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A Meeting of The Water Users of The Price River Distribution System,
Held in Room 7 of the Price City Municipal Building, February 14, 1950.

George Waterman was Chairman of the meeting. It convened at
2:35 p.m. Mr. Monson and Mr. Reese, from the State Engineer's Office
were presiding.

Those present were:

Mr. Monson - Deputy State Engineer
Mr. Reese - Chief Accountant

Water Users:

George Waterman, Chairman
John Bene, Engineer for Irrigation District
William Marsing, Carbon Canal Co.
Orson Marsing Carbon Canal Co.
M. Q. Golding, Carbon Canal Co.
June Bryner, Carbon Canal Co.
Harold E. Wilson, Carbon Canal Co.
James K. Wells, Carbon Canal Co.
Melville Branch, Carbon Canal Co.
Moroni Hansen, River Commissioner
E. E. Peirce, Price River Water Conservation District
Rex Mathis, Price River Water Conservation District
George Biggs, Grassy Trail Creek
R. J. Bowen, Geneva Steel Co.
R. S. Hassell, County Agriculture Agent
Albert Thayne, Wellington Canal Co.
Carlyle Pace, Price Canal Co.
Doyle Barney, Carbon Canal Co.
Lon Marsing, Carbon Canal Co.
Mo. O. Porter, Bryner-Hansen Canal.
Kenneth Wilson, Carbon Canal Co.

Chairman Waterman called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m.
Official call for the meeting was read by Chairman George Waterman,
followed by the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting
held at 11:15 a.m., March 23, 1949.

One correction was made in the minutes at the request of Mr.
Monson. Change was made in Paragraph one, page two, to read, "1948"
instead of "1947". Minutes were accepted and approved on a motion
made by M. Q. Golding, seconded by Orson Marsing - vote carried.

Mr. Reese, Chief Accountant from State Engineer's office read
letter of transmittal and Financial Report from the State Engineer's
Office. Report was accepted and approved on a motion by Mr. E. E.
Peirce and seconded by Kenneth Wilson - vote carried.

Mr. Reese, Chief Accountant discussed the budget for the year
just past (1949). A favorable balance was reported. After a brief
discussion with Mr. Moroni Hansen, River Commissioner, it was learned
that his last pay check was not deducted in this financial report.

Next order of business that came before the meeting was the
recommendation of a River Commissioner for the ensuing year of 1950.
Chairman Waterman reported that Mr. Moroni Hansen, present River

Commissioner, was not interested in the appointment this year. After a brief discussion, Mr. Orson Marsing moved that the recommendation for a new River Commissioner be postponed until a future date. No applications or applicants were presented at the meeting. Motion seconded by Rex Mathis - vote carried.

Mr. E. E. Pierce moved that a committee of three be selected to find a man to recommend for the River Commissioner's position, further that one of committeemen be from Wellington, one from Price area, and one from Helper-Spring Glen area. Motion seconded by Orson Marsing - vote carried.

Following men were selected on the committee:

M. O. Porter - Helper-Spring Glen area
Albert Thayn - Wellington area
William Marsing - Price area (Carbon Canal)

Committee to report to Chairman George Waterman and John Bene, Acting Secretary. Secretary to notify State Engineer of the selection for the position of River Commissioner for the year 1950.

River Commissioner to be hired on a yearly basis and his salary paid in ten equal installments.

A discussion was started by Mr. Peirce on the various problems of distribution on the Price River System. The discussion brought up the fact that the headgates on the various canals were not rebuilt and repaired as per instructions and orders from the State Engineer. Mr. Monson reported that the State Engineer is insistent upon the execution and completion of all of his orders.

Mr. Monson stated that the State Engineer would again remind the various canals of the absolute necessity of repairing and replacing various control devices at the heads of the canals on Price River. He read a copy of the letters sent to each canal concerned with headgate control problems.

General discussion took place on various types of measuring devices used and it was the concensus of opinion that the same type of measuring device would be used on all canals. Parshall flumes met with favor. The water users present were insistent on having the Parshall Flume placed in proper operating order.

The next order of business was the setting up of an operating budget for the ensuing year of 1950.

River Commissioner's duties and salary:

Considerable discussion was heard on the River Commissioner's salary and his duties. It was concluded that the River Commissioner was responsible for the proper distribution of all waters diverted from Price River into various canal systems. He is responsible for the proper quantities turned in at each canal headgate whether it be natural flow or reservoir water. Once the water was in the canal that it became the canal water master's responsibility to see that each water user received his or her water in just proportion to what was owned. All canals must share in any or all distribution losses in the river.

Mr. Orson Marsing made a motion that River Commissioner's salary be set at \$1,800.00 per year and paid in ten equal installments. Discussion took place on salary. Mr. E. E. Pierce asked Mr. Bene, Engineer for the District, what he thought about the \$1800 for the River Commissioner's salary. Mr. Bene stated that in his opinion a good and ambitious River Commissioner would not be overpaid at this figure. Mr. Marsing's motion to pay River Commissioner \$1,800.00 was seconded by Mr. Albert Thayn - motion carried.

Snow Survey:

Discussion on snow survey was to the effect that the budget item of \$50.00 set up for this work was not sufficient to do the work. At this point Chairman Waterman reported that the old pair of snow shoes were repaired and shellac applied at the cost of \$5 and new pair of snowshoes purchased at \$14.02. Total expenditure made of \$19.02.

Motion made by M. O. Porter that the Snow Survey Budget figure be set at \$100.00. Seconded by Rex Mathis - carried.

Insurance and Bond:

Mr. Reese explained the workings of the bond and insurance fund and stated that the funds set up in the 1949 budget were not sufficient to cover the expenses - a deficit showed on the financial report. Moved by Albert Thayn and seconded by June Bryner that Insurance and Bond Fund be set at \$25.00.

Moved by Albert Thayn and seconded by Rex Mathis that the Miscellaneous item be set at \$100.00 in new budget.

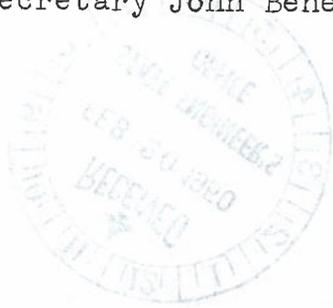
Moved by M. O. Porter and seconded by E. E. Peirce that the State Engineer's Office and Administrative expense be set at \$50.00 - same the year before.

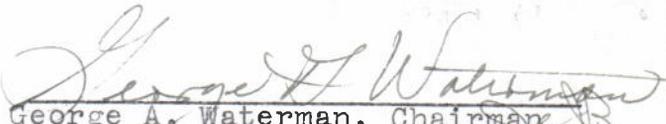
River Commissioner's Office Expense and Annual Report for 1950:

Moved by E. E. Peirce and seconded by William Marsing that River Commissioner's office expense and Annual Report 1950 item be set at \$50.00.

Total budget for year 1950 set at \$2125.00 or \$160.00 above 1949 budget.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m. on a motion from June Bryner and seconded by Mr. E. E. Peirce - carried. Minutes taken by Acting Secretary John Bene, Engineer for Irrigation District.




George A. Waterman, Chairman


John Bene, Acting Secretary