

**OFFICIAL MINUTES AND ACTIONS TAKEN  
ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT'S  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Tuesday, MARCH 11, 2008**

**Directors Present:** Larry Perkins, President; UV Henson, Secretary/Treasurer; Pablo Lopez, Director; John Gilbertson, Director

**Directors/Staff**

**Absent:** Tom Bruhn, Director

**Staff Present:** Franklin McCasland, District Manager; Tara Hatfield, Water Clerk; Donna Lafferty, Office Manager

**Guests Present:** Don Lopez; Jimmy Speed; Pete Tatschl; Thomas Garcia, Quay County Sun; Drake Swenson; David Foote; Ron Chinberg; Kathy Young; Cody Young; Bob Stubbs; Tommy Evans; Thomas Evans; Robert Evans; Scott and Phil Bidegain; Katherine Bugg, Albert Lopez

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER-**

Finding a quorum present and finding this regularly scheduled meeting of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's Board of Directors duly advertised, as required by statute, District President Perkins called this meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the district office. Larry Perkins asked that the discussion of a crossing at Wilms Drain be moved to the first item on the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING  
FEBRUARY 12, 2008-**

Director Gilbertson stated that a correction needed to be made to remove “where we can” under the discussion of conserving water.

Director Henson moved to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's February 12, 2008, regular meeting with corrections. The motion was seconded by Director Lopez. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Bruhn – absent

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

Gilbertson – YES

**VISITORS COMMENTS-**

Pete Tatschl made the comment that Farm Service has a strategic plan that would suit AHCD.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION REQUEST FROM MANUAL LOPEZ TO CROSS  
WILMS DRAIN**

Albert Lopez stated that the crossing would be for a sprinkler and would be 20’ to 25’ wide with 3 to 4 crossings. The BOR would need to be notified and their procedures need to be followed, a drawing needs to be presented to the Board. Visitor David Foote suggested that a “hold harmless clause” be included. President Perkins asked if BOR will accept a 24” culvert, Franklin McCasland stated that it was a 24” culvert that went under the county road down stream of the proposed crossing. A verbal approval was given by the Directors if approved by BOR.

**MANAGER’S UPDATE**

The Skip Vernon update has figures involved as follows: Cost to remove the chemical was \$11,692.02, use of warehouse \$20,000.00, and \$5,000.00/day and \$10,000.00/day and the per day fines would go to EID. A suit has been filed in 10<sup>th</sup> District Court to recover AHCD expenses.

On the Largo Canyon update, the State Engineer suggested that the parties try to attempt to settle before preliminary hearing is scheduled

The FCC license expires in the year 2016.

Review of Resolution #1997-012, public use of Right of Ways a letter will be sent to land owners informing them of AHCD access.

The Canadian River Commission meeting was held in Santa Fe between the states of NM, TX and OK. There were no new reservoir applications and no law suits between the states. The next meeting will be 2/3/09 in Amarillo, TX.

Of the 2006 \$50,000.00 Capital Outlay Grant, \$47,608.04 has been expended and submitted for reimbursement. There is \$2,391.96 left. The grant expires on June 2008.

The 2007 Capital Outlay Grant of \$50,000.00 expires 6/09.

The BOR inspection of the District’s homes on March 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> concluded that they have no historical value. BOR will submit findings to the State Historic Society for their approval.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION 2008 WATER ALLOCATION REVIEW**

Director Lopez made a motion to approve 1” water allocation, seconded by Director Gilbertson. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Bruhn – Absent

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

Gilbertson – YES

**DISCUSSION/ACTION DONATION OF EQUIPMENT TO SAN JON FIRE DEPARTMENT-**

After discussing that the District has 10 bridge trucks (1 is used for parts), Director Lopez made the motion that AHCD donate 1 truck to San Jon Fire Department. It was seconded by Director Henson. Motion carried 4-0

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Bruhn – Absent

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

Gilbertson – YES

**MANAGER’S REPORT-**

District Manager Franklin McCasland made statements on the following items:

Bureau of Reclamation representatives, Kelli Triplett and Susan Corson will be here March 17, 18 and 19 to update RRA Form. Training of AHCD Staff will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> and appointments with farmers will be on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be a public service announcement inviting people to attend.

On Feb.15, 2008 trash was dumped in the Main Canal. A name was discovered by looking through the contents. Trash was disposed of and charges have been filed.

There have been some equipment repairs – turbo in 610 JD backhoe, transmission in maintenance pickup, clutch and starter in gradalls.

Pablo Lopez asked if the 2 four-wheelers could be put in an auction, but because they were purchased with grant money, if sold, the money would have to be sent back to state.

The 2006 Audit Review was held on March 7, 2008. In attendance for the review were Franklin McCasland, Tara Hatfield, Pablo Lopez, Larry Perkins and Chester Mattocks, CPA and AHCD’s auditor. There were no serious findings. The 2006 audit will be sent to the State Auditor.

Some repairs were done on the ditchrider homes. In Unit E a sewer line was replaced and in Unit B a new fence was installed.

The blood alcohol content for employees was changed from .02 to .00 in employee personnel manual.

**PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS-**

President Perkins commented that the new agenda format is great, easy to read and easy to maintain place on agenda. He also stated that the legal bills will be high on the Skip

Vernon matter. He introduced the new office manager, Donna Lafferty and new water clerk, Tara Hatfield.

**DIRECTORS COMMENTS -**

Director Gilbertson stated that when the water is turned on the water needs to be measured at several locations to insure an accurate delivery. He wanted a written plan from the manager on measuring the water. Any wasting of water should be reported to Manager Franklin McCasland.

Director Lopez would like to see more weed control by spraying instead of shredding. Also stated that at this time we have a good inventory of round-up, but the price will be increasing and suggested that we purchase some. It was also stated by Larry Perkins that round-up is a good treatment on tree stumps if applied within 10 minutes of cutting down the tree.

Director Henson had no comments.

**CONSIDERATION OF BILLS-**

Director Henson made a motion to pay the bills submitted, seconded by Director Gilbertson. Motion carried 4-0.

Perkins – “YES”  
Bruhn – Absent

Directors Voted:

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

Gilbertson – YES

**ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING-**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. with unanimous vote.

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

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Larry Perkins, President

**ATTEST:**

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Secretary, UV Henson