

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

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

Directors Present: President Larry Perkins, Vice President Phillip Box,
Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson, J.D. McEwen and Director
Robert Evans

**Directors/Staff
Absent:**

Staff Present: District Manager Franklin McCasland and Office Manager Donna
Lafferty

Guests Present: Jimmy Speed, Drake Swenson, Donald Carter, David Foote, Jearld
White, Bob Morgan, John Gilbertson, Sissy Young 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 9:03 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
APRIL 9, 2013**

Director Box made the motion to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley
Conservancy District's April 9, 2013 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by
Director Evans. 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 4,154.0 feet. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas Lake was 4,158.7 feet. Conchas Lake received 531 acre feet of inflow for the month of May and had a loss of 1495 acre feet from evaporation and other losses.

CANADIAN RIVER BASIN as of May 1, 2013

May - June streamflow forecasts for the Canadian River Basin range from 19 percent of average for the Cimarron River below Eagle Nest Dam to 9 percent of average for the Mora River. Inflow into Conchas Reservoir is expected to be 13 percent of median for the May to June period, or 5,200 acre-feet. March to June streamflow forecasts are also expected to be less than 20 percent of normal for all forecast points. April precipitation at sites in the Canadian River Basin averaged 43 percent of normal, while year-to-date high elevation precipitation is 64 percent of normal. Snowpack in the basin is virtually gone, with 4 percent of normal remaining, similar to last year at this time. Total reservoir storage in the basin is 29,300 acre-feet or 11 percent of normal compared to last year's 52,100 acre-feet at this time.

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                                CANADIAN RIVER BASIN
                                Streamflow Forecasts - May 1, 2013
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Forecast Pt | <=== Drier === Future Conditions === Wetter ===> |
Forecast | ===== Chance of Exceeding * ===== |
Yr Avg | 90% 70% | 50% | 30% 10% | 30
Period |(1000AF) (1000AF)|(1000AF) (% AVG.)|(1000AF) (1000AF)|
(1000AF)
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Vermejo R nr Dawson
MAR-JUN 0.6 1.0 1.4 13 2.0 3.0
11.1
MAY-JUN 0.31 0.72 1.14 15 1.70 2.80
7.70

Cimarron R bl Eagle Nest Dam (2)
MAR-JUN 0.9 1.2 1.9 17 3.6 8.0
11.2
MAY-JUN 0.00 0.22 0.95
19 2.60 7.00 4.90

Cimarron R nr Cimarron (2)
MAR-JUN 0.9 1.2 2.5 16 8.8 18.0
15.8
    
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MAY-JUN	-0.80	0.60	1.58	19	7.90	17.10
8.30						

Ponil Ck nr
 Cimarron

MAR-JUN	0.54	0.83	1.10	15	1.45	2.10
7.20						
MAY-JUN	0.28	0.57	0.84	18	1.19	1.84
4.60						

Rayado Ck nr Cimarron

MAR-JUN	0.91	1.09	1.25	18	1.43	1.74
7.00						
MAY-JUN	0.39	0.57	0.73	17	0.91	1.22
4.30						

Mora R nr Golondrinas (2)

MAR-JUN	0.3	0.5	1.1	9	6.2	13.6
12.8						
MAY-JUN	0.15	0.40	0.83	9	6.60	15.10
9.80						

Conchas Reservoir Inflow (3)

MAR-JUN	0.6	2.7	5.8	19	10.7	22
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MAY-JUN	0.3	2.3	5.2	13	10.1	22
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* 90%, 70%, 50%, 30%, and 10% chances of exceeding are the probabilities that the actual volume will exceed the volumes in the table.

The average is computed for the 1981-2010 base period.

- (1) - The values listed under the 10% and 90% Chance of Exceeding are actually 5% and 95% exceedance levels.
- (2) - The value is natural volume - actual volume may be affected by upstream water management.
- (3) - Median value used in place of average.

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CANADIAN RIVER BASIN
 Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of April

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*****	Usable	*****	Usable Storage
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year
Average			

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CONCHAS	254.2	0.0	10.9
198.9			

EAGLE NEST	79.0	29.3	41.2
58.0			

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CANADIAN RIVER BASIN

Watershed Snowpack Analysis - May 1, 2013

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Percent of Watershed Median	Number of Data Sites	This Year as Last Year
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CANADIAN RIVER BASIN	4	167
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On April 16, Craig Hoffman, UV Henson, Larry Perkins and I meet with the BOR and USACE at Conchas Lake to review the scope of work that was to be conducted on the inlet channel. The BOR is planning to start on the removal of the sediment on May 20.

On April 24, we were audited by an independent auditor for Builders Trust on our Workers Compensation Insurance. We were notified that we owed an additional \$5,500 dollars for 2012. We have disputed this finding and have forwarded all of our records to Builders Trust for their review.

On April 25, AHCD was inspected by the NM Department of Agriculture for pesticide compliance. The inspector ask that more documentation be add to our record keeping.

On April 26, Beth from Sandra Rush’s office came and picked up our financial records for 2012. They are in town this week working on the audit and the plan is to have Arch Hurley’s 2012 audit completed by the end of May and turned into the State Auditor before June 1st.

In the information portion of the board packet, is a letter and final payment to the Interstate Stream Commission for AHCD loans. We have a current cash balance in that account of +\$60,000. We will work with UV to invest most of that balance in an interest bearing account.

On May 1, we advertised that AHCD would be accepting bids on surplus equipment. The bids will be on next month’s agenda for board action to accept or reject the submitted bids.

On May 9, the employees attend a forklift certification training at Mesalands College. This was recommended by our workers compensation carrier.

The men continue to work on maintenance projects throughout the project.

District Manager McCasland gave a power point presentation of the recent projects the maintenance crews have completed. The projects included concrete work on laterals, turnout installation, road and house repairs.

President Perkins stated that there is a web site of NMSU which gives wind speed and wind direction. This information is required from the NM Department of Agriculture.

VISITORS

David Foote stated that a lot of thought and research needs to be done before the BOR debt forgiveness should be considered. A lot of questions need to be answered also. Director Box asked Mr. Foote to put his questions in writing, present them and that way they could be addressed.

Donald Carter also had concerns about the future if Arch Hurley became the owner of the project. He suggested that one copy of the board packet be given to an individual.

John Gilbertson expressed his concerns about the BOR and debt forgiveness. Mr. Gilbertson asked about if the water is tied to the land.

Drank Swenson would like more transparency and knowledge to the constituents.

Bob Morgan asked to comment on Item #7 of the agenda.

WATER ALLOCATION – CONCHAS LAKE ELEVATION

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

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Evans – “YES”
Henson – “YES”

COPING FEES FOR PUBLIC RECORDS

Director McEwen made the motion that this decision be made by the District Manager. The motion was seconded by Director Evans. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”		Evans – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”	”	Box – “YES”
		Henson – “YES”

APPROVE RESOLUTION 2013-002

Director Box made the motion to approve Resolution 2013-002 which increases both the revenue and expense of 2013 budget by \$190,000.00, money that was received from NM Capital Outlay. The motion was seconded by Director Henson. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”		Evans – “YES”
McEwen – “YES”	”	Box – “YES”
		Henson – “YES”

CONCHAS LAKE INTAKE CHANNEL MEETING UPDATE

Manager McCasland reported that the Army Corp of Engineers had scheduled to have the work on the inlet channel to begin on May 15; however a silt fence had to be installed. The work was rescheduled and will now begin on May 20. The trash rack will be of same material as original if replaced.

REVIEW 2014 BUDGET WORKSHEET

Manager McCasland reviewed the paperwork on the revenue and expense to each of the Funds for the 2014 budget. The 2014 budget will have an assessment of \$11.00 per acre.

APPROVE RESOLUTION 2013-003

Director Box made the motion to approve Resolution 2013-003 which is the 2014 calendar budget. The motion was seconded by Director Evans. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”		Evans – “YES”
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McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS

Vice-President Box stated that there will be a Prayer Meeting at the Methodist Church on at Sunday, May 19 at 6 P.M. to pray for rain. He also wanted to commend Arch Hurley employees for spotting thieves on a farmer’s property and reporting it.

President Perkins stated that the crews are busy with the maintenance projects. It is good to see these projects completed.

Manager McCasland reported that Arch Hurley is still accident free.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Box made the motion to go into 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 went into executive session at 10:45 a.m.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”

Evans – “YES”

McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Box made the motion to come out of 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 came out of executive session at 11:28 a.m. President Perkins stated that only threatened or pending litigation and limited personnel matters was discussed.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”

Evans – “YES”

McEwen – “YES”

Box – “YES”

Henson – “YES”

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Director Henson made a motion to pay the submitted bills. The motion was seconded by Director McEwen. 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 11:30 a.m. with a unanimous vote.

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

President Larry Perkins

ATTEST:

Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson

