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

Tuesday, May 15, 2025

Directors:

President Robert Lopez, Vice President Larry Perkins,

Secretary/Treasurer Debra Mitchell, Director John Griffiths

Directors Absent:

Director Jason Box

Staff Present:

District Manager Franklin McCasland, Office Manager Hallie

Ferguson

Guests Present:

Ron Warnick, Johnathan Hicks, Chuck Oswick.

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 9:05 a.m. in the District Office.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lopez and the Invocation was given by Vice President Perkins.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING APRIL 8, 2025

Director Mitchell motioned to approve the draft minutes of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District's April 8, 2025, regular meeting. Director Griffiths seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins - "YES"

Griffiths - "YES"

Lopez-"YES"

Mitchell - "YES"

Box -"ABSENT"

MANAGER'S REPORT

Today the Conchas Lake elevation is at 4,186.75 feet. Last year at this time the elevation of Conchas Lake was 4,172.7 feet. Conchas Lake received 4,433 acre feet of inflow for the month of April. The evaporation and other losses were 3,419 acre feet. Diversions for Arch Hurley in April was 7,868 acre feet.

On May 5th, the irrigation water orders went down due to decent rains across the project. Therefore, the irrigation gates were ordered closed at Conchas Lake. We will deliver water that is in the system for as long as it's available to the farmers. AHCD will open the release gates when we receive 40 feet of water orders.

The elevation of Conchas Lake on March 27th when the irrigation season started was 4,184.30 feet. The elevation of Conchas Lake on May 5th when we closed the irrigation gates was 4,182.93 So far, in the Month of May, Conchas Lake elevation has rose 4 feet with 25,672 acre feet of inflow.

The state auditor has approved AHCD 2024 audit. It now available to review on the OSA website.

The AHCD annuity that was held at Farm Bureau Financial Services had matured. Those funds were transferred to the Bank of Tucumcari in a ladder CD.

I purchased six pickups from the Federal Surplus website. They were all NRCS vehicles that were located in our area. The pickups are all 2014 Dodge Ram half ton. The majority of the pickups were well under 100K miles.

REVIEW CONCHAS LAKE ELEVATION

Manager McCasland stated the elevation of Conchas Lake is at 4186.75feet.

AND WATER ALLOCATION FOR THE 202454 IRRIGATION SEASON

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

Directors Voted:

Perkins – "YES" Mitchell – "YES"

Griffiths - "YES"

Lopez – "YES" Box – "ABSENT"

JONATHAN HICK FROM CONCHAS LAKE USACE, UPDATE AHCD ON IRRIGATION WATER RELEASE ORDERS

Jonathan Hicks addressed the board members and let them know the USACE did an early buyout and that left only 2 people in maintenance right now. There is currently a hiring freeze. Due to the shortage in staff there is no one currently working weekends for water changes and they can only be made Monday-Friday.

APPROVAL OF JOHN DEERE 610C BACKHOE AS OBSOLETE AND EXCESS EQUIPMENT TO BE LIQUIDATED IN A PUBLIC AUCTION

Director Griffiths made the motion to make the John Deere 610C Backhoe obsolete and excess equipment and auction it. Director Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – "YES"

Mitchell – "YES"

Griffiths – "YES"

Lopez – "YES" Box – "ABSENT"

APPROVE AHCD 2026 BUDGET RESOLUTION 2025-005

Director Perkins motioned to approve the resolution #2025-005. Director Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins - "YES"

Mitchell - "YES"

Griffiths – "YES"

Lopez - "YES"

Box -"ABSENT"

APPROVE AHCD RESOLUTION #2025-004 2027-2031 INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Director Mitchell motioned to approve the Resolution #2054-004. Director Griffiths seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins - "YES"

Mitchell - "YES"

Griffiths – "YES"

Lopez-"YES"

Box -"ABSENT"

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VISITOR COMMENTS

None.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Mitchell made the motion to go into an executive session to discuss limited personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Director Perkins. Motion carried 4-0. A roll call was taken and each director voted yes.

Directors went into executive session at the time of 9:51 a.m.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – "YES" Mitchell – "YES"

Griffiths – "YES"

Lopez-"YES"

Box - "ABSENT"

Director Griffiths made the motion to come out of the executive session. The motion was seconded by Director Mitchell. Motion carried 4-0. A roll call was taken and each director voted yes.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – "YES" Mitchell – "YES"

Griffiths - "YES"

Lopez - "YES"

Box - "ABSENT

Directors came out of the executive session at the time of 10:11 a.m. There was no action taken from the executive session nothing but limited personnel matters were discussed.

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CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Director Mitchell motioned to pay the submitted bills. Director Perkins seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Directors Voted:

Perkins – "YES" Mitchell – "YES" Lopez-"YES"

Griffiths - "YES"

Box -"ABSENT"

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

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

ARCH HURLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

President Robert Lopez

ATTEST:

Secretary/Treasurer Debra Mitchell