

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

**Tuesday, April 12, 2022**

**Directors Present:** President Robert Lopez, Vice President Larry Perkins, Director Debra Mitchell, and Director John Griffiths

**Directors/Staff**

**Absent:** Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson

**Staff Present:** District Manager Franklin McCasland and Office Manager Theresa Lafferty

**Guests Present:** Ron Warnick and Jason Lamb

**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 9:10 a.m. in the District Office.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Manager McCasland and the Invocation was given by Vice President Larry Perkins.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
MARCH 8, 2022**

Director Mitchell made the motion to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's March 8, 2022, regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Perkins. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – ABSENT

## **MANAGER’S REPORT**

Today the Conchas Lake elevation is 4,160.5 feet. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas Lake was 4,159.25 feet. Conchas Lake received 531 acre-feet of inflow for March. The evaporation and other losses were 1,699 acre-feet.

All of the AHCD cell phones have been upgraded to the new 5G towers.

AHCD is down to six employees between the water department and maintenance department. Two are out with medical issues. I am going to start advertising for seasonal help to get us through the summer.

Dan Austin was here working on the AHCD 2021 audit. He plans to have the audit finished this month or the first part of May.

## **REVIEW CONCHAS LAKE ELEVATION AND YEAR TO DATE SNOWPACK IN THE CANADIAN BASIN**

Manager McCasland stated that the elevation of Conchas Lake is at 4,160.5 feet and reviewed Snow Pack on the Canadian Basin reports with the board.

## **SET WATER ALLOCATION FOR THE 2022 WATER SEASON**

Director Mitchell made the motion not to allocate any water at this time. The motion was seconded by Director Griffiths. Motion carried 4-0.

The board will continue to review monthly snowpack reports regarding the Canadian Basin and review any stream inflow into Conchas Lake.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – ABSENT

### **APPROVAL OF 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER DFA FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Director Perkins made the motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter DFA Financials Reports and submit the reports to DFA. The motion was seconded by Director Griffiths. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – ABSENT

### **APPROVE RESOLUTION #2022-004 AHCD BUDGET FOR NM PROPERTY TAX DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH MILLS**

Director Mitchell made the motion to approve Resolution #2022-004 AHCD Budget for N.M. Property Tax Department to establish mills. The motion was seconded by Director Perkins. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – ABSENT

### **UPDATE ON 2022 CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST & BOND SALE IN JUNE**

Manager McCasland informed the board that AHCD has submitted the bond questionnaire for Calendar Year 2022 for \$35,000. Bonds will be sold in June.

### **U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE ADDED THE PEPPERED CHUB TO THE ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST ON THE CANDIAN RIVER**

Manager McCasland informed the board the Peppered Chub has now been added to the endangered species list.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service also designated 872 miles of the chub’s current habitat as critical, meaning additional restrictions would be imposed to protect the fish’s environment.

That includes 197 miles of the upper South Canadian River and Revuelto Creek in Quay County that crosses into Texas, along with 400 miles in Texas and Oklahoma and another 275 miles in Oklahoma’s Cimarron River.

### **VISITOR COMMENTS**

Quay County Extension Agricultural Agent, Jason Lamb, announced there will be a Range & Weed Management Workshop on Thursday, April 14, 2022, located at the Quay County Fairgrounds. This workshop will give participants two CEUs for their applicator license.

### **DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

None.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Director Perkins made the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Director Griffiths. Motion carried 4-0. A roll call was taken and each of the directors voted yes. Directors went into executive session at 9:37 a.m.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – ABSENT

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Director Griffiths made the motion to come out of the executive session. The motion was seconded by Director Perkins. Motion carried 4-0. A roll call was taken and each of the directors voted yes. Directors came out of the executive session at 10:08 a.m. There was no action taken during the executive session.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – ABSENT

### **CONSIDERATION OF BILLS**

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

Directors Voted:

Perkins – “YES”  
Mitchell – “YES”

Griffiths – “YES”

Lopez – “YES”  
Henson – ABSENT

### **ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING**

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

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

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President Robert Lopez

**ATTEST:**

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Secretary/Treasurer UV Henson