

GRAND COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
GRAND COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT

Regular Meeting-----August 3, 1981

Meeting called to order by Boardmember Sam Taylor at 7:15 a.m. Sam Taylor conducted the meeting in the district office at the Grand Plaza Shopping Ctr. Grand County Water Conservancy District Board Members present: Ev Schumaker, Bill Hines and Curt Young.

ATTENDANCE

Grand County Special Service District Members present: Ev Schumaker and Curt Young.

Also present: Executive Director Dave Bretzke, Assistant Secretary Debbie Brown, Dale Pierson and Gary Wilson.

Minutes of the July 27, 1981 and June 28, 1981 meetings were read by Debbie Brown. Motion by George White to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Curt Young, MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sam Taylor asked Bretzke to check with Raymond Carling and Bill Wright with the U.S. Forest Service concerning the Environmental Impact Statement as soon as possible. The Board agreed that using Warner Lake as a storage pond needs to be studied carefully.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Sam reported the outcome of his meeting with Temple Reynolds, Director with the Dept. of Natural Resources in Salt Lake City, also with persons with Parks and Recreation and Mineral Resources. Sam said he showed them maps, contracts, and correspondence we have had with the State Land Board. They agreed there is a problem when you're dealing with the State Land Board. There has been a number of local agencies who have also had problems with the State Land Board, namely; Grand County School District and the Grand County Commission. Sam Taylor said the Director offered some suggestions as to what we should do: 1. Take a new ruling for a local government entity and request a thousand acres of land for public use. They will work with us if we can't get the land secured any other way. 2. Don't involve San Juan County at this time. 3. We should not write a letter at this time to the State Land Board. We should pay the \$21,000 we owe them when we receive our additional \$300,000 loan. 4. We should allow more time for things to be worked out. They liked the G.C.W.C.D. Comprehensive Recreation Plan and the National Park Service Involvement. They have said they will meet with the Dept. of Interior. Sam said he didn't mind the district paying the \$1 per acre per year, however, he didn't like the idea that the State Land Board could adjust the rental fee every year and also that we have surface rights only. Sam reported that the Dept. of Natural Resources are willing to help us out and do what they can so the rental fee won't be changed.

DEPT. OF NAT. RESOURCES

Bretzke reported that a formal application was made for the \$300,000 loan to the Division of Water Resources. The request will go to the Division of Water Resources Board on August 7 and the Board will direct the staff to conduct an investigation. Someone needs to attend the September meeting if the application is presented for approval.

\$3,000,000 LOAN

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Dave Bretzke reported that the Division of Water Resources will be moving to a new location between August 15th and Sept. 1st, 1636 West North Temple, 3rd Floor, same telephone number 533-5401.

NEW LOCATION FOR DIV. OF WATER RESOURC

Bretzke passed out the Audit Reports for the Grand Co. Water Conserv. District. The Board agreed to review these reports for discussion at the next Board meeting.

AUDIT REPORTS

Sam Taylor reported that the Highway Dept. will have a public hearing on Sept. 9th concerning the Recapture Dam Project. They will start construction Oct. 1. On August 15, or August 16 they will put the bids out for the Keyway.

RECAPTURE DAM

George White suggested to have a motion made to submit a letter to the high-water users on the Mesa. The Board agreed to have Bretzke write a letter to the high-water users and present it to the Board next week for an action item. The Board agreed they should stay as close to the water rights of 20.35 cfs as possible when we start charging them for water, and they should continue to have the same amount of water as they have traditionally received in the past. George White stated that we do need to charge them in order to re-cover our cost. Curt Young suggested charging \$2.00 per acre ft. Sam Taylor said a motion will be made next week concerning the letter that will be sent to the high-water users.

HIGH-WATER USERS

Bretzke reported that K.E. McDougald and Ev Schumaker talked to Dr. Mayberry concerning the Walnut Lane Well. Dr. Mayberry asked if we could protect his water rights by using the river water rights he has turned over to us so he won't lose them. He could possibly lease them to the district for 35 years. Mark Page will be making a recommendation concerning this matter. Ev Schumaker asked if we could go ahead and get the pump for the Walnut Lane Well. Bretzke stated that the legal papers haven't been written up yet and we should wait. Also, we don't have the specifications on the well yet.

WALNUT LANE WELL

Bretzke reported that Thomas Clyde recommended not to pay the \$45,821.67 penalty fee or answer the letter to United Pacific/Reliance Ins. Co. regarding Neeley Const. at this time.

BONDING CO. PENALTY FEE

Bill Hines asked what was going to be done during the dove hunting season around Ken's Lake. We could possibly put up "No Hunting" signs within 500 ft. of Ken's Lake. Sam Taylor suggested to invite Garth Carter to our next meeting so we can discuss the bird hunting situation around Ken's Lake.

HUNTING SEASON KEN'S LAKE

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Bretzke stated the mill levy for the Conservancy District needs to be figured and our request sent in before the second Monday in August. This year we will need as many mills as we can possibly get. The Board asked Bretzke if he could figure the mill levy for next Monday's meeting so a motion can be made.

MILL LEVY

Bretzke asked George White if he could switch over his irrigation line to George White Well #4, instead of using the water out of Ken's Lake. Dale Pierson stated that the flow in the tunnel now is negligible. Dale also stated if we provide Moab City with water we'll come close to draining the tank. Bretzke reported that Schumaker #1 has been running constantly for over a month. We could also switch over Nightingale's and Carmichael's from the reservoir to their own wells and pay the electric bills for pumping.

GEORGE WHITE  
WELL

George White said he would like to make a proposition with the Board concerning the possibility of getting an additional 100 acres connected to the irrigation system and to put a meter on so he would be able to pay a monthly bill.

G. WHITE  
ASKS BOARD  
ABOUT ADD'L  
IRRIGATION  
WATER

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:00 am

ATTEST:

  
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DAVID J. BRETZKE, SECRETARY

  
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V.E. McDOUGALD, CHAIRMAN