribution System, would be late due to previous commitments and that we should proceed with the meeting until he arrived. He reported on the predicted water supply for 1972 and stated that the snow pack was above normal and in excess of the snow pack for last year from which the water users had had a very good water year. He stated that this was one of the basic problems on the Utah Lake and Jordan River water system in that the Utah Lake water level for the past few years was above normal and exceeded compromise. He further stated that the level was $\frac{1}{2}$ foot above the level of last year and would certainly exceed the compromise level again, whether or not there was more snow.

In response to a question concerning the Jordan River Adjudication, he announced that the priority schedule should be completed some time in the near future. The field work is completed, and most of the claims have been signed. However, in attempting to file the priority schedule, it was found that the original adjudication file had been lost by the court and that a new document was being prepared by Dallin Jensen which would be filed in a few days. He compared the adjudication of the Jordan River with that of the Sevier River Decree and stated that the Jordan River would be ten times as large.

Mr. Lambert asked Mr. Donald Norseth to read the minutes of the 1971 annual meeting. The minutes were approved with the words without prejudice being added to paragraph #1, Page #2 pertaining to the division of water between the surplus canal and the Jordan River. Mr. Donald Norseth then read the financial report of the system, indicating that the balance of the distribution trust fund on December 31, 1971 stood at \$7,457.77. The committee then discussed the investment of the surplus funds. Mr. Ralph Anderson asked questions concerning the investment of the surplus money. Mr. Moyle also commented. Mr. Edwin Whitney moved that the financial report be accepted. It was seconded by Mr. John L. Trayner and the motion was carried unanimously. The motion was made by Mr. Paul Cannon that the water users would not be assessed for the use of water in 1972, and that the funds to operate the system be taken from the reserves. Mr. Ralph Anderson seconded the motion. It was carried that the budget for 1972 be the same as for 1971 with the exception that the committee was going to investigate the salary of Mr. David Hinkley.

Mr. Paul Cannon moved that the River system committee members remain in their positions, with the exception of Mr. Richard Nebaker, who has been replaced by Oscar Gray, for the forthcoming year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Edwin Whitney and carried unanimously. The members of the committee asked to meet after the water users' meeting to discuss matters of the organization.

Mr. Edwin J. Skeen introduced the appointment of the new Water Commissioner. The list of committee members was read by Mr. Edwin Whitney so that they could make the appointment of the new commissioner. They then asked Commissioner Johnson to read his report. After a discussion of the problems during the year and the possible solutions, it was suggested that an assistant commissioner

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be appointed to help in the months of June, July, August and September. It was moved and seconded that Mr. J. E. Johnson be reappointed as Water Commissioner, and that Mr. David Hinkley be contracted to be an assistant to Mr. Johnson and be in charge of Heusted Dam only.

Mr. Whitney made the motion to divide the water in the same way as last year. Mr. Moyle asked whether the motion could be amended to state that the water supply was to be divided 50% in the surplus canal and 50% in the Jordan River for the water year 1972 only without precedence or prejudice against all water rights and be considered as an agreement for 1972 only to be renewed each year and not be considered a firm procedure for future operations. The amendment was accepted. The amended motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Paul Cannon that the executive committee remain the same as last year with the exception of Mr. Richard Nebaker, who has been replaced by Mr. Oscar Gray, with Edwin Whitney as chairman. It was seconded by Mr. Ralph Anderson and passed unanimously.

It was then moved by Mr. Johnson that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ralph Anderson, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Members present:

John L. Trayner - Utah Power & Light

Paul B. Cannon - North Point Consolidated Irrigation Co.

Edwin Whitney - North Point Consolidated Irrigation Co. - *Kearns B19 SEC 8410)*

Milton Wilson - Lakefront Reclamation Co.

Oscar W. Gray - President, Lakefront Club

Duane D. Wright - Northfront Fur. & Rec. Co.

James R. Atkinson - Rudy R. & Sports Club

O. Wood Moyle - Jordan Fur. & Rec. Co.

J. E. Johnson - Water Commissioner

Ralph C. Anderson - Brighton & North Point Irrigation Co.

Hubert C. Lambert - State Engineer

Donald Norseth - Distribution Engineer, Water Rights

Stanley Green - Area Engineer, Water Rights

Anne Latimer - Secretary to Stanley Green