

August 19, 2015
Minutes-Board Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 commencing at 10:42 A.M., at 801 Swink Avenue, Rocky Ford, CO 81067.

Chairman Gill announced a quorum is present with Directors Nunez and Esquibel being excused.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Lynden Gill-Chairman
Leroy Mauch-Vice Chairman
Wayne Whittaker-Treasurer
Reeves Brown
Jim Valliant

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Melissa Esquibel-Secretary
Anthony Nunez

DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:

Jay Winner-General Manager
Bill Hancock-Conservation Program Manager
Jack Goble, P.E.-District Engineer
Carla Aragon-Quezada-Office Manager
Brenda Fillmore-Finance/Water
Bart Mendenhall-Attorney

MOTION TO ENTER INTO WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE:

Director Valliant moved that the Board recess the regular Board Meeting and open the Water Activity Enterprise meeting, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

At the conclusion of the Water Activity Enterprise meeting Director Mauch moved to adjourn the Water Activity Enterprise meeting and reconvene the District Meeting at 10:45A.M., seconded by Director Valliant. Motion unanimously carried.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS: Chairman Gill welcomed each of the visitors to the meeting, asked them to introduce themselves and identify the organization which they represent.

VISITORS PRESENT:

Dwight Gardner, Senator Bennet's office; Roy Vaughan, BOR; Rick Kienitz, Aurora Waters; Jack Goble, LAVWCD; Lane Simmons, CSU-Research Center; Bill Hancock, LAVWCD; George Hansen, Catlin; Senator Crowder, State Senate; Bill Banks, USGS; Gary Barber; Bette McFarren, La Junta Tribune; Henry Schnabel, Prower's County Commissioner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- ❖ *June 17, 2015 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes-* Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the minutes for the June 17, 2015 Board meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Whittaker moved to approve the minutes for June 17, 2015, seconded by Director Mauch. Motion unanimously carried.
- ❖ *June 17, 2015 Work Session Meeting Minutes-* Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the work session minutes for the June 17, 2015 Work Session meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Whittaker moved to approve the work session minutes for June 17, 2015, seconded by Director Mauch. Motion unanimously carried.
- ❖ *July 7, 2015 Work Session Meeting Minutes-* Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the work session minutes for the July 7, 2015 Work Session meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Valliant moved to approve the work session minutes for July 7, 2015, seconded by Director Mauch. Motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Chairman Gill reported that the financial report for the month of June was included in the Board's Monthly Meeting Packet. Director Whittaker reported June total revenues \$375,400.54 and total expenditures \$88,280.70 with total net \$287,119.84 Director Whittaker moved to accept the June Financial Statement, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

Chairman Gill reported that the financial report for the month of July was included in the Board's Monthly Meeting Packet. Director Whittaker reported July total revenues \$42,843.66 and the total for expenditures \$107,107.67 with the total net <\$64,264.01>. Director Whittaker moved to accept the July Financial Statement, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

GM REPORT:

General Manger Winner stated that the board needed to elect a budget officer. Attorney Mendenhall stated per C.R.S. 29-1-104. Director Whittaker nominated Brenda Fillmore, Financial/Water as the Budget Officer for 2016, seconded by Director Mauch. Motion carried unanimously.

General Manager Winner introduced Bill Hancock, LAVWCD Conservation Program Manager. Mr. Hancock gave a PowerPoint presentation on a Conservation Easement for Devin L and Kara L Cossel, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit B.**

Resolution 2015-02

Devin L Cossel and Kara L Cossel, have respectively proposed a conservation easement to be conveyed to the District in 2015, consisting of 71.19 irrigated acres with 73.6 shares of capital stock of the Bessemer Irrigating Ditch Company in Pueblo County, Colorado. Motion was made by Director Brown, seconded by Director Whittaker, with the correction from 93.6 to 73.6 shares to adopt Resolution 2015-002, motion unanimously carried.

General Manager Winner introduced Roy Vaughan; BOR. Mr. Vaughn gave an update on the Reclamation Managing Water in the West as of August 16, 2015, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit C.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel: None.

Acquisition: None.

Legal: None

BOARD ACTION:

Motion made by Director Valliant to accept the draft budget for 2015, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit A.**

Motion made by Director Whittaker to accept the Scope of Work, General Engineering Service for Martin and Wood Water Consultants, Inc., seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

LEGAL REPORT:

Attorney Bart Mendenhall: Attorney Mendenhall's stated that a copy of his legal report is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit D.**

