

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

**Tuesday, June 11, 2019**

**Directors Present:** President Robert Lopez, Vice President Larry Perkins,  
Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson, Director Debra Mitchell and  
Director John Griffiths

**Directors/Staff  
Absent:**

**Staff Present:** District Manager Franklin McCasland, Office Manager Donna  
Lafferty and Maintenance Supervisor Craig Hoffman

**Guests Present:** Phillip Box, Dean Bruce of NMDA and Jeff Strom and Steve  
Morgan of Big Mesa

**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 Lopez 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 Robert Lopez and the Invocation was  
given by Phillip Box.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
May 14, 2019**

Director Perkins made the motion to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley  
Conservancy District's May 14, 2019, regular meeting. The motion was seconded by  
Director Mitchell. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

## **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Today the Conchas Lake elevation is at 4,185.6 feet. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas Lake was 4,195.3 feet. Conchas Lake received 17,911 acre feet of inflow for the month of May and evaporation and other losses were 3,599-acre feet. Releases for AHCD in May was 8,754 cfs.

On May 17, Michelle Jaynes attended the ICIP training in Las Vegas that was hosted by DFA.

In the Board's packet, there are copies of emails to crop insurance companies regarding Arch Hurley's water allocation.

The seepage from the canal just below check 3 has increased from last year. We have ordered another semi load of bentonite. This area will be worked on after the end of the water run. We have ordered more copper sulfate to treat the moss and algae in the canals and laterals. We will pick it up in Albuquerque this week.

On May 20, Arch Hurley had 3 vehicles that was damaged in the hail storm. Last week an insurance adjuster came to inspect the vehicles and estimated the damage to be \$12,110.00.

On May 23, Arch Hurley acquired two CD's from Citizens Bank. One CD @ \$100,000.00 and the other CD was \$50,000.00. They are a one-year CD with the interest rate of 2.313%.

Donna Lafferty and Tina Garcia attended a workshop in Tucumcari this month that was put on by the N.M. Attorney General's staff. It was reviewing the Open Meetings Act and Inspection of Public Records Act.

The Ditch Riders have not had any vandalism or unauthorized gate changes in the delivery system last month. Two of our laterals are chained and locked.

Director Perkins asked if the water flow in the seepage area would allow for an effective application of the bentonite. Manager McCasland stated that a minimal amount of the bentonite will be applied to test for effectiveness.

Director Lopez asked if the aquatic weeds were present in the canals. Manager McCasland stated that the moss had returned to the lower portion of the Hudson and the Conchas and some of the laterals.

**REVIEW CONCHAS LAKE ELEVATION  
AND REVIEW WATER ALLOCATION**

Manager McCasland stated that the elevation of Conchas Lake is 4,185.6. Director Perkins made the motion to not allocate any additional water at this time. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

**APPROVE RESOLUTION 2019-005  
PLANS AND REGULATIONS FOR AHCD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISTRICT ELECTION**

Director Henson made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-005. It contains the Plans and Regulations for 2019 Election. The motion was made to include a change on Form 7. The change in the second paragraph will read “the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019” for the date of the election. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

**AHCD 2018 AUDIT**

Manager McCasland stated that the 2018 audit has been submitted to the State auditor. A copy of that audit is available if the directors would like to review it. Our auditor, Dan Austin, is anticipated to attend the meeting on July 9.

**APPROVE RESOLUTION 2019-006  
INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2021-2025**

Director Griffiths made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-006 which pertains to the ICIP for 2021-2025. The motion was seconded by Director Perkins. Motion carried 5-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

**DISCUSS INFORMATION FROM BOR  
REGARDING TITLE TRANSFER**

There was information concerning an improved title transfer process. An “Act provides Reclamation with new authority to transfer title to certain eligible facilities to qualifying entities without separate and individual acts of Congress”. The Board had lots of concerns about this process and what the exclusions are. Manager McCasland will obtain more information and how it will affect AHCD.

**APPROVE DFA/LGD  
GRANT AGREEMENT 19-D3097 ON  
CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDING**

Director Griffiths made the motion to approve the grant agreement 19-D3097. The motion was seconded by Director Henson. Motion carried 5-0. The grant is for \$195,000.00.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

**VISITOR COMMENTS**

Jeff Strom and Steve Morgan of Big Mesa were present to inform the Board that Big Mesa is a finalist for receiving 1.4M grant/loan thru the Revolving Safe Drinking Water Loan Program. Big Mesa’s plan is to improve their filtration system and replace the water meters with electronic ones.

Dean Bruce, Soil and Water Specialist with NMDA, wanted to introduce himself. He works on the eastern side of the State.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Manager McCasland informed everyone that the Arch Hurley mechanic Paul Smith had passed away last Thursday or Friday. Will let everyone know date of service. Also, that Director UV Henson will be participating in the National Senior Olympics in Albuquerque in two events this weekend.

### **CONSIDERATION OF BILLS**

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

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – “YES”

### **ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m. with a unanimous vote.

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

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President Robert Lopez

**ATTEST:**

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Director Debra Mitchell

