

Report of second annual meeting of the Intermountain  
Single Tax Association at Cedar City, Utah 9-6-86

10 am Business Building, SUSC 17 in attendance

Harold Hiskey gave an introduction to two films and led  
a discussion.

The Land is Mine  
A Tale of Five cities

12 Noon Sugar Loaf Restaurant

Harold Hiskey opened the meeting and called on Mayor  
Robert Linford to give welcoming remarks. The Mayor  
gave a description of Cedar City - The Festival City.

Dean Hiskey introduced Jim Busey who gave the lecture  
on, and handled discussion on: Poverty and Revolution  
in Central America. 26 were in attendance. This number  
included members of ISTA as well as non-members.

Reporters: Sheena Oyler The Daily Spectrum  
Anne Nicholson The Iron County Review

3 pm Business meeting

Attended by (all members):

Jim Busey	Everett Gross	Conrad Hatch
Earl Hanson	Mildred Gross	Catherine Jackson
Don Pinson	Marian Busey	Wayne Wuertz
Eddie Rock	Elaine Coons	

The secretary read the minutes of the 1985 meeting at  
Manitou Springs and they were approved.

Reports from Nevada and Arizona were called for.

Don Pinson gave a report on his campaign for County Assessor in  
Clark County, Nevada. He reported on his law suit against the present  
Assessor, Jean Dutton and pointed out in particular the extent of the  
underassessment for 223 acres, long held by the Summa Corp. and needed  
by Clark County for the expansion of McCarran Airport. Summa has  
claimed that this property has a value of \$40 million, Clark County  
has estimated its value at \$20 million and for several recent years  
the Assessors' value for the property tax has been \$3 million.

Don also reported on the Incentive Tax Study and Report by the  
Steering Committee for the Clark County Planning Commission.

Elaine Coons reported on Arizona activity. In January, Arizona  
ISTA Chairman, Richard Gimmi, had worked for and was successful in  
getting a land value tax resolution approved by the State Republican  
Party at their Phoenix Convention. Elaine said that Steve Cord has  
met twice with the Phoenix city council. He is working with concil-  
man Howard Adams who is publicly on TV supporting LVT. Elaine had

a report from Steve dated August 11, 1986. He had developed for the Council various types of properties that would have lower property taxes with a two-level tax and the type of properties that would have tax increases.

Eddie Rock suggested that the Secretary should write to Howard Adams and describe our purpose and our willingness to assist as we can with the promotion of LVT. Howard Adams Address:

City Hall            City of Phoenix  
25 TW Washington  
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Eddie Rock noted that Don Pinson had reported that the Summa Corp. had enormous land holdings in the Las Vegas area, and Eddie said that Summa also had had extensive holdings around Tucson.

President Busey described the informal procedure under which ISTA started and the officers served. He wanted to know if the present organization met the approval of the conferees. There was a discussion with expressions of approval. Conrad Hatch moved that an expression of thanks should go to the officers and that the present officers, as long as they are agreeable, be retained until the next conference. The motion was seconded and carried.

Elaine suggested that elections for officers might be at each meeting and Eddie suggested the need for by-laws that would define procedures for annual meetings etc.

Don Pinson moved that a committee of Eddie Rock, chairman, and Jim Busey and Earl Hanson prepare by-laws for the next annual meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Don Pinson moved that Phoenix should be considered as the venue for the '87 Conference, unless it develops (earlier than two months ahead of the Conference date) that another city would offer greater reasons for changing. Las Vegas had also been considered in the discussion. The motion was seconded and passed.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed for adjournment at 4:45 pm.

Good press reports followed the Conference and will be filed with these minutes.