

MINUTES
Cedar Valley Distribution System
→ **Surface Users**
February 19, 2019
5:00 p.m.

Those Present: (See attached roll)

This meeting was called to order by Chairman Brent Jones. He stated that this meeting was for the Cedar Valley surface users, and that the first agenda item was hearing the 2018 Minutes. He asked Secretary LaRee Garfield to read those Minutes. Following the reading of the Minutes, Brent called for a discussion of the Minutes. Nate Moses referred to page two of the Minutes where it is stated that the "City does have a water right (20,000 acre feet) to run the water into the recharge area the year around." He clarified that by saying that the Water Conservancy District filed an application some years ago to run flood water into the recharge area. This does not affect farmers' stock water rights. With that clarification, Lloyd LeFevre moved for acceptance of the 2018 Minutes; Paul Nelson seconded; Minutes approved as corrected.

Brent then introduced Mike Silva and Jared Manning from the State and welcomed them to the meeting.

Brent then stated that the next agenda item was to hear the 2018 Commissioner's Report, and he asked Commissioner Sam Bauer to present this report. Sam reported that "the 2018 water year was below average for the sixth year in a row. The stream peaked on April 8th at 93.1 c.f.s. The flow since April dropped off gradually for the rest of the year. The 2019 water year, with the recent snow storms we've been receiving looks a lot better than last year for the Cedar Valley. Currently, there is a very good snow pack on Cedar Mountain.

Every year we complain about the same issues with our diversion, and nothing ever changes. But, this year a change is coming. Cedar City Corporation has hired Mumford Excavation to extend the settling pond to the east, making the pond 60 feet longer to give the sand and gravel a longer time to drop out of the water. There will be a gate to continually flush out the debris back into the main channel. I would like to thank Paul Bittmen, Cedar City Manager, and Kit Wareham, Cedar City Engineer, for their help in getting this problem taken care of. It should be ready to use on March 15th when we turn the water into the irrigation companies.

Measuring the water in the Southwest Field is going to be fixed this year, also. They will be installing a way to measure the flow going over their screen and another device to measure the water that they send back into Coal Creek. I would like to thank Paul Bittmann for getting this done this year also. He is also the President of the Southwest Irrigation Company at this time. Currently, the Iron County Conservancy Water District and Cedar City Corporation are trying to recharge the aquifer in the valley with our Coal Creek's stock water during the winter months. The Iron County Conservancy Water District has no water rights that I know of, so who's water are they using? How is this water being measured when it is diverted into the ground? And who do we send the bill to?

I have in my possession one four drawer filing cabinet, and one Dell laptop computer.
Respectfully submitted, Samuel D. Bauer."

Brent then called for a discussion of Sam's report. Nate Moses said that the 20,000 acre feet which the Water Conservancy District uses is flood water and not stock water. The District filed an application for recharge water a number of years ago. Mike said a diversion station should probably be set up for that water. Mike then asked Paul Bittmen to collect data on that water, as that is important to the State Engineer. He said that the State will look at this. He also said that if electronic data is available it can be pulled up on the internet. Lloyd LeFevre asked if recharge was happening in the valley, and Mike said that, with the government shut-down, the report that is usually included in the materials at this meeting, is not included, but it is available on line. Brent then called for a motion to approve the Commissioner's Report. Deb Bauer so moved; Lloyd LeFevre seconded; motion approved.. Sam reported that they began work on the diversion today.

Brent then stated that the next agenda item was the report from the State. Mike said that on February 14th, we were at 159% of normal, and the next day, we were at 179%. With the recent storms, we are in better shape than we have been for several years. If the snow melts fast, we may have some problems, but we should get some good recharge this year. He said the State will work with us to see the recharge, and he is anxious to see how the new diversion works. Sam said that the five irrigation companies are set up for the new electronic device with the exception of the transmitter. There are four reporting stations.

Jared then presented the 2018 Financial Report. We began the year with a balance pf \$3,095.38. Receipts totaled \$9,088.51; Expenditures, \$9,071.48, and our balance as of December 31, 2018, was \$3,112.41. Brent then called for a motion to approve the 2018 Financial Report. Sam so moved; Paul seconded; motion carried. We had one delinquent assessment which will be taken care of.

Brent said that the next item of business was to prepare the budget for 2019. Commissioner Sam Bauer's salary will remain at \$7,585; Social Security, \$581; Insurance, \$160; Secretary Expense. \$150; State Engineer Assessment, \$633; and the Annual Report, \$61.00. Total Budget, \$9170. Brent then called for a motion to approve the 2019 budget. Sam moved for approval; Paul seconded; motion carried.

Following discussion concerning the assessment for 2019, Paul moved that the assessment be set at \$9,000; Sam seconded; motion carried.

Brent then stated that the next agenda item was selecting a new distribution chairman and committee members. Those who are currently serving are Brent Jones, chairman, with Ramon Prestwich and Paul Nelson, committee members. Sam moved that we retain the same chair and committee members; Lloyd seconded; motion carried.

Brent asked if there was any further business to be discussed. There being none, Sam moved for adjournment; Lloyd seconded; meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

CEDAR VALLEY SURFACE USERS

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4. <i>Lakee Garfield</i>	<i>Secretary</i>		<i>435-559-0600</i>
5. Sam Bauer	East Extension Irr Cedar Valley Surface water East Extension Irr. Company		435-586-4960
6. <i>Deb Bauer</i>			" "
7. Lloyd Lefevre	Northfield Irrigation Company		435-559-1604
8. <i>Paul Nelson</i>	Union Field Irr Co.		435-586-6498
9. <i>Mud Lusk</i>			559-0600
10. Dan Dotson	Southwest Field Irr. Co.		238-0404
11. Nathan Moses	WRs		586-4231
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