

## **Minutes of the Henry's Fork Distribution System Annual Meeting February 22, 2017**

The 2017 meeting commenced at approximately 3:00 p.m. at the School in McKinnon, Wyoming.

Ben Anderson read the minutes of the 2016 meeting and added a few comments on operational updates. Jon Wilde motioned to approve the minutes, Wade Stephens seconded. All approved.

**Report from Water Commissioner Reed Thomas:**

Regulation was not necessary in 2016. Hoop Lake was within 2 feet of spilling. The Commissioner requested that water users maintain their headgates and measuring devices in good condition. Authorization of storage water releases was also discussed. Storage water owners make their own releases as required. The Water Commissioner measures the water and reports the storage released. There is a need for more telemetry to monitor storage releases. Approximately 80% of diversions use telemetry. After some discussion a motion was made by Carol Gardiner and seconded by Joe Hickey to approve the Commissioner's report. All approved.

**Report from Utah Division of Water Rights:**

Jared Manning reported new proposed legislation to exempt river distribution systems from state purchasing rules to reverse some new legislation passed last session.

Ben Anderson reported snow water at Hickerson Park at 126%, Hole-in-Rock at 110%, and Spirit Lake at 11.8 inches. Ben also reported Utah is also attempting to maintain some of Wyoming's telemetry data on Utah's database and website as provisional data only. Wyoming's official reporting, when submitted, is also available Utah's website.

**Report from Wyoming State Engineer's Office:**

John Yarbrough, Assistant Superintendent, reported the 2016 Wyoming Financial Report. Utah was assessed the 30% of \$20,125.61, amounting to \$6,037.68. This is lower than normal because the commissioner began work in July. Water deliveries are verified by the water commissioner at least every two weeks even when not in regulation.

Jared Manning presented the Utah Financial Statement based on the 30% costs the prior year. After some discussion Wade Stephens motioned to approve. Bryan Thomas seconded. All approved.

With no further questions or discussion, a motion to adjourn was made by Carol Gardiner. Joe Hickey seconded this motion. All approved. Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m.

An attendance roster is reported separately.