

August 19, 2009 WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

A Work Session meeting of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2009 at 9:02 A.M., at the District office located at 801 Swink Avenue, Rocky Ford, Colorado 81067.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Pete Moore-Chairman
Lynden Gill-Vice Chairman
Melissa Esquibel-Secretary
Wayne Whittaker-Treasurer
Leroy Mauch
Anthony Nunez
Reeves Brown

DISTRICT STAFF:

Jay Winner-General Manager
Bill Hancock-Cons. Program Mgr
Brenda Fillmore-Finance/Water
Bart Mendenhall-Attorney

Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. and announced a quorum was present with all Directors' present.

Visitors: Otero County Commissioner Keith Goodwin.

General Manager Winner stated he received an e-mail that was sent by Jane Rawlings, daughter of the Publisher of the Pueblo Chieftain Newspaper requesting that a representative from Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District response to the letter that Publisher Bob Rawlings wrote to Chairman Moore.

Directors agreed to have Chairman Moore write a responds letter to invite Mr. Rawlings to a regular board meeting or work session.

General Manager Winner congratulated Director Leroy Mauch who was officially appointed to the Fountain Creek Greenway Foundation. Hopefully, this will be the last draft Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) that Lower Ark is trying to enter with Colorado Springs Utilities, Fountain Creek Greenway District.

Director Mauch stated that the Fountain Creek District Board is finally coming together. They need to fill one more position and hopefully it will be someone from the Lower Arkansas Valley.

General Manager Winner stated that Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District should look into putting conservation easements on farms that LAVWCD owns.

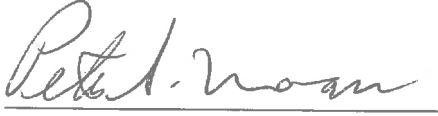
LAVWCD will have the attorneys and Department of Regulatory Agency (DORA) look at the appraisals.

General Manager Winner stated the LAVWCD received the final contract from CSU-Fort Collins on the Research Center in Rocky Ford.

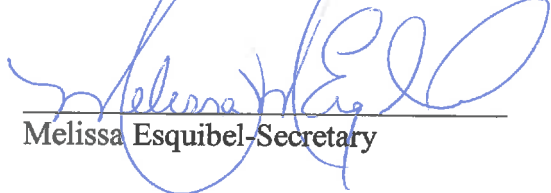
Attorney Mendenhall gave an update on the 1041 regulation for the Larkspur Ditch, which Otero County Commissioners are looking into.

Keith Goodwin, Otero County Commissioner stated that the Otero County Commissioners will have a meeting on August 24, 2009 to discuss 1041. Commissioner Goodwin stated he believes they can get around 1041 with an IGA.

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



Pete Moore-Chairman



Melissa Esquibel-Secretary