

# HUERFANO COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

## Minutes of Board Meeting October 22, 2012

### CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Huerfano County Water Conservancy District was called to order by President Raymond Harriman on Monday, October 22, 2012 at 6:00 pm.

### ROLL CALL

Directors present: Dawson Jordan, Kent Mace, Lewis Edmundson, Scott King, Raymond Harriman.

Secretary: Carol Dunn

Consultant: Ted M. Zorich, Jr.

Guests: Gail Terry, Rick Loeffler, David Rinehart, press.

Jordan moved and Mace seconded to approve the agenda. Board approved.

### MINUTES

There was a motion by Mace, seconded by Jordan, to approve the September 24, 2012 Minutes as read. Board approved, with Edmundson and King abstaining.

There was a Jordan motion, seconded by Mace, to amend the August 27, 2012 minutes: under Old Business, the case numbers should be reversed, so case 11CW96 is listed first and 11CW94 is listed second. Board approved, with King and Edmundson abstaining.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The total of all three CDs is \$44,206.35; total in the First National Bank in Trinidad/Walsenburg checking account is \$15,710.21; for a grand total of \$59,916.56 in all accounts. Jordan moved and King seconded to accept the October Treasurer's Report as presented. Board approved.

Draft budgets – Jordan moved and King seconded to accept the draft budgets and post at three places in the county for public inspection. Board approved.

### CONSULTANT REPORT

Case 12CW91 – Caschette Pipeline and Rainbow Pond – Richard & Martha Caschette, 0.16 cfs pipeline and 3.58 acre-foot pond, fully augmented - tributary to North Middle Creek. Zorich found that this is a diligence filing. Applicants are going to fill a 3.58 acre-foot fish pond and use their water right to augment the evaporation. The original case was filed in 2004. There was a Jordan motion, seconded by King, to take no action on this case. Board approved.

### OLD BUSINESS

There was no news on cases 11CW94 & 11CW96.

Mill levy election update – Out of area landowners who are Colorado voters have been notified. The deadline has now passed for them to request ballots to vote on the questions. There have been a dozen public meetings in the past month to help educate the public on the questions and the cost.

Blouin case – there will be another conference call on November 12. A temporary permit was requested, but Harriman told them that would not be agreeable to the HCWCD. There was a Jordan motion, seconded by King, to have Zorich represent the District on the next conference call. Board approved. The bottom line is that augmentation water is required.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Water case 12CW93 – Libre, Inc – Libre wells #1 & #2, Gardner; 15 gpm each well, tributary to Huerfano River. Jordan moved and King seconded to have Zorich investigate the case since the wells are owned by a corporation.

Shell petition for a non-tributary determination on the Freeman 3-24 Well – Mace commented that contesting this would be expensive and would first require an engineering review. King reported that the County Commissioners will ensure that the 1041 regulations will be followed where applicable. King moved and Jordan seconded to write a letter to the State Engineer requesting that he look out for the County's interests. Board approved.

There was a motion by Jordan, seconded by Edmundson to wait until the January 2013 meeting to elect new officers. Board approved.

There was a motion by Jordan, seconded by King, to add Kent Mace to all financial accounts at First National Bank in Trinidad, Walsenburg Branch. Ray Ryan and Raymond Harriman will be removed from all accounts. This includes the Water Activity Enterprise Accounts. Board approved.

#### DIRECTOR AND GUEST COMMENTS

Raymond Harriman tendered a letter informing the Board that he is retiring effective October 23, 2012. He has served on the Board for 32 years. There was a motion by Jordan, seconded by Mace to accept Harriman's retirement with regrets.

#### BILLS TO PAY

Jordan moved, Edmundson seconded, and Board approved payment of the following bills, total \$1,896.47:

- Carol Dunn, clerical, mileage, paper, ink – \$385.82
- Ted M. Zorich, Jr. – \$116.50
- Walsenburg Insurance – \$200.00
- Felt Monson & Culichia - \$1,194.15

#### OTHER

Next regular meeting will be November 26, 2012 at 6:00 pm at a location to be announced. The District no longer has access to a key to City Hall.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Jordan moved and King seconded to adjourn. Board approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

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Dawson Jordan, Vice-President

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Carol Dunn, Secretary