

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

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

Directors Present: President Robert Lopez, Director John Griffiths and Director Debra Mitchell

Directors/Staff

Absent: Vice President Larry Perkins and Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson

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

Guests Present: Phillip Box, Dallas Dowell and Dan Austin, CPA

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
June 11, 2019**

Director Mitchell made the motion to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's June 11, 2019, regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Griffiths. Motion carried 3-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “ABSENT”
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

MANAGER'S REPORT

Today the Conchas Lake elevation is at 4,184.25 feet. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas Lake was 4,193.2 feet. Conchas Lake received 12,954 acre feet of inflow for the month of June. The total year to date inflow into Conchas Lake is 40,498 acre feet. The evaporation and other losses were 4,743 acre feet. Releases for AHCD in June was 11,524 acre feet.

AHCD has received the signed grant agreement from DFA for our Capital Outlay funding to purchase the excavator.

Donna has advertised for the upcoming Board of Directors positions. The deadline to submit a petition is Friday, July 26 at the end of our business day.

On June 25, the BOR arrived at AHCD to discuss O&M Recommendations for the district. Two of the men from maintenance are treating the main canal from the county line check to Conchas for woody vegetation.

On June 27, Builders Trust arrived for a safety inspection of our records and the maintenance shop. There were no finding recommendations or violations documented.

We are treating for moss and algae in the Conchas and Hudson Canals and many of the laterals throughout the delivery system. Craig and the maintenance men are also treating cattails in the canals.

The AHCD employees have completed the 2nd quarter accident free. They have received their quarterly safety incentive this month.

DALLAS DOWELL COMMENTS REGARDING WATER ALLOCATION

Dallas Dowell expressed his concerns about allocating additional water. He stated that he wasn't against allocating more water, he is against draining the lake. A small group of farmers are wasting the water and have the mindset that the water is cheap. The water is precious, so don't waste it. A small group of farmers planted fence row to fence row on the initial 10" allocation. An allocation of 10" might become the normal allocation in the future.

**REVIEW CONCHAS LAKE ELEVATION
AND WATER ALLOCATION**

Manager McCasland stated that the elevation of Conchas Lake is 4184.25. Director Mitchell made the motion to allocate an additional 3” of water at this time. The motion was seconded by Director Griffiths. Motion carried 3-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “ABSENT”
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

**REVIEW AND APPROVE 2018 AHCD AUDIT WITH
DAN AUSTIN, CPA**

After Dan Austin reviewed the 2018 Audit with the directors, Director Griffiths made the motion to approve the 2018 audit. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. Motion carried 3-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “ABSENT”
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

UPDATE ON THE BOR SITE VISIT

Ken Rice and Mary Carlson of BOR did a site visit of Arch Hurley on June 25. Some of their concerns are the mesquites and woody vegetation along the road and ditch banks. Those areas are being treated with chemicals. The BOR is wanting to inspect more and to include siphons in the inspections. Another of their concerns is Madrid Bridge. It isn’t a bridge anymore because it now has culverts in place.

**REVIEW AND APPROVE EXCAVATOR OPTIONS TO PURCHASE WITH
CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDING**

Director Mitchell made the motion to table the review and purchase of an excavator until the next meeting. Manager McCasland wanted to get one more quote. The motion was seconded by Director Griffiths. Motion carried 3-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “ABSENT”
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

VISITOR COMMENTS

Phillip Box stated that it behooves us to look forward to the future. He stated not to drain the lake this year and have water available next year. Some crops qualify for insurance and some don't such as grassland and alfalfa.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

No director comments

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Director Mitchell made a motion to pay the submitted bills. The motion was seconded by Director Griffiths. Motion carried 3-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “ABSENT”
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”
Henson – “ABSENT”

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m. with a unanimous vote.

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

President Robert Lopez

ATTEST:

Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson

