

SOUTHERN SANDOVAL COUNTY ARROYO FLOOD CONTROL AUTHORITY  
(SSCAFCA)  
MINUTES OF APRIL 19, 2013  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

**CALL TO ORDER.**

The regular meeting of the SSCAFCA Board of Directors was called to order by Donald Rudy, Chairman, at 9:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS.**

Directors in attendance were John Chaney, Mark Conkling, Jim Fahey, and Donald Rudy. Steve House was noted as absent. Bernard Metzgar, SSCAFCA's attorney, Charles Thomas, Executive Engineer, and members of the public were also present.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Announcements were made by Donald Rudy that all electronic devices needed to be turned off during the meeting and that the microphones are voice activated.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

The Board was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Donald Rudy.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

Mr. Charles Thomas stated that one item from the Environmental Services Director portion of the meeting, the Action/Acceptance of selection of Bohannon Huston, Inc. for Professional Engineering Design Services, Alternatives Analysis Phase for the Lower Montoyas Arroyo Water Quality Feature, was stricken from the Agenda.

A motion was made by Jim Fahey to approve the Agenda as amended. It was seconded by Mark Conkling and passed unanimously.

**ACTION/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2013.**

A motion was made by Jim Fahey to approve the Minutes of March 15, 2013 as presented. It was seconded by John Chaney and passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC FORUM.**

None.

## STAFF REPORTS:

### *Executive Engineer:*

#### 1. Presentation on Venada Arroyo.

Mr. Charles Thomas stated that SSCAFCA had recently contracted with Easterling to do some conceptual design work and introduced Chuck Easterling. Mr. Chuck Easterling stated that they looked at the Venada Arroyo to review dam sites that had been acquired. The first sites they looked at were on Unser Boulevard at the upper end and the other was just upstream of Progress Boulevard. The total watershed area is about 25 square miles; this particular branch is about 8.5 square miles at the lower Venada end. The Venada Arroyo is a busy system.

He stated that they looked at the Unser site and it's a traditional site for a dam and can be aligned with the road. SSCAFCA has almost all the right-of-way it needs to build the dam comfortably. A grading easement or slope easement might be needed. When they looked at the lower site, the challenge is that it's not the best site topographically. In order to make it work some tracts of land will need to be acquired. The biggest problem is probably the fact that there is a 60,000 cfs probable maximum flood and not a lot of relief, so it's a 1,500 foot long spillway. They did have an option where they could build a dropway in the channel and fix the grade at that location and then put in another drop structure to let the water into the basin, but the grade would be a foot or two lower so the water would run in first until it was full. The concept is good, however, because there is so much material in the area, they had to move a lot of overburden to get down to where they needed to be. They can dump the water into a hole, build a relatively low dam that will gravity drain without doing a lot of extra work. The arroyo system currently does not need a dam as large as you may ultimately need. It's difficult to justify spending \$7.6 million at one time when you only need a smaller dam right now. As development occurs, you build onto the dam. As you go downstream, multi-use possibilities start to open up.

Mr. Easterling stated that the off channel storage facilities function just like the flood plain when it captures the flooding. This site would mimic that. When an area is paved, the changes that it creates are dramatic. The average annual runoff from a site in existing conditions is about 1/10 of an inch per year. When something is paved it turns into 4.9 inches per year, which is a 48% increase. They presented in their report that the site would capture the first flush and have a big impact on water quality. As development occurs, the load that is put on the arroyos changes dramatically and the arroyos react in a way that's compatible with the development that occurs adjacent to it. They start to meander, plugging up culverts, and it's difficult to plan anything adjacent to them because of the sediment volumes everything is so unstable.

Mr. Easterling stated that one of the things they can do to manage the watershed is to mitigate the effects of development by having everybody having on-site ponding which operates exactly how it needs to operate, or these kind of off-channel storage facilities can be put throughout the watersheds because they can be effective wherever they are placed in the system since they catch the first flow. There's not a lot of development in this watershed yet and four of these little facilities can be put in to meet SSCAFCA's limit at 528. These sort of facilities will most likely affect the LEE lines farther downstream. If this is done throughout the watershed so the arroyo starts to see a load that's similar to the historic load, you basically mitigate the impacts of the arroyo throughout and it will have a huge affect on the LEE lines. These can be used as "in lieu of" benefits with the developers.

Mr. Thomas stated that development is not progressing rapidly in this area so this plan does not need to be executed immediately. However, it gives a lot of flexibility to build the first pond where the development starts to happen first. It allows SSCAFCA some flexibility and is very exciting. As these are put in, SSCAFCA is protecting the downstream infrastructure from the necessity to remove sediment and mitigate the flow.

2. Legislative Update.

Mr. Larry Horan stated that the last day for the signing period for the Governor was April 5th. This session seemed to start off slow because there were 35 new members and there were also changes in leadership. The Governor's agenda was education reform, driver's license reform, and Obamacare and the health care exchange. These items took up a big chunk of the legislative time.

He stated that there was a reform on PIDS - public improvement districts. In the past year there was lots of controversy regarding Mariposa. This is because it was a PID that had uncapped property tax liability for the residents and once the developer pulled out of the project there were a bunch of homeowners who had uncapped property tax liability which could have gone up around 1,000%. One of the big issues is that developers are saying that a PID is a very good tool for them to have planned development communities, but homeowners want to have some predictability. One of the champions of that bill was Jason Harper, a new representative from Rio Rancho who did a really good job on the reform bill.

He stated that there were also some changes to the Procurement Code. One of those is that there is a requirement that you have a Chief Procurement Officer that is identified by a public agency and they will be responsible to go to some training and be responsible for all the procurement

from the State. There are also some changes in sole source procurement and what type of due diligence you have to follow to identify someone as a sole source contract rather than going out to bid.

The other big issue was that there was a lot of push for some tax reform to help generate jobs in New Mexico. The tax reform bill includes elimination of the hold harmless for cities and counties that had various components to it, a corporate income tax reduction, mandatory combined reporting for corporate income tax, a single sales factor change, and a fixed high wage jobs tax credits. That bill didn't get any momentum, but what happened on the last day, within the last 45 minutes of the session, they took that omnibus tax bill (a 60 page bill) and the Senate amended it to fix film tax credits, which is a bill that has passed both houses. Then they sent it back to see if the House would concur with it. They acted on that bill at the very end of the session.

He stated that, with regard to the capital outlay bill, the legislature determined they were going to spend \$122 million on statewide projects. They took another \$100 million and distributed that amongst the House and the Senate for the members to individually fund their own projects. SCAFCA had two projects that had been proposed to its legislators. Early on, SCAFCA starts trying to identify projects that would be attractive to legislators and meet with its individual legislators to see what kind of response they get. They are getting better at dealing with the process. The support that SCAFCA staff provides makes it really easy to go to the legislators and give them the projects and something good.

He stated that one of SCAFCA's projects was for the Black Arroyo to do a pedestrian bridge by Maggie Cordova Elementary and the other was the Lomitas Negras Water Quality Structure to solve the Harvey Jones problem. SCAFCA received \$265,000 for the pedestrian bridge project and \$255,000 for the Lomitas Negras project. The Governor sends out questionnaires and asks for information. Staff is really great at answering the questions and taking a proactive approach at getting letters of support from various people. This helps to keep the projects from getting vetoed.

He stated that there is a change in the open meetings act. Instead of being required 24 hour notice publication it is now a 72 hour public notice requirement. The bonding cycle should be around September or October which is when SCAFCA will actually get the money for the projects.

3. Action/Acceptance of Agreement with Murray, Montgomery & O'Donnell for Federal Lobbyist Services.

Mr. Charles Thomas stated that it has become apparent that SCAFCA could benefit by having a presence on the federal level to see if more funding can become available for projects.

Murray, Montgomery & O'Donnell has been active in New Mexico and did provide a presentation to the Board at last month's meeting. An agreement has been negotiated and he asks for approval of the agreement. It is a one year agreement with an option to renew with an annual cost of \$38,000.00.

Mr. Conkling stated that they have already had a preliminary meeting and the Murray firm is already formulating a plan of attack on how to deal with these issues.

A motion was made by Mark Conkling to accept the agreement as presented. It was seconded by Jim Fahey and passed unanimously.

4. Action/Acceptance of Memorandum of Understanding with City of Rio Rancho for City Center Facility Plan.

Mr. Thomas stated that staff wants to develop a comprehensive plan that addresses development within the City Center which also incorporates the Upper SLO and PDV Dam flow regime so that all three elements are incorporated together. This MOU has been reviewed and approved by legal counsel for both sides. The agreement basically states that SSCAFCA and the City will split the costs for the plan creation 50/50. There is funding authorized within the Plan to cover the City's half of that project. Mr. Conkling stated that the contract has a deadline of September 30, 2013 which will push things through.

A motion was made by Mark Conkling to accept the MOU as presented. It was seconded by Jim Fahey and passed unanimously.

5. Discussion on Property Acquisition:  
: Summary of property acquired during current fiscal year;

Mr. Charles Thomas stated that SSCAFCA has acquired property in eight distinct areas. SSCAFCA was notified by the owners of property that was available in the Calabacillas that was adjacent to SSCAFCA's holdings and SSCAFCA purchased about eight acres in that area. The largest piece acquired was 150 acres of arroyo within the Upper Montoyas Watershed. SSCAFCA acquired two properties for the Upper SLO Dam and acquired the single piece of property needed for the Saratoga Dam and staff is pursuing an easement agreement with the City for a portion of the adjacent property. SSCAFCA purchased four properties in the Trib A Dam footprint; several properties within the PDV Dam and all three properties for the Bernalillo Water Quality Feature. SSCAFCA also acquired five properties in the Black Arroyo Open Space Wildlife Park area with only one piece of property remaining to be acquired in that area. With these properties, SSCAFCA has acquired approximately 200 acres of land total during the past year.

: Projected future acquisitions;

Mr. Thomas showed the Board the properties which staff will be focusing on in the coming year. Staff would like to complete acquisition in the PDV and Upper SLO Dam areas. The Campeche Pond has been identified as a significant regional feature that will be needed in the Unit 17 area and acquisition of those six lots is being pursued. Staff would like to complete the purchase of the properties in the Trib A Dam area. There is one remaining property in the Alberta Phase II project. Once all the property is acquired in the PDV Dam there is a section between Paseo del Volcan and Loma Colorado that is platted to the center line of the arroyo so staff will pursue acquisition of properties in that area as well.

Mr. Thomas stated that SSCAFCA should be able to acquire all the properties, given the current level of funding authorization that staff has with the existing bonds that have been issued. The cost should not exceed \$1 million, but he doesn't have an exact number.

: Action/Acceptance to acquire playa property in Calabacillas Watershed.

Mr. Thomas stated that one of the projects staff is working on is developing the basic hydrology for the Calabacillas Watershed Management Plan. After the GIS was run, the presence of natural playas was discovered within the watershed. A playa retains all of the rainfall within a specific area so there is no outlet. It's a natural retention pond created from the native topography. He is not aware of any regulations which would prohibit SSCAFCA from keeping that water. If traditional development were to go forward, this natural feature would be eradicated and that flow which had been retained in a natural location would be added back into the system, so it would increase the overall flow beyond the historic level, not only through the increase in impervious surface, but also because this had never gone into the basin in the first place. Staff proposes that the Board add acquisition of these playa areas into SSCAFCA's property acquisition strategy to retain the playas as natural open space features in perpetuity.

Mr. Rudy stated that he would like to have them identified in SSCAFCA's Drainage Management Plan. Mr. Thomas stated that Gerhard produced a map and the entire jurisdiction was looked at. Surprisingly, staff did not see the same level of density of these features in the rest of the watersheds. It seemed to be localized to the Calabacillas. There is one of significance and it is right in the middle of the Edinburgh facility and it is slated to be erased. He stated that now will be the most fiscally responsible time to acquire this property rather than in the future.

A motion was made by Mark Conkling to add the playa property to SSCAFCA's strategy of acquisition. It was seconded by Jim Fahey and passed unanimously.

: Action/Acceptance of Resolution 2013-7 to Proceed with final acquisition of property for the Upper SLO and PDV Dam.

Mr. Charles Thomas stated that this Resolution authorizes staff to proceed with final acquisition of property for the Upper SLO and PDV Dam. Staff has been attempting to negotiate on all of these properties and the purchases need to be finalized to establish the facility there. There are several properties which may have legal issues on them.

A motion was made by Jim Fahey to approve Resolution 2013-7 as presented. It was seconded by Mark Conkling. Roll call vote: John Chaney, yes; Mark Conkling, yes; Jim Fahey, yes; Donald Rudy, yes. The motion passed 4-0.

6. Development Status Update.

Mr. Charles Thomas stated that there is a map provided in the packets that identifies the areas of development and there has been an increase in the level of activity this month. Many of those are relatively minor and insignificant with regard to a drainage perspective. The Questa Master Plan actually reduces the density of the development and adds a neighborhood park. The Rachel Matthew development, just west of 528 along the Montoyas, is a development being proposed for about 1/6 of the total property which would require some drainage improvements to tie into the Montoyas. The two Corrales South development issues were a summary plat for lot consolidation and a zone map, both of which were fairly minor. The Hawk Site is a more significant project. SSCAFCA has an easement on the northern end of the Hawk Site development that is rather strangely shaped. The developer is now proposing to completely reconfigure that development area and place a different retention feature in the area. The final one was a lot line adjustment at Commercial Center. Basically the drainage had been impacted by a fence that had been installed on the lot lines so they are trying to match the drainage pattern to the existing structures.

7. Roskos Pond Improvement Project Presentation.

Mr. Charles Thomas stated that when staff started looking at rehabilitation of Roskos Pond they started looking at repurposing the flood control features that are in this area.

Mr. Jim Service stated that the numbers and the project scope have been identified. Roskos Field is a joint project with the City of Rio Rancho as a multi-use facility. The field is a

drainage control structure, but it was decided to do a demonstration wetland project. Over time, the ducks had left the wetlands with a bunch of cattails. Once they start, they take over. When the demonstration project was done, it was stocked with mosquito fish, but because of all the turtles and gold fish that had been dumped into the pond there was a huge propagation of gold fish and some pretty good sized turtles and the mosquito fish population declined. The amount of sludge that was in the four bay was an eye opener. The maintenance cost and annual clean-up were both escalating each year.

Mr. Jim Service stated that there is one place in Albuquerque that takes sludge because of the EPA connotations to it. All of the cattails have been removed and the four bay has been exposed. He described the plan for fixing Roskos Field so that water will be able to go into the discharge bay and go to what was the former wetlands. He can't figure out a way to put in a rain barrel without it being vandalized or stolen. Some rocks will be put at the entrance of the four bay to cut down the velocity coming off the parking lot, go across the four bay planted area with grass and sunflowers. The connecting pipe will go up to the newly created area. In the bottom will be a dry river bed surrounded by different shades of cobble. In the middle trees will be planted. In the top circle will be the shade structure using corrugated metal pipe as two pillars and use them as a water containment apparatus to drain it back into the wetlands and use that as a water harvesting technique. The cost for everything will be about \$185,000.00. The cost for the last eight years is a little under \$100,000.00 - and that's just for maintenance. A write up will be placed on the website, as well as this presentation.

Mr. Thomas stated that the shade structure is designed to handle a rain event of 2.5 inch storm, which is just under the modeled 100 year storm. Ms. Conran stated that the benefit of this sort of project fits in more with the environment and the climate at this particular time. The sludge will now go through the sunflower area so that the plants will take up a lot of the toxins instead of having to dig it out. It will also be designed to show how people can use the landscaping in their yards. But, it is also a flood structure and is still protecting citizens. Mr. Thomas stated that SSCAFCA is also getting rid of the health concern of the "mosquito pit" that the forebay had become because of the overgrowth. The annual maintenance costs will also decrease because the system will be self-supporting and cleaning.

***Environmental Services Director:***

1. Draft Black Arroyo Master Plan Presentation.

Dave Gatterman introduced George Radnovich of Sites Southwest. Mr. Radnovich stated that he is a landscape architect and a planner. Sites Southwest was hired by SSCAFCA to do



the Master Plan for the arroyo open space area. He stated that the yellow area on the map is the zone that the Corps wants to protect, which the Master Plan does. The blue area will end up being a ponding area at some point in the future as funds become available. The first thing they did is look at the opportunities and constraints on the site. They also looked at the site from a wildlife perspective and had their biologist go into the field to determine where animal habitats are located. They looked at it from the perspective of trails. All of the dash lines are existing trails. They tried to use the existing trails as much as possible rather than create new ones. They also looked at it aesthetically and the yellowish circles are view sheds. They tried to determine where potential entry points are into the open space. They looked at noise and possible buffering from the neighborhoods. There are two water sources for vegetation for the open space. One is the arroyo itself and the other is the water utility overflow for the well that is on the west side of the open space. The water utility well deposits about 10,000 gallons every other day into the arroyo. He stated there is an area set aside for the Maggie Cordova School, along with water harvesting and access control.

Mr. Radnovich stated they divided the area into four basic areas: 1) a set aside for education and passive play by students from the school; 2) the environmental mitigation zone to keep trails and access to it away from that away; 3) the general open space area itself; and 4) the pond area at the furthest southeast corner of the open space. Within each of the areas they have different uses. They believe that vehicular access could be in the area of the cul-de-sacs. There is a desired path there already which could be formalized and the largest bridge could be put in that area. They suggested to have a pull-out where people could get off of 14th Street to drop off their kids out of traffic. Unser creates quite a bit of noise for the open space, so the green buffers on the map will be used as noise control and vegetation for visual buffering in those areas to create a less auditory impact to the open space. Along the main trail, they tried to place them where there was already quite a bit of traffic.

Mr. Radnovich stated that instead of fencing off the environmental mitigation zone, they decided that it made more sense to control access along the entire perimeter of the open space. The border will follow the boundary of the open space all the way around except for the area where two parcels are hold outs and there must be access to their property. There should also be access control in the arroyo itself because somebody on an ATV or motorcycle could get in. This access is right at the upper headwater of the mitigation zone. Along the arroyo they suggest using some water harvesting devices for the project to control sediment and keep some of the stormwater from leaving the area. The water from the City well becomes nonpotable water as soon as the flush occurs and that water can be used. If they can direct the water from the flushing into the grow-out nursery and then have it flow naturally to feed the trees, the water can be used effectively and efficiently.

Mr. Radnovich stated that the little orange squares will be used for exercise stations to increase people's health as well as the land's health. He then showed the Board the types of bridges that could be used to cross the arroyo. He went over other amenities and ideas that could be contained in the area.

Mr. Radnovich stated that up to now they have had two public meetings and one agency coordination meeting with the City of Rio Rancho and Maggie Cordova School representatives. Everybody seems to be on board with the project. They plan to have one more final Master Plan meeting to incorporate any ideas or comments that SSCAFCA has. This project will be presented to the Maggie Cordova PTO on May 6th. Another presentation will be brought to the SSCAFCA Board at the May 17th meeting.

Mr. Chaney asked about a cost of implementing the plan and who's going to bear that cost. Mr. Gatterman stated that they will need to come up with unit costs on the different features that will be installed in the open space. The bridge and the associated parking lots and connecting trails could be paid for by the capital outlay appropriation and not a direct SSCAFCA cost. Staff is also searching out other forms of funding for the trails that would be the potential federal government money. The idea is that for the other features that wouldn't be covered by these other forms of funding that SSCAFCA would reach out to the private community for donation and sponsorship. Mr. Radnovich stated that, as part of their scope, they will be developing a phasing plan, an implementation plan and a cost estimate. They are holding back on the cost estimates until there is close to final approval from everybody involved so that it is pretty stable to develop the cost estimate. The project is drawn from what is already there and just improving what's already there, so it should not be too costly. The most costly portions would be the bridges, the trails and the access control around the boundary. Mr. Radnovich stated that they've done most of what they're suggesting on other projects before so they should have a pretty good planning level cost estimate by the end of the work on the project.

Mr. Conkling stated that the original underlying economic infrastructure for this land is a place to which developers can contribute money in exchange for easements they need in their projects. This is called a land bank. Any time a developer needs an easement or drainage accommodations from SSCAFCA, they can buy some of this property in exchange for the other property. Mr. Radnovich stated that all the entities he has been dealing with in regard to this project are very highly supportive of it and SSCAFCA.

2. Action/Acceptance of contract amendment for Harvey Jones Channel construction.

Dave Gatterman stated this amendment is to provide for design for constructing the first phase of the channel construction on the Harvey Jones Channel. This will provide SSCAFCA with the first part of the optimum solution to change the channel to a trapezoidal channel to eliminate the sill. The intent is to use the money available in the capital outlay account and the SSCAFCA funds dedicated to this project to construct as much of the trapezoidal as possible. This will consist of removing the sill and then moving as far west as possible with the trapezoidal channel until the money runs out.

A motion was made by Mark Conkling to accept the contract amendment as presented. It was seconded by Jim Fahey and passed unanimously.

***Fiscal Services Director:***

1. Recognition/Acknowledgment of the Fiscal Services Report for March 31, 2013.

Deborah Casaus presented the Fiscal Services Report for March 31, 2013 in the Board's packets. She stated that property tax collections are coming in as expected and there are no surprises. Budget projection should be achieved by the end of the year. General fund expenditures, fiscal year to date, are about 38% of the total budget and we're about 75% through the fiscal year

There were 31 single family residential permits issued by the City of Rio Rancho for the month of February 2013. She checked the website today and, as of today, there were an additional 53 issued for the month of March, which brings the total to 134 for the year versus 82 for the same time last year. That's up about 63%. Interest earned on the State Treasurer's funds was at a rate of .109%.

The Fiscal Services Report for March 31, 2013 was recognized and acknowledged by the Board.

2. Action/Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2014 Preliminary Budget.

Deborah Casaus stated that the Fiscal Year 2014 Preliminary Budget is in process. Some of the changes include a 1% increase in assessed valuation. Based on that, they increased the approximation by 1%, which should yield about \$1,986,000.00 in revenue in the general fund. They propose keeping the mil rate the same at .828 mils for both residential and non-residential property. Those are subject to change based on DFA's calculation of the mil rate and yield control. This will come around September after the final budget is submitted so those final mil rates won't be in until then, but they will have a good idea when the final budget is submitted. There is a cost of living

adjustment for salaries and wages at 2.1%. That is based on the same calculation of the CPI. Also included is performance incentives for all permanent employees ranging from about 2.9% to 5.4%.

Mr. Chaney stated that the Budget Committee suggested that the performance bonus be a one time incentive performance bonus to see the performance continue in the future. With regard to the incentive bonus, Mr. Fahey stated that since a lot of work is now being done in house and SSCAFCA has saved much more than any bonus would be, then it made sense to give the bonuses. The amount saved by performing work in house is in the neighborhood of \$681,000.00. The thought is that some of that savings could be shared with the employees. Mr. Conkling stated that his feeling is that the structural change has been achieved and there is no reason to believe that it won't be there from now on. It is unlikely that SSCAFCA will go back to its old ways. If you take the savings achieved, then that amount goes forward without an annual budget and should be part of the new salaries. He suggested combining a permanent recognition of the structural change with annual incentives for opportunities. Mr. Rudy stated that he does not like the bonus idea at all. He would rather make it a permanent raise to the salaries. When you have a gain of this sort, the performance of the staff is only a part of that. If the performance is outstanding, he would like to treat them as their performance is outstanding rather than have it attached to a particular opportunity that came about in a certain year. The problem with giving a high raise every year is that eventually you are paying a lot of money every year for staff, as opposed to a performance bonus which does not necessarily affect the yearly budget in a great way.

Ms. Casaus stated that the budget is due by June 1 based on the statute. She proposed that if the budget meets the Board's approval, it can be approved with that one item pending that can go to committee and it can be adjusted based on that. She stated that the health insurance premiums are increasing this year by 9.4% which is split between employer and employee. There will be an increase in the PERA contribution of about 1.5% on the employee side. There will be an increase on the employer side but not until 2015 which will be .4%. The operation and maintenance is funded at \$766,000.00 and includes sediment removal, large storm clean out (\$400,000.00) and trash and dumping, in addition to general O & M costs. The Improvements and Fencing Budget is \$385,000.00 and will be used for planned fencing and facility improvements. A big change in the budget this year is for right-of-way. It is being reduced from \$350,000.00 to a little less than \$20,000.00. Staff is going to try to make all of the right-of-way purchases out of the construction fund, which is the capital fund budget and use the general fund budget for easements, surveys, etc. The general fund reserve will remain at \$750,000.00, which includes the 1/12 requirement from DFA, as well as the additional \$460,000.00 that SSCAFCA continues to keep in the reserve for emergencies. The debt service property tax is estimated to be about \$3 million. This is the same rate as in fiscal year 2013. The construction budget is expected at about \$6.5 million to be carried over. This is comprised mostly of the 2012 bond issue and a little remaining funds from the 2011 bond issue.

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There are projects in the works to spend that money in addition to the other money received from appropriations.

A motion was made by Mark Conkling to approve the 2014 Preliminary Budget except for employee salaries. It was seconded by Jim Fahey and passed unanimously.

***Field Services Director:***

1. Gateway Pond Parking Lot Update.

Jim Service stated that there was a meeting on Wednesday with the City, the contractor and the inspectors that are on the job. The contractor will start on Monday and it should be completed by the second week of May. After that, the dedication ceremony will be discussed. With that opening project, staff was going to incorporate the wall and the art in one fell swoop. Total project cost will be about \$25,000.00 and is being done in house. The cost for doing this with outside services was about \$80,000.00.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.**

Mr. Rudy stated that he has been working with the COG Water Board and the Water Assembly, both of whom work on the state water resources plan. In the state budget, there was an allocation for starting an update of that. They are going to be doing two regions at a time. They have not yet determined which ones.

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS.**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

None.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT.**

None.

**PROPERTY MATTERS.**

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1. Action/Acceptance to purchase – Unit 21, Block 114, Lot 8 – 0.58 acres – PDV Dam
2. Action/Acceptance to purchase – Unit 17, Block 85, Lot 19 – 0.50 acres – Campeche Pond.

A motion was made by John Chaney to approve the purchase of the properties as presented. It was seconded by Jim Fahey and passed unanimously.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:**

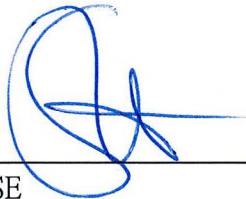
1. March 13, 2013 correspondence to Governor Susana Martinez requesting support for Senate Bill 60/House Bill 337, section 21, items 6 and 7 for the Black Arroyo Pedestrian Bridge and the design and construction of the Lomitas Negras water quality structure and park.
2. Rio Rancho Observer article, “State announces capital outlay”, (04/10/2013).
3. Rio West article, “Corrales gets capital money for infrastructure”, (04/13/2013).

**OTHER BUSINESS.**

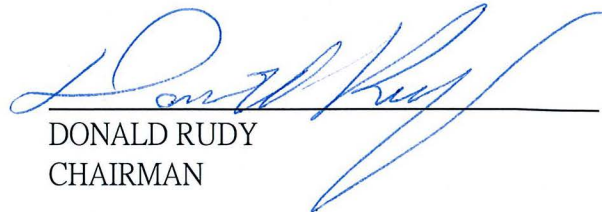
- Next Regular Board Meeting is on Friday, May 17, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

A motion was made by Jim Fahey and seconded by John Chaney to adjourn the meeting. It was carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.



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STEVE HOUSE  
Secretary



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DONALD RUDY  
CHAIRMAN

DATE APPROVED: 5/17/13