

December 9, 2015
Minutes-Board Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 commencing at 10:41 A.M, at 801 Swink Avenue, Rocky Ford, CO 81067.

Chairman Gill announced a quorum is present with Directors Esquibel and Nunez 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
Carla Aragon-Quezada-Office Manager
Brenda Fillmore-Finance/Water
Bart Mendenhall-Attorney

DISTRICT STAFF ABSENT:

Jack Goble, P.E.-District Engineer

MOTION TO ENTER INTO WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE:

Director Mauch 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 Whittaker. 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:

Cathy Garcia, Senator Gardner's office; Roy Vaughan, BOR; Lane Simmons, CSU-Research Center; Rick Kienitz, Aurora Waters; Bill Hancock, LAVWCD; Travis Easton, CSU; Mark Pifher, CSU; William Behm, Rocky Ford; Dan Butterfield, Larkspur; Rose Ward, La Junta; Bud Zwick, La Junta; Bette McFarren, La Junta Tribune; Keith Goodwin, Otero County Commissioner; Jeanette Myers, North La Junta Conservancy District; GW Werdel, Penrose; Gary Barber, ABRT;

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- ❖ *October 21, 2015 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes-* Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the minutes for the October 21, 2015 Board meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Brown moved to approve the minutes for October 21, 2015, seconded by Director Valliant. Motion unanimously carried.
- ❖ *October 21, 2015 Work Session Meeting Minutes-* Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the work session minutes for the October 21, 2015 Work Session meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Brown moved to approve the work session minutes for October 21, 2015, seconded by Director Mauch. Motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Chairman Gill reported that the financial report for the month of October was included in the Board's Monthly Meeting Packet. Director Whittaker reported October total revenues \$45,195.92 and total expenditures \$97,990.40 with total net <\$52,794.48> Director Whittaker moved to accept the October Financial Statement, seconded by Director Valliant. Motion unanimously carried.

Chairman Gill reported that the financial report for the month of November was included in the Board's Monthly Meeting Packet. Director Whittaker reported November total revenues \$20,870.82 and the total for expenditures \$70,993.21 with the total net <\$50,122.39>. Director Whittaker moved to accept the November Financial Statement, seconded by Director Valliant. Motion unanimously carried.

2015 FINAL PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING RESOLUTION: Resolution and Order 2015-05

Director Whittaker moved to adopt the Public Budget Hearing Resolution and Order 15-05 passed and adopted in a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District to accept the 2016 Final Public Budget Hearing Resolution, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

GM REPORT:

General Manager Winner introduced Jeanette Meyers, North La Junta Conservancy District. Ms. Meyers gave a PowerPoint presentation on the La Junta Flood Mitigation Project, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit A.**

Director Whittaker made a motion to donate \$40,000.00 to help out the La Junta Flood Mitigation Project for the North La Junta Conservancy District, seconded by Director Mauch. 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 December 2, 2015, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit B.**

General Manager Winner introduced Mark Pifher, CSU. Mr. Pifher gave an update on the Stormwater for Colorado Springs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel: None.

Acquisition: None.

Legal: None

DIRECTORS DISCUSSION: Director Mauch discussed giving a donation to the Colorado State Fair, 1872 Foundation. After discussing the matter the Directors decided to table the issue until the next board meeting, January 20, 2016.

BOARD ACTION:

Resolution 2015-04

Resolution 2015-004 Whereas, Leonard Joseph Proctor and Amy Teresa Proctor, have respectively proposed a conservation easement to be conveyed to the District in 2016, consisting of 61.2 irrigated acres with 7.6 shares of capital stock of the High Line Canal Company in Otero County. Director Mauch made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-004, seconded by Director Valliant. Motion unanimously carried.

LEGAL REPORT:

Attorney Bart Mendenhall: Attorney Mendenhall's stated that he not have a legal report.

Berg Hill Greenleaf & Ruscitti LLP Peter Nichols: A copy of Attorney Nichols' legal report is attached to the minutes as Exhibit C.

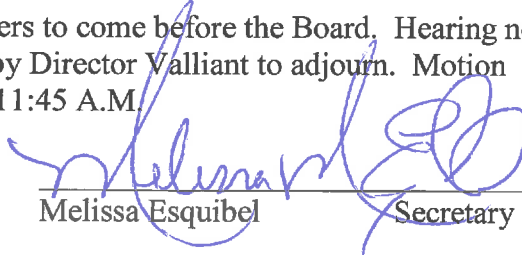
PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNED:

Chairman Gill asked if there were any other matters to come before the Board. Hearing none, motion was made by Director Mauch, seconded by Director Valliant to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M.



Lynden Gill Chairman



Melissa Esquibel Secretary