

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

O'Brien Prtg. & Stat. 85836

A meeting of the Directors of the Pueblo Conservancy District was held at 4:00 P.M. in the office of the District on March 11, 1975.

Directors Present: J. M. Martin, R. W. Taylor and O. W. Snapp, Jr.

Engineer Present : S. F. Elliot

Attorney Present : Donald Banner of Predovich & Ward

The meeting was called to order and minutes of the February 20, 1975 meeting were read and approved.

The following vouchers were approved:

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| 15920 | Simon F. Elliot        | \$185.00 |
| 15921 | The Office Center      | 10.50    |
| 15922 | O'Brien Printing & Sta | 45.80    |
| 15923 | J. M. Martin           | 75.00    |
| 15924 | R. W. Taylor           | 75.00    |
| 15925 | O. W. Snapp, Jr.       | 75.00    |
| 15926 | S. F. Elliot           | 75.00    |
| 15927 | Walter W. Predovich    | 150.00   |
| 15928 | R. W. Taylor           | 141.22   |
| 15929 | J. M. Martin           | 117.69   |
| 15930 | R. M. Hutchison        | 55.56    |

The checking account now shows a cash balance of \$4,718.44.

Mr. Martin advised the Directors that a certificate of deposit, in the face amount of \$151,056.26 would become due on March 18th, at Pueblo Bank and Trust.

The Directors authorized Mr. Martin to re-invest the face amount with Pueblo Bank & Trust, and to deposit the accrued interest in the District's checking account in order to meet anticipated expenses of the District.

A notice of a special assessment for the construction of a sanitary sewer by the City of Pueblo, adjacent to Lots 43 and 44, Block 38, Irving Place, 2nd Filing, in the amount of \$314.35 was referred to Mr. Banner, to determine if the District was obligated to pay special assessment taxes.

The Directors further determined that if the District is obligated to pay the tax, that no objection would be filed; otherwise, Mr. Banner was directed to so advise the City Clerk prior to the deadline date stated on the notice.

Engineer Elliot presented his report of March 8, 1975, covering his inspection of the District's flood works. He outlined the over-all report, which indicated that the flood protection works were in good condition, and there was need only for the usual maintainance work.

The Directors accepted the report and directed the report be attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Directors authorized Gradishar Construction Co. to make such repairs and do such maintenance work as indicated necessary in Mr. Elliot's report.

Mr. Elliot reported that no action to date had been taken for the redemption and cancellation of tax certificates as noted in the minutes of 2/20/75.

There being no futher business the meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

READ AND APPROVED:

*Otto W. Snapp Jr.*  
*Robert W. Taylor*

*James M. Martin*  
James M. Martin, Secretary

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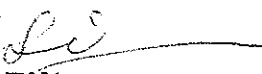
Mr. Anthony Gradishar  
84 Cornell Circle  
Pueblo, Colorado 81005

Dear Tony:

I am enclosing a copy of my spring inspection of the Conservancy's Flood Protection Works, and which was presented to the Directors on March 11th, this date. The Directors have authorized me to advise you to proceed with the items in the report, copy enclosed, which I have red-penciled.

I'll be out of the City for the next two weeks, so go ahead, and if you have any questions, get in touch with me when I return.

Sincerely,

  
Simon F. Elliot,  
Engineer for the District.

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Encl.

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8 March 1975

To: The Directors  
Pueblo Conservancy District  
Pueblo, Colorado.

In Re: Inspection of Flood Protection  
Works, Spring 1975

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your instructions at the regular meeting of the Directors at their regular meeting in February 1975, I wish to report to you on my inspection of the flood protection works, the inspections being made on March 4th and 7th, 1975.

Accompanying me during the entire inspection was Mr. Raymond Koester, President of McIntire & Quiros of Colorado. As per my suggestion to the Directors, and with your agreement, it was thought that another professional engineer should be made acquainted with the flood protection works, and who could also lend his expertise toward matters appertaining to the general safety of the flood structures.

The water in the River was at low stage, as is usual for this time of year, and a visual inspection of the lower portions of the concrete face of the levees was possible. The entire flood protection works appear to be in excellent condition. As an aside, the structures are now some 50 years old.

1. The annual contract with Chem-way for control of the growth both in the channel and on the levee appears to be a well founded policy, as very few "misses" were noted. In this category, the few "misses" noted are:

An elm is growing in the face of the lower portion of the concrete face of levee, some 400 feet downstream from the power company's diversion dam; also, an elm is growing on the top of the levee in the immediate vicinity of the power company's diversion dam, and one adjacent to the railroad round house section east of Main Street. Salt cedar growth has started in the Dry Creek Channel, just upstream from the 11th Street Bridge.

2. Under para. 3 of my report of 11 March 1974 to the Directors, I noted that Mr. Barnhart, Supt. of the Pueblo Water Works, had requested permission to lower the stream bed under Dry Creek bridge, in order to improve access to the Water Works treatment plant. Apparently this has attempted and then abandoned, leaving an excavation that will be <sup>a</sup> breeding place for mosquitos and a collection place for trash.

It is suggested that the Water Works be requested to fill the excavation.

3. As usual, a great amount of trash, consisting of old tires, barrels, cans, etc. have been collecting in the channel, and should be removed.

4. The removal of the material which has formed a sandbar, upstream from the West 4th Street bridge has been continuing, and should be allowed to continue by Gradishar Construction Co. Hopefully, high water in the channel will scour sufficiently to remove the obstruction.

5. As reported in my report to the Directors under date of 11 March 1974, it is still my opinion that the timber stairway on the Main Street bridge, down to the railroad yards below the bridge should be abandoned. This matter was discussed with City Officials last spring, but apparently no action has been taken toward removal of the structure.

6. My usual comment about the need for painting the structural steel members of the Union Avenue bridge is again noted. In addition, it was this time noted that some abnormal stress has been underway which in turn has caused a failure of the concrete abutment on the upstream, levee side of the bridge.

7. My usual comment about the need to lower and anchor the steel sewer line crossing at Union Avenue is also again noted. In addition, a similar situation is developing with the steel sewer crossing just downstream from Santa Fe Avenue bridge.

8. The matter of clearing the channel of the slide material resulting from the landslide at Homestead Place has recently been discussed with both the Street Supt. and the Director of Public Works, who both assure us that the material will be removed from the channel as soon as delivery of pipe can be had to repair the interceptor sewer that was damaged in the slide. Reference is made to my report to the Directors, last spring, para. 9.

9. It has been noted in my previous reports to the Directors concerning the growing problem of motor bikes using the top of the levee, and the resulting erosion of material on the back-slopes of the levee. Evidence was again noted of this problem, but it would appear that the situation is not worsening. As stated before, there does not appear any means of stopping the motor bikes from using the levee as a race-way.

10. In addition to the removal of trash from the channel as stated above, the following items of maintenance should be undertaken this spring:

- a. There are several gopher holes in the top of the levee, from an area opposite the stadium, upstream to Dry Creek bridge. These should be filled; however, this means of maintenance does not seem to be effective.
- b. The railroad yard side of the levee, at the southeast end of the railroad bridge across Dry Creek should be repaired by the addition of several cubic yards of fill material, compacted and shaped to conform with the slope of the adjacent levee downstream.

c. A hole has developed on the top of the slag-ri-rap on the south levee, upstream from the I-25 bridge. This should be filled with grout.

d. A concrete pilaster cap, located about 100 feet downstream from the roundhouse section has been broken off, and should be re-set.

e. The backside of the levee, just downstream from Main Street should be re-shaped. This will require the bringing in of fill material to cover broken slabs of concrete, etc. There is no immediate need for this work, and it is suggested that if, from time to time, Gradishar Construction Co. has need to dispose of suitable fill material, that the material be deposited on this portion of the levee. Since there will be considerable difficulty in bringing the material and equipment to this location, due to the proximity of the railroad yards, and the safety of the levee is not paramount, that this matter be further discussed with Mr. Gradishar, and deferred for the time being.

f. Weeds should be cleared from the drainage ditch south and east of Runyon Field, as well as those that have collected under the concrete balanced check gates thru the backwater levee.

g. The fence at the toe of the levee south of the intersection of Locust and Stanton Streets has been cut, and should be repaired.

Respectively submitted,



Simon F. Elliot,  
Engineer for the District.

SFE:s

c. c. Ray Koester