

August 20, 2008 WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

A Work Session meeting of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District was held on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at 9:00 AM., at the District office located at 801 Swink Avenue, Rocky Ford, Colorado 81067.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

John Singletary-Chairman
Pete Moore-Vice Chairman
Melissa Esquibel-Secretary
Wayne Whittaker-Treasurer
Loretta Kennedy
Lynden Gill
Leroy Mauch

DISTRICT STAFF:

Jay Winner-Executive Director
Bart Mendenhall-Attorney
Peter Nichols-Attorney
Kim Chavez-Financial Officer

Vice Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. and announced a quorum was present with all Directors' present.

General Manager Winner reported we went through an internal audit at mid season. To make sure we're doing everything that we need to be doing. Here is the copy of the letter from the auditor. I want to make sure it's on the record that every Director will receive a copy of it. This letter basically states that the only weakness that the auditor found is on our supporting documentation. What he means in supporting documentation is credit card receipts. If you have a credit card you have to turn in receipts. It has not been a problem with staff.

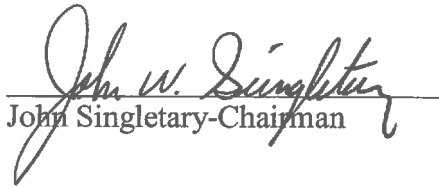
General Manager Winner reported on Conservation Easement, everyone is aware Conservation Easements are quite an issue at the state level. Conservation Easements haven't hit rock bottom. Once the commission is seated, they could fix a lot of the problems from 2003-2007. That's what the task is doing.

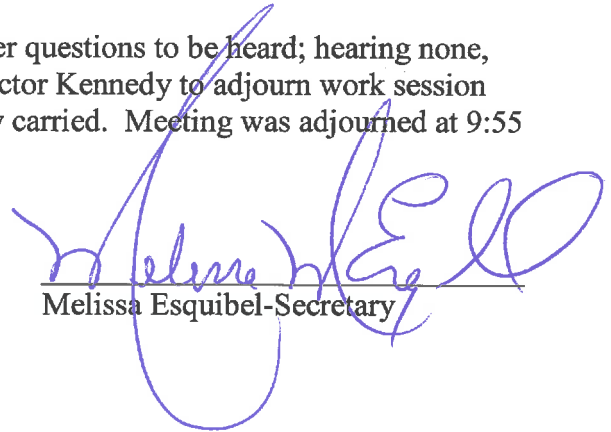
Attorney Nichols reported on the Super Ditch. Last meeting we talked about MOU agreement between LAVWCD and Super Ditch Company in regarding the services the District will provide. We made special provisions. We had attorneys on both sides look at this provision regarding budget and funds.

Board Directors had a discussion on changes. They all agreed that this document just authorizes the LAVWCD to help support them financially until they can stand on their own and they want to see the Super Ditch Company succeed.

Attorney Nichols reported that there is a disclosure and waiver. The Board (LAVWCD) and Super Ditch Company understand that there is a potential conflict of interest. Nichols is counsel for both. If we see a potential conflict coming we will let both boards know. Interest is to protect the shareholders, farmers in agricultural in the Lower Valley.

Chairman Singletary asked if there were any other questions to be heard; hearing none, motion was made by Esquibel, seconded by Director Kennedy to adjourn work session into regular board meeting. Motion unanimously carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 A.M.


John Singletary-Chairman


Melissa Esquibel-Secretary