

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

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

- Directors Present:** President Larry Perkins, Vice President Phillip Box, Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson, J.D. McEwen and Director Robert Evans
- Directors/Staff Absent:** Office Manager Donna Lafferty
- Staff Present:** District Manager Franklin McCasland and Maintenance Supervisor Craig Hoffman, Ellen White filing in for Office Manager
- Guests Present:** Jimmy Speed, George Evetts, Fred Stieg, Thomas Evans, Pete Tatschl, Eddy Howell, Drake Swenson, Donald Carter, David Foote, Ronnie Minica, Jearld & Paula White, Daniel Garcia, Tom Dominguez, Senator Pat Woods, Eva Woods, Ron Wilmont, Jack Carpenter, Jason Box and Leonard Lauriault of NMSU. Steve Peterson, Jason Latham and Daniel (Joe) Martinez of USACE and Thomas Garcia of the Sun Newspaper.

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 9:00 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 Larry Perkins.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
MARCH 12, 2013**

Director Box made the motion to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's March 12, 2013 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Henson. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

MANAGER'S REPORT

Today the Conchas Lake elevation is at 4,154.7 feet. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas Lake was 4,159.8 feet. Conchas Lake received 486 acre feet of inflow for the month of March and had a loss of 666 acre feet from evaporation and other losses.

CANADIAN RIVER BASIN as of March 1, 2013

Streamflow forecasts for the Canadian River Basin range from 53 percent of normal for the Mora River near Golondrinas to 63 percent of normal for the Cimarron River below Eagle Nest Dam the and Cimarron River near Cimarron. Conchas Reservoir Inflow is forecast to be 17,500 acre feet, or 58 percent of normal. High elevation precipitation in the Canadian River Basin for February was 107 percent of normal, while the year-to-date precipitation remains somewhat below normal at 78 percent. Snowpack in the basin is also below normal with 76 percent of median. Total reservoir storage in the basin is 30,400 acre-feet or 12 percent of normal, down from last year's 53,300 acre-feet at this time. Conchas Reservoir storage is currently only 900 acre feet, less than 1 percent of the normal storage level.

CANADIAN RIVER BASIN
 Streamflow Forecasts - March 1, 2013

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| <=== Drier === Future Conditions === Wetter ===> |

Forecast Pt	Chance of Exceeding *					
Forecast	90%	70%	50%	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
(1000AF)						

Conchas Reservoir Inflow (3)							
MAR-JUN	2.4	9.1	17.5	58	30	58	30

On March 14, Phillip Box and I met with Ron Wilmot; Mr. Wilmot is the field representative for Congressman Ben Ray Lujan. We discussed the issues regarding the inlet channel at Conchas Lake.

On March 15, I visited with David Williams; Mr. Williams is the field representative for Senator Tom Udall. The same information was passed on to Senator Udall regarding Conchas Lake.

On March 26, Craig Hoffman met with Joe Martinez & Steve Peterson from the USACE and Paul Fishell, Jared Landenegger & Mike McFadden representing NM State Parks.

The meeting was at Conchas Lake North Boat Ramp to discuss the removal of sediment from in front of the boat ramp. Arch Hurley has submitted a proposal for this work.

On March 27, Governor Martinez signed HB-21. This bill requires all public entities to post a draft agenda 72 hours prior to any board meeting and the final agenda 36 hours prior to all public meetings.

On March 28, Phillip Box met with Ms. Janelle Frederick; Ms. Frederick is the field representative for Senator Martin Heinrich. Phillip explained the situation at Conchas Lake. I also followed up with a letter to Ms. Frederick with all of the USACE contact information that she had requested.

On March 31, we completed the first quarter of 2013 with no workers comp. claims or employee accidents. This quarter successfully completes two continuous years with no employee accidents.

On April 3, the 2013 water assessments were mailed to all Class A property owners.

Donna and I have been working on the draft 2014 budget. I will be sending out the copies of the draft to the directors in the next week for your review and to bring to the budget workshop.

In the board's packet is Arch Hurley's quarterly financial report to DFA. There is also some letters from the BOR regarding Arch Hurley's original debt. The balance to date is \$1,789,219.72

The men have done maintenance work in the project replacing turnout gates, weir blades and repairs to cement ditches. We have also repaired the D-7 dozer that kept overheating. One of the heads was cracked and the other head was serviced. The radiator was sent off to be flushed, but could not get enough flow through it so a new one was purchased. The dozer should be back in service in a week or so.

VISITORS

President Perkins stated that if the visitors had comments for Items 6-9 on the agenda they would be allowed to speak.

**STEVE PETERSON, JOE MARTINEZ & JASON LATHAM
UPDATE ON CONCHAS DAM MAINTENANCE WORK, CLEANING OF
INLET CHANNEL & REPAIRS TO RELEASE GATES AND STILLING
BASIN**

Jason Latham reported that the permits have been submitted and are expected to begin work in June. The Conchas Dam work is complete and water loss was high but now it is close to 50%, but there will always be natural seepage but it is minimized. The work inside is completed. The elevation at the dam dropped 1/8 to 1/4 inch due to evaporation which is the natural occurring loss. The BOR is doing a site evaluation in April. An RFP will be issued for the work at the inlet channel, because it cannot be sole-sourced to Arch Hurley. The permit process for the inlet channel will take until the middle June. There were questions from the visitors regarding the length of the permit process.

**RON WILMOT/ FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FOR CONGRESSMAN BEN RAY
LUJAN**

Ron Wilmot representing the office of Ben Ray Lujan will write and call the BOR concerning the permit process.

**JACK CARPENTER/ FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FOR CONGRESSMAN TOM
UDALL**

Jack Carpenter on behalf of Congressman Tom Udall will write and call the BOR concerning the permit process.

**NM STATE SENATOR PAT WOODS
INFORMATION REGARDING 2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION AND CAPITAL
OUTLAY FUNDING FOR ARCH HURLEY**

NM Senator Pat Woods was able to get Arch Hurley \$190,000. of capital outlay from the 2013 session to be used to purchase equipment. Senator Woods also addressed the audience regarding agriculture issues. Senator Woods asked who to direct questions to at the Corp of Engineers. Senator Woods was directed to contact Carl Martin. Senator Woods encouraged everyone to write letters to their federal and state representatives regarding expediting the permit process.

WATER ALLOCATION – CONCHAS LAKE ELEVATION

Director Box made the motion to not allocate any water due to the low lake elevation (4154.7). The motion was seconded by Director Evans. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

APPROVE ISC RE-LOAN INTEREST RATE

Director Evans made the motion for the ISC re-loan interest to stay the same which is 4%. The motion was seconded by Director Box. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

APPROVE AMENDMENT TO AHCD POLICIES AND BY-LAWS

Director Box made the motion to add the proposed change. The motion was seconded by Director Henson. Motion carried 5-0. The addition read as follows: Section X and add D. Any modification of the water delivery system must be approved by the board and will be paid for by the landowner. The board will consider a certified flow meter as a means of water measurement. The cost of the flow meter and the maintenance cost to keep the meter calibrated and in working order is the landowner’s responsibility.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS

President Perkins wanted Manager McCasland to inform the members of the time and place to meet to travel to the BOR Meeting on April 16th. A public notice will be needed if 3 or more board members attend the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Evans made the motion to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Director McEwen. Motion carried 5-0. A roll call was taken and each of the directors voted yes. Directors went into executive session at 11:00 a.m.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Box made the motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Director Evans. Motion carried 5-0. A roll call was taken and each of the directors voted yes. Directors came out of executive session at 11:20 a.m. President Perkins stated that only threatened or pending litigation and limited personnel matters was discussed.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Director Henson made a motion to pay the submitted bills. The motion was seconded by Director Evans. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING-

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m. with a unanimous vote.

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

President Larry Perkins

ATTEST:

Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson

