

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

Tuesday, August 9, 2011

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

Directors/Staff Tom Bruhn; Vice President

Absent:

Staff Present: Franklin McCasland, District Manager; Donna Lafferty, Office Manager.

Guests Present: Jimmy Speed, Daniel Garcia, Margaret Horner Young, Jearld White, Phillip Box, Jason Box, Robert Evans, Tom Evans and Tom Dominguez.

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, President Perkins called this meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. in the District Office.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by President Larry Perkins and the Invocation was given by President Perkins.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
July 12, 2011**

Director Lopez made the motion to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's July 12, 2011 meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Henson. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”

Bruhn – “ABSENT”

Gilbertson – “Yes”

Lopez – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

MANAGER'S REPORT

Today the Conchas Lake elevation is 4158.3 feet. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas Lake was 4165.3 feet. Conchas Lake received 465 acre feet of inflow for the month of July. Last year, during the month of July, we received 6,128 acre feet of inflow into Conchas Lake.

This month the men dug a hole and buried the debris for David Peacock on Quay Road 71. Last week they also completed a 3 ½ yard cement pour on the Benson Lateral. They have also replaced several staff gages and weir blades throughout the district.

In the month of July, we have had several crop insurance companies inquiring with Arch Hurley regarding lake levels at Conchas and inflows. In the board packet are the letters that were written in response to their questions.

Mark and his men are still working on de-watering some siphons for the BOR to inspect.

Craig and Armando are at Hwy. 104 just below the County Line Check in cleaning out the canal and preparing to apply bentonite. We received \$92K on August 4 from the BOR. This will complete and close out this water smart grant.

The next grant that we will start is the Field Service Grant. It will start at Check 3 and proceed downstream as far as that grant will allow. There have been many complaints of water seepage from the Hudson Canal in this area of the delivery system.

On August 4, Sandra Rush and her staff worked in the District's Office on completing the 2010 audit for the District. Then on August 8, Sandra Rush held an audit exit conference with the office staff, Larry, and Pablo. The draft audit will be mailed to the state auditor in approximately two weeks for the state's approval. There were no findings in the 2010 audit.

VISITORS

There were no comments from the visitors.

. WATER ALLOCATION

Director Lopez made the motion that no water be allocated at this time. The motion was seconded by Director Gilbertson. Motion carried 4-0

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”

Bruhn – “ABSENT”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

OCTOBER PRECINCT ELECTION AND EARLY VOTING

Manager McCasland informed the Board of the letters sent to J.D. McEwen and Robert Evans informing them of their each respective position to the Board. Robert will be the director in Precinct 1 and J.D. will be the director in Precinct 3. A letter from Pablo Lopez withdrawing his petition for Precinct 1. A sample ballot in the Board packet for Precinct 2 was reviewed and Manager McCasland passed out the ballot voters would use in the actual election.

APPROVE PRECINCT JUDGES AND ALTERNATES

Director Henson made the motion to approve the judges and alternates as listed on Election Form No. 7. The motion was seconded by Director Lopez. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”

Bruhn – “ABSENT”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

BOR FIELD SERVICE GRANT # R11 SF40 009

Manager McCasland stated that the BOR Field Service Grant Agreement was modified to increase it by \$100,000.00. The funds became available due to other entities not using the money. This additional money will allow bentonite to be applied to the canals on the Hudson side.

UPDATE ON 2010 AUDIT

Manager McCasland stated that Auditor Sandra Rush and her staff were here on August 4 gathering information. Auditor Sandra Rush held the Exit Conference on August 8. Manager Franklin McCasland, President Larry Perkins, Director Pablo Lopez, Office Manager Donna Lafferty and Payroll Clerk Tina Garcia were in attendance. Ms. Rush stated that a draft copy would be sent to the State Auditor in Santa Fe in two weeks. The

next step would be that the 2010 audit would be approved by State Auditor, then Arch Hurley would approve it, and then after a period of time it would be available for the public.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Director Gilbertson asked why Election Form No. 7 didn't list absentee voting. Manager McCasland stated that absentee could be added before it is sent to the Quay County Sun as a legal notice. It will read EARLY/ABSENTEE VOTING.

Director Henson stated that CDs were cashed in and they were replaced by CDs at Quay Schools Federal Credit Union with a higher interest rate and a smaller CD at Tucumcari Federal Savings and Loan with a higher interest rate, but a 4-year term.

President Perkins stated that he spoke with the maintenance crew in the field and they are doing a good job. They are staying busy and have a positive attitude. They have been welding on gates. Maintenance work is necessary year round. I want to commend Mark and Craig on doing a good job.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Lopez made the motion to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Director Gilbertson. A roll call was taken and each of the directors voted yes. Directors went into executive session at 9:51 a.m.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”

Bruhn – “ABSENT”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Henson made the motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Director Lopez. A roll call was taken and each of the directors voted yes. Directors came out of executive session at 11:10 a.m. President Perkins stated that only threatened or pending litigation were discussed.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”

Bruhn – “ABSENT”

Gilbertson – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

President Perkins directed Manager McCasland to contact Arch Hurley’s legal counsel and get his recommendation. Manager McCasland will inform Board of that recommendation.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

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

Perkins – “YES”	Directors Voted:	Lopez – “YES”
Bruhn – “ABSENT”	Gilbertson – “YES”	Henson – “YES”

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING-

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m. with a unanimous vote.

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

President Larry Perkins

ATTEST:

Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson

