

HUERFANO COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Minutes of Special Meeting
March 18, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Huerfano County Water Conservancy District was called to order by President Raymond Harriman on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 6:04 pm at the Council Board room, City Hall, Walsenburg.

Attendance

Directors:
Dawson Jordan
Ray Ryan
Erin Jerant
John Vucetich
Raymond Harriman

Secretary: Carol Dunn
Consultant: Ted M. Zorich, Jr.
Attorney: Jim Felt

Guests: Kent Mace, Joe Vucetich, Steve Wachterman, David Rinehart, Kenneth Hay, Steve Werner, Bob Keagle, Orlando E. Martinez, John Galusha, Grady Grissom.

The purpose of the meeting was to determine which water right would be involved in the augmentation plan, determine some costs and investigate possible augmentation storage at Sheep Mountain Ranch.

Attorney Jim Felt led the discussion. The water right leased will be the priority Reed#14, Woods Ditch – this had a change action and can be diverted at Vigil & Chavez headgate on South side or at the #2 ditch on the North side. The south headgate will require little maintenance and has a good place for an augmentation measurement station. Martinez, who was present at the meeting, has kept the headgate in good shape. On Sheep Mountain Ranch, the required dry up area will be 5-7 acres, which can be moved from year to year.

There is an old fish pond which needs some dozer work, but could be a future reservoir site. Martinez has a nearly played-out gravel pit about 25 feet deep, Orlando Pit, that could also store water. Dr. Rowland, a neighbor in the area, has offered to put in a reservoir on his property, next to Sheep Mountain Ranch. Galusha suggested the District investigate having the County help prepare the old fish pond for a reservoir.

Felt handed out copies of the lease. There was a motion by Jerant, seconded by Vucetich, to authorize Dawson Jordan to sign the lease after a telephone poll of the Board. Board approved.

Next meeting: March 30 at 6:00 pm at Walsenburg City Hall. The participant roles will be determined and an agreement will be drafted. The Enterprise will also be formed.

ADJOURNMENT

Jordan moved and Jerant seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. Board approved.

Raymond Harriman, President

Carol Dunn, Secretary