

June 18, 2014
Minutes-Board Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 commencing at 10:35 A.M, at 801 Swink Avenue, Rocky Ford, CO 81067.

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

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Lynden Gill-Chairman
Leroy Mauch-Vice Chairman
Wayne Whittaker-Treasurer
Anthony Nunez
Reeves Brown

DIRECTOR ABSENT:

Melissa Esquibel-Secretary
Jim Valliant

DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:

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

DISTRICT STAFF ABSENT:

Bill Hancock-Conservation Program Manager

MOTION TO ENTER INTO WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE:

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

At the conclusion of the Water Activity Enterprise meeting Director Brown moved to adjourn the Water Activity Enterprise meeting and reconvene the District Meeting at 10:38 A.M., seconded by Director Mauch. 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:

Roy Vaughan, BOR; Doris Morgan, Congressman Gardner's office; Rick Kienitz, Aurora Water; Jack Goble, LAVWCD; Keith Goodwin, Otero County Commissioner; Jim Baldwin, Otero County Commissioner; Jolly Rose, Rocky Ford; Fred Heckman, McClave Farmer; Mark Pifher, CSU; Tammy Ivahmenko, USGS; Gloria Gutierrez, Senator Udall's Office; Henry Schnabel, Prowers County Commissioner; Burt Heckman, FLCC; Don McBee, Lamar Farmer; Ann Lopkoff, CWPDA; Bette McFarren, La Junta Tribune; Chris Woodka, Pueblo Chieftain; Alta McBee, Lamar; Dwight Gardner, Senator Bennet's office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- ❖ *April 16, 2014 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes*- Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the minutes for the April 16, 2014 Board meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Brown moved to approve the minutes for April 16, 2014, seconded by Director Nunez. Motion unanimously carried.
- ❖ *April 16, 2014 Work Session Meeting Minutes*- Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the work minutes for the April 16, 2014 Work Session meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Brown moved to approve the minutes for April 16, 2014, seconded by Director Nunez. Motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Chairman Gill reported that the financial report for the month of April and May was included in the Board's Monthly Meeting Packet. Director Whittaker reported April total revenues \$464,878.57 and total expenditures \$101,135.37 with total net \$363,743.20. Director Whittaker reported May total revenues \$211,174.45 and total expenditures \$79,571.98 with total net \$131,602.47. Director Whittaker moved to accept the May and April Financial Statements, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

GM REPORT:

General Manager Winner introduced Jack Goble, P.E., District's Engineer for LAVWCD. Mr. Goble gave a power point presentation on the Implementation of Irrigation Improvement Rules, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit A.**

General Manager Winner introduced Mark Pifher with Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU). Mr. Pifher gave a power point presentation on Southern Delivery System Update, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit B.**

General Manager Winner introduced Roy Vaughan, Bureau of Reclamation (BOR). Mr. Vaughan gave an update on the Reclamation Managing Water in the West, which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit C.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel: None.

Acquisition: None.

Legal: None

BOARD ACTION:

Director Brown moved to send letters to Fountain Creek Watershed District, Colorado Water Conservancy Board (CWCB) and Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) and other entities involved, stating that Fountain Creek Watershed District has been misusing funds. The money was contributed to the district under an IGA that includes the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District (LAVWCD) and Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU). Seconded by Director Brown, motion unanimously carried.

Director Nunez at the time was Pueblo County Commissioner and stated that Pueblo fought hard for that money and it is to be used in Pueblo County. He stated, "It always seems Pueblo comes out on the short end with El Paso County. It's blatantly illegal what they're doing".

General Manager stated that the money came from the LAVWCD and CSU with the understanding that there would be a balance of projects in El Paso and Pueblo counties. Since, CSU share is being deducted from its payment under Pueblo County's 1041 permit for Southern Delivery System, all of the projects should benefit Pueblo County.

Resolution 2014-04

Director Loretta Kennedy who passed away on May 10, 2014, And Whereas, Loretta Kennedy was a member of the first Board of Directors of Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District, and Whereas Director Kennedy faithfully represented Pueblo County while serving as a director until she stepped down in 2007 and Whereas, Director Kennedy was valued member of

