

**November 20, 2013  
Minutes-Board Meeting**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, November 20, 2013 commencing at 10:40 A.M., at 801 Swink Avenue, Rocky Ford, CO 81067.

Chairman Gill announced a quorum is present with all Directors present.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

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

**DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:**

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

**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 Brown. 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 10:37 A.M., seconded by Director Esquibel. 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 Vaughn, BOR; Rick Kienitz, Aurora; Lane Simmons, AVRC; Doris Morgan, Congress Garndner's Office; Mark Pifher, CSU; Sam Fosdick, Fowler; Bill Hancock, LAVWCD; Ginger Davidson, Palmer Land Trust; Rachel Duran, KDA.KS. Gov; Dan Henrichs, Highline Canal; Brian Lauritsen, Ag Valley; Kelly Roesch, Pure Cycle; Burt Heckman, Ft Lyon Canal; Fred Heckman, Ft Lyon Canal; Mike Bartolo, AVRC; Ann Lopkoff, CWPDA; Gloria Gutierrez, Senator Udall's Office; Henry Schnabel, Prowers Commissioner; David Mau, USGS; Dale Mauch, Ft Lyon Canal; Chris Woodka, Pueblo Chieftain; John Schweizer, Super Ditch; Bette McFarren, La Junta Tribune; Bill Tyner, Assistant to Division II Engineer ; Keith Goodwin and Jim Baldwin, Commissioners from Otero County; Ryan Hemphill, Ft Lyon Canal; Don McBee, Ft Lyon Canal.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- ❖ *October 16, 2013 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes-* Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the minutes for the October 16, 2013 Board meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Mauch moved to approve the minutes for October 16, 2013, seconded by Director Nunez. Motion unanimously carried.
- ❖ *October 16, 2013 Work Session Meeting Minutes-* Chairman Gill asked if the Board members had reviewed the minutes for the October 16, 2013 Work Session meeting and whether there were any corrections or additions. Director Whittaker moved to approve the minutes for October 16, 2013, seconded by Director Esquibel. 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 \$46,936.23 and total expenditures \$56,602.96 with total net <\$9,606.73>. Director Whittaker moved to accept the October Financial Statements, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

**GM REPORT:**

General Manager Winner introduced David Mau with United States Geology Survey (USGS).

Mr. Mau presented a power point presentation on Lower Arkansas Valley Water Quality & Groundwater Network, which is attached to the minutes as Exhibit A.

General Manager Winner introduced Brian Lauritsen, Valley Ag. Mr. Lauritsen gave an update on the Pond Study for the Lower Arkansas Valley.

Bill Hancock, Conservation Program Manager for LAVWCD presented a power point on a Conservation Easement on Stealey's Wild Rose Ranch Inc., which is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit B.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Personnel: None

Acquisition: None

Legal: None

**BOARD ACTION:**

Director Valliant moved to support United States Geology Survey (USGS) \$34,000.00 for the Clean Water Quality for Lower Arkansas Water Quality & Groundwater Network, seconded by Director Brown. Motion unanimously carried.

**Resolution 13-04**

The Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District holds a conservation easement donated by Stealey's Wild Rose Ranch Inc., has respectively proposed a conservation easement to be conveyed to the District in 2013, consisting of 105 acres with 35.2 shares of Bessemer Irrigating Ditch Company and one irrigation well, in Pueblo County, Colorado. Motion was made by Director Brown, seconded by Director Valliant, to adopt Resolution 13-04, 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 C.**

**Berg Hill Greenleaf & Ruscitti LLP**

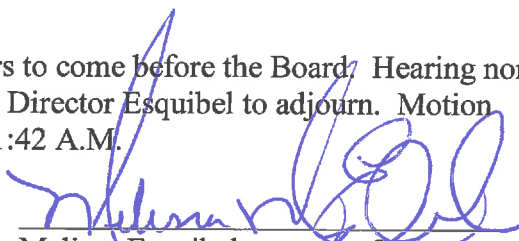
**Peter Nichols:** A copy of Attorney Nichols' legal report is attached to the minutes as **Exhibit D.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**ADJOURNED:**

Chairman Gill asked if there were any other matters to come before the Board. Hearing none, motion was made by Director Brown, seconded by Director Esquibel to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. Meeting was adjourned at 11:42 A.M.

  
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Lynden Gill Chairman

  
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Melissa Esquibel Secretary