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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Saiers called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Thursday, March 25, 2010. Roll was noted as follows:

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| Directors present: | Chair Janet Saiers Director Ronald D. Brown Director Danny Hernandez Director Daniel Lyon |
| Director excused: | Director Tim Eichenberg |
| Others present: | John Kelly, Executive Engineer Attorney Marcus Rael, Jr. Staff Other attendees on file at AMAFCA |

A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Director Hernandez made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Brown seconded the motion. Mr. Kelly noted that agenda items 15 and 16 need to be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda to allow for discussion. Chair Saiers stated that agenda items 15 and 16 would be on the Regular Agenda rather than the Consent Agenda. The motion passed (4-0).

3. Meetings Scheduled

- a. **Thursday, April 22, 2010, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- b. **Thursday, May 27, 2010, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- c. **Thursday, June 24, 2010, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**

There were no changes to the proposed meeting schedule.

4. Items from the Floor / Public Comment

There were no speakers from the floor.



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5. Approval of Minutes

a. February 25, 2010

Director Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2010 Regular Board Meeting. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

b. March 18, 2010

Director Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2010 Special Board Meeting. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

6. Financial Matters

a. Approval of February 2010 Expenditures

Irene Jeffries, AMAFCA Business Manager, presented the February 2010 Expenditure Report, answering several questions from the Chair. Mr. Kelly added that the Mid-Region Council of Governments does regional aerial orthophotography every two years. AMAFCA is one of the agencies that participates in the cost of that project. AMAFCA's share is \$20,000 of the \$485,000 project.

Director Brown made a motion to approve the February 2010 Expenditure Report. Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

b. Local Government Investment Pool Reserve Primary Fund – Update

In addition to the mailout memo, Ms. Jeffries provided a handout of recent correspondence to the Board. She stated that AMAFCA had received notification that costs will be incurred. She stated that there will be another distribution from the Local Government Investment Pool Reserve Primary Fund, but the date of that distribution was unknown at this time.

c. Investment Report for February 2010

For information. There were no questions.

d. Financial Recap February 16, 2010, through March 15, 2010

Ms. Jeffries presented the Financial Recap for February 16, 2010 through March 15, 2010. She stated that the item labeled "Cost Share COA" in the Construction Fund should be labeled "Cost



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Share Reimbursement MRGCD." Mr. Kelly noted that these funds were the AMAFCA portion of the first Federal reimbursement for the project.

e. Financial Forecast March 16, 2010, through April 15, 2010

Ms. Jeffries presented the Financial Forecast for the period March 16, 2010, through April 15, 2010. She stated that the Forecast includes several payments for construction, engineering and right of way acquisition, from the Construction Fund, and an investment of \$100,000 into the State Short Term Fund from the Agency and Area-Wide Fund.

Director Brown made a motion to approve the Financial Forecast. Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

f. AMAFCA 2010 Audit – Authorization to Advertise for Audit Services

Ms. Jeffries stated that AMAFCA had been notified by the Office of the Auditor that we are to procure services for the FY 2010 audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. She had provided draft versions of the RFP Legal Notice and Scope of Services. The scope request that the financial statements be prepared in compliance with the 2.2.2 NMAC, Requirements of Contracting and Conducting Audits of Agencies (2010 Audit Rule).

Mr. Kelly noted that Ricci and Company had reached the end of their term of agreement but could be selected again for another three years, which would bring them to six years, the previous maximum number of consecutive years. Ms. Jeffries noted that a rule change now allows for ten consecutive years of the same firm performing the audit, then two years off.

Mr. Rael clarified that this new Audit Rule allows ten consecutive years as long as the audit fees do not exceed \$50,000. After discussion, he recommended proceeding with the proposed RFP for up to three years of audit services, as specified in the Audit Rule.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board authorize advertisement of the RFP for Audit Services for FY 2010. Director Lyon seconded the motion.

Mr. Kelly noted that the timing of the RFP was such that it will allow the Board as a whole to serve as the Selection Advisory Committee, if the Chair so desired. Proposals could be distributed to the Board at the April 22 Board meeting, with the SAC to be held during the May 27 Board meeting. The Chair supported this idea.

The motion passed (4-0).



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7. Legal

a. Status Report

Attorney Marcus Rael briefed the Board on the status of various legal matters, answering several questions from the Board.

8. Personnel Matter

Mr. Kelly stated that he had met with the Personnel and Salary Committee. They had made some changes to the draft ad and position description. AMAFCA's attorney had also made a small change to comply with AMAFCA's Personnel Manual. He and Mr. Rael answered several questions from the Board.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board approve the position description. Director Hernandez seconded the motion.

Director Lyon suggested a few minor changes to the position description. Director Brown concurred with the changes and amended his motion to include the changes suggested by Director Lyon. Director Hernandez concurred with the amended motion.

The amended motion passed (4-0).

Director Brown made a motion that the Board delegate the decision of when and where to run the ad, along with the final wording of the ad, to the Personnel and Salary Committee. Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

9. Notification of On-Call Services Task Orders

Mr. Kelly noted that three on-call services task orders had been issued in the past month, as described in his memo. In response to a question from Chair Saiers, Mr. Kelly noted that an "H&H Analysis" is a Hydrologic and Hydraulic Analysis.

Chair Saiers noted that agenda items 15 and 16 had been taken off the Consent Agenda, and put on the Regular Agenda.



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Consent Agenda – agenda items 10-14:

10. AMAFCA Financial Advisor Services – Consideration of Second Extension of Agreement with RBC Capital Markets

The memo from Ms. Jeffries stated that the March 2008 agreement with RBC Capital Markets for Financial Advisor Services was for one year, with up to three one-year extensions of the agreement upon the mutual consent of the parties. Kevin Powers of RBC Capital Markets has agreed to extend the contract with no increase in fees. The AMAFCA Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form was completed. She stated that, if the Board approves, this will be the second extension of the original contract.

11. AMAFCA Bond Counsel Services – Consideration of Second Extension of Agreement with the Modrall Law Firm

The memo from Ms. Jeffries stated that the March 2008 agreement with the Modrall Law Firm for Bond Counsel Services was for one year, with up to three one-year extensions of the agreement upon the mutual consent of the parties. Duane Brown of the Modrall Law Firm has agreed to extend the contract with no increase in fees. The AMAFCA Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form was completed. She stated that, if the Board approves, this will be the second extension of the original contract.

12. AMAFCA Manual Trash & Debris Removal – Consideration of Third and Final Extension of Contract with Black Forest Tree Service

The memo from Kurt Wagener, AMAFCA Field Engineer, stated that the May 2007 contract with Black Forest Tree Service for Manual Trash and Debris Removal from Flood Control Facilities was for one year, with up to three one-year extensions of the contract upon the mutual consent of the parties. Black Forest Tree Service has agreed to extend the contract with no increase to the existing rates. The AMAFCA Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form was completed. He stated that, if the Board approves, this will be the third and final extension of the original contract.

13. AMAFCA Mechanical Trash & Debris Removal – Consideration of Third and Final Extension of Contract with Southwest Sewer Service

The memo from Mr. Wagener stated that the May 2007 contract with Southwest Sewer Service for Mechanical Trash and Debris Removal from Flood Control Facilities was for one year, with up to three one-year extensions of the contract upon the mutual consent of the parties. Southwest Sewer Service has agreed to extend the contract with no increase in the hourly unit prices. The AMAFCA Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form was completed. He stated that, if the Board agrees, this will be the third and final extension of the original contract.



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14. Bidability and Constructability Reviews – Authorization to Advertise Request for Proposals for Services

The memo from Mr. Wagener stated that AMAFCA has in the past established a pool of several construction-contracting firms who can provide advice and assistance to AMAFCA and its consulting engineers on the design, bidability, and constructability of flood control projects. The term of the existing agreements expire on or about June 1, 2010 and a new pool needs to be established. The proposed Advertisement, Scope of Services with Statement of Interest, the AMAFCA Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form, and the proposed Agreement were provided to the Board. He asked for authorization to advertise.

There being no further items on the Consent Agenda, and there being no questions, Director Lyon made a motion that the Board take action on the consent agenda, as follows:

- Extend the agreement with RBC Capital Markets to provide Financial Advisor Services for one additional year with no increase in fees;
- Extend the agreement with the Modrall Law Firm to provide Bond Counsel services for one additional year with no increase in fees;
- Authorize the Executive Engineer to extend the Manual Trash and Debris Removal from Flood Control Facilities for 2007 Contract with Black Forest Tree Service for a third and final one-year term with no change to the existing rates;
- Authorize the Executive Engineer to extend the Mechanical Trash and Debris Removal from Flood Control Facilities for 2007 Contract with Southwest Sewer Service for a third and final one-year term with no increase in the hourly unit prices; and
- Authorize the Executive Engineer to advertise the Request for Proposals for Design, Bidability and Constructability Review On-Call Contracts.

Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

Regular Agenda:

15. Southwest Valley Flood Reduction Project: Los Padillas Gravity Outlet Crossing of Isleta Boulevard – Authorization to Advertise for Construction Bids

Mr. Wagener stated that he would like to request authorization to advertise for construction bids for the Southwest Valley Flood Reduction Project's Los Padillas Gravity Outlet Crossing of Isleta Boulevard, but delay actual advertisement of the project until the Corps of Engineer's PCA Modification had been completed. Once the PCA Modification has been approved, the plans can be signed and the project put out to bid.



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Director Brown made a motion that the Board authorize the Executive Engineer to advertise for construction bids for the Los Padillas Gravity Outlet Crossing of Isleta, subject to the plans being signed. Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

16. Tandem Axle Dump Truck – Award of Bid to Low Bidder

Mr. Wagener noted that there was a handout on this agenda item.

He stated that eight bids were received and the apparent low bidder was Roberts Truck Center, but they withdrew their bid after a protest that their engine did not meet specifications. The AMAFCA Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form was included with all bids.

Mr. Wagener stated that the truck had been budgeted with an engine meeting the EPA's 2007 specifications, but because it was not bid until spring, the bidding specifications included an engine meeting the EPA's 2010 specifications. This puts the truck slightly over budget, but the cost overrun can be made up in the budget through savings in other line items.

He recommended that Roberts Truck Center be allowed to withdraw their bid and award the bid of the Tandem Axle Dump Truck to Albuquerque Freightliner in the amount of \$116,951.00 plus New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board accept the withdrawal of the bid from Roberts Truck Center, award the bid to Albuquerque Freightliner, and authorize the Executive Engineer to execute a purchase order to Albuquerque Freightliner for the purchase of the Tandem Axle Dump Truck in the amount of \$116,951.00 plus New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax. Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

17. East Amole Surge Pond

a. Construction Management Services – Consideration of Amendment Number 11 to Engineering Services Agreement with Bohannon Huston, Inc.

Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Drainage Engineer, stated that there had been a late mailout on this agenda item.

He noted that design changes had been made to the East Amole Surge Pond so that it is now a non-jurisdictional dam. This resulted in slightly increased design costs, but construction and construction management of the project will be less. He introduced Craig Hoover of Bohannon Huston, Inc., and recommended approval of Amendment Number 11 to the agreement with Bohannon Huston, Inc.



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Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board approve Amendment Number 11 with Bohannon Huston to provide Construction Management Services for the construction of the East Amole Surge Pond in the amount of \$175,379.00, excluding New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax. Director Lyon seconded the motion.

Responding to questions from Chair Saiers, Mr. Lovato stated that the total cost of the construction project will be about \$3.8 million, AMAFCA will receive \$85,000 from Bernalillo County for the placement of excess material on the old Nine Mile Hill Landfill next to the project, and SunCal provided the land for the surge pond and monies towards the construction of the drainage improvements along the I-40 corridor. A portion of the project was constructed in conjunction with the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) project which has been completed.

The motion passed (4-0).

b. Authorization to Advertise for Construction Bids

Mr. Lovato noted that there had been a late mailout on this agenda item.

He noted that final plans and specifications for the East Amole Surge Pond are due to be completed in the next three weeks, and so it is ready to bid. The project will excavate approximately 900,000 cubic yards of material, construct an emergency spillway, install a 96-inch pipe and construct an eight foot embankment along I-40. Bernalillo County and AMAFCA have entered into an agreement that allows excess fill to be placed on the 9 Mile Hill Landfill to address grading deficiencies, for which Bernalillo County will pay AMAFCA \$85,000.

Mr. Lovato stated that the current Engineer's Estimate of the cost of construction is \$3,800,000 plus New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax. Construction is expected to be completed in the June 2010-December 2010 time period.

He requested authorization to advertise for construction bids for the East Amole Surge Pond. Advertisement will begin about April 19, with bid opening on May 6.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board authorized the Executive Engineer to advertise for construction bids for the East Amole Surge Pond. Director Hernandez seconded the motion.

Answering a question from Chair Saiers, Mr. Lovato noted that it will not be a problem to construct the surge pond during "storm season." The capacity will not be fully needed until the watershed is in a developed condition. The 36 inch outlet pipe is already in place as a part of the NMDOT project. The reservoir area can be dug, and then connected to the pipe.



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The motion passed (4-0).

18. North Diversion Channel Storm Water Quality Recon Study – Briefing by Stephanie Moore, Daniel B. Stephens & Associates

Kevin Daggett, AMAFCA Storm Water Quality Engineer, introduced Stephanie Moore of Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, and Brad Sumrall of Bohannon Huston, Inc.

Ms. Moore stated that Daniel B. Stephens & Associates has been modeling hypothetical Best Management Practices (BMPs) for use in the North Diversion Channel. They have been looking for the best places to install water quality features further up the North Diversion Channel.

Brad Sumrall joined her to discuss the three best locations identified – the Hahn Arroyo, Grantline Channel, and Candelaria Channel. Possible treatment at the North Diversion Channel Outfall was also considered. The first level of treatment at these locations will be to remove floatable debris.

He stated that the first location is at the Candelaria Channel Outfall. The Candelaria Channel is a City facility. A detention area near the North Diversion Channel could be used to construct a water quality feature that would remove floatables. A vane in the Candelaria Channel would be used to divert low flows to the pond. A ported riser in the pond would return the water back to the Candelaria Channel. About 10% of the Candelaria Channel capacity would be treated, at a construction cost of about \$120,000. Ms. Moore noted that this cost is based on a very preliminary design concept.

Mr. Sumrall stated the second location, at the Grantline Channel, would be for a similar facility, except a 2x2' box and 2' high weir would divert low flows to an area where the freeway frontage road bar ditch currently discharges. The area can be converted to a pond that would be similar to the one at Candelaria. To handle the hydraulic jump, the walls of the channel will also be raised slightly in this area. Based on a preliminary design concept estimate, this option would cost about \$60,000 to construct.

He stated that there are two options at the Hahn Arroyo. Water could be diverted to an area just north of the Hahn Outfall to create a water quality pond (cost estimate \$100,000), or the water could be taken to the south and treated at the location of the City's Comanche Pond (cost estimate \$500,000). This second option would require avoiding or replacing existing sanitary sewer lines, but would result in more water storage and greater multi-use options for the site. Utilizing the Comanche Pond site would also allow treatment of North Diversion Channel trickle flows. The first option could close a City park about six to nine months.



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Mr. Sumrall stated that two options were also considered for treating water at the North Diversion Channel Outfall, near the Balloon Fiesta Park. One option was a very large swirl concentrator about 20-25 feet deep, which would drain by gravity, located to the west of the North Diversion Channel. This would cost about \$1.2 million. The second option involves a parallel channel to the east of the North Diversion Channel, with a trash and debris screen. A floating boom would divert floating debris to the parallel channel, where it would be trapped. The water would return to the channel. At about 200 feet by 20 feet, the parallel channel option would cost around \$700,000.

Mr. Daggett stated that staff proposes an amendment to the agreement with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates to design the Grantline and Candelaria BMPs. The design of these is included in the FY-2010 budget. Mr. Lovato stated that these two options were chosen to investigate further as they could be done most quickly. After the design is brought to a 35% level, a better cost estimate can be obtained.

Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board direct staff to negotiate an amendment to the agreement with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates to design the Grantline and Candelaria BMPs, to include design services and bidding phase services. Director Brown seconded the motion.

Responding to a question from Director Brown, Mr. Daggett stated that the Hahn Arroyo options are not included in this first phase due to the work that will be going on further up the Hahn Arroyo, which includes a substantial water quality element already. Mr. Kelly added that extensive coordination with the City will also be required. Mr. Lovato noted that AMAFCA is currently in negotiations with the City regarding the upstream work on the Hahn Arroyo.

The Board supported the use of the City's Comanche Pond for a water quality treatment facility, either for the Hahn Arroyo or the North Diversion Channel itself. Roland Penttila, of the City of Albuquerque Storm Drainage, also supported the diversion of the North Diversion Channel through a water quality facility at the Comanche Pond, with the Hahn Arroyo being treated via option one. He stated the City would re-prioritize funds to support this option. After discussion, it was determined the Hahn Arroyo would not need the full capacity of the Comanche Pond.

After extensive discussion, the motion passed (4-0).

The Board also supported continuing investigation of the two Hahn Arroyo options, the option of diverting trickle flows from the North Diversion Channel into the Comanche Pond for treatment, and the "parallel channel" option alongside the North Diversion Channel in the Balloon Fiesta Park area. Further information on these options will be brought before the Board later. AMAFCA will seek having the City help fund some of these options.

Director Hernandez thanked Stephanie Moore and Roland Penttila for their efforts in helping to put together the recent Green Infrastructure/Low Impact Development Conference in



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Albuquerque. Ms. Moore stated that Brad Sumrall was also involved in planning the conference, as was Kevin Daggett, AMAFCA's Storm Water Quality Engineer. Director Hernandez expressed his appreciation for the information shared in this conference.

Chair Saiers called a brief recess at 11:46 a.m., resuming the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

19. Sanchez Farm Tributary Storm Drains Project

a. Authorization to Advertise Request for Proposals for Engineering Design Services

Lynn Mazur, AMAFCA Development Review Engineer, stated that the Sanchez Farm Tributary Storm Drains Project would remove floodplain from numerous pockets of floodplain in the corridor between Goff and Sunset in the South Valley. Although construction would not begin until 2014, it is prudent to design the project now to deal with the utility coordination challenges.

Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board authorize the Executive Engineer to advertise the request for proposals for design engineering services for the Sanchez Farm Tributary Storm Drains Project. Director Brown seconded the motion.

Discussion followed. Responding to questions from the Board, Ms. Mazur stated that the design fee is budgeted in the FY 2010 budget at \$107,000. There currently are not any cooperative funding agreements in place. AMAFCA staff would like to design the project now, to see how much floodplain is removed by the project, and then determine funding sources for the drainage improvements.

Roger Paul, of the Bernalillo County Public Works Department, stated that the County is expecting to make improvements to Bridge and Sunset in about the 2014 timeframe, so the timing of this project works well for them.

The motion passed (4-0).

b. Consideration of *Cost Share Agreement to Provide Construction Funding for the Vista Del Rio Drainage Project*

Mr. Lovato acknowledged Roger Paul, Bernalillo County Public Works, and noted that the *Cost Share Agreement to Provide Construction Funding for the Vista Del Rio Drainage Project* had been through legal review by AMAFCA counsel, and was being reviewed by Bernalillo County counsel. The cost share agreement provides for construction funding of the Vista Del Rio Drainage Project. Bernalillo County is doing the design work and construction management for



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the project. AMAFCA's share is not to exceed \$1.5 million. If the construction cost exceeds that amount, the County would pay the rest. If it is less, the difference will be refunded to AMAFCA.

Mr. Paul stated that he appreciated the opportunity to cooperate with AMAFCA on this project.

Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board approve the *Cost Share Agreement to Provide Construction Funding for the Vista Del Rio Storm Drainage Project*, between AMAFCA and Bernalillo County, substantially the same as attached. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

20. AMAFCA 2010 Board Election Resolution – Review of Draft Resolution

Ms. Jeffries stated that the draft 2010 Board Election Resolution was the same as had been presented to the Board at the last meeting, with the dates filled in and the Election Schedule as an attachment to the resolution, as the Board had directed. Staff is currently verifying precinct boundaries with Bernalillo County.

Brief discussion followed regarding the drawing for ballot position and number of petition signatures required. Mr. Rael stated that the number of petition signatures required was set by AMAFCA's enabling legislation.

Director Hernandez noted that, due to the 2010 Census, AMAFCA will redistrict next year.

Consensus of the Board was support of the resolution as presented. It will be brought to the Board for adoption next month.

Chair Saiers called a recess at 12:08 p.m. The meeting resumed at 12:13 p.m. Marcus Rael was excused from the remainder of the meeting due to a prior commitment.

21. Field Highlights

a. Construction Report

The memo from Kurt Wagener, AMAFCA Field Engineer, contained a summary of current construction projects. There were no questions.

b. Field Report

Mr. Wagener presented a slide show of current projects, including the office expansion and the Calabacillas Arroyo Informational Sign Unveiling, answering several questions from the Board.



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c. GIS Progress Demo

Kevin Troutman, GIS Technician, introduced Joseph Jaramillo and Robert Royall of AMEC, the developers of the application.

Mr. Troutman demonstrated the latest version of AMAFCA's Interactive Maintenance Map Application, which now has a new interface, printing capability, and the capability to email maintenance requests directly from the map application. There is also a "help" video showing how to use the application. The application will be demonstrated at the ESRI User's Conference in San Diego in July. It is currently hosted on an AMEC site. When it is brought in-house next year, our internet service can be scaled up to accommodate the needed capacity.

He noted that AMAFCA is a leader in using this technology in this way. The interactive web application will have a world-wide audience at the conference in July. Currently the application is about 95% finished. When complete, expected to be about early May, there will be a public/media event to showcase the application and to request the public's assistance to tell us about items in the arroyo which can become a problem when it rains.

Col. Richard Leonard (Ret.), formerly of AMAFCA, asked if City data was shared in this application. Mr. Troutman stated that data-sharing is by CD at this point, but further real-time data sharing will be possible in the future. Responding to a comment from Director Hernandez, Mr. Troutman stated that, in the future, an application like this could be used to forward various types of maintenance requests to the appropriate agency, rather than sending everything to AMAFCA.

Roger Paul, of Bernalillo County Public Works, stated that Bernalillo County has been talking with the City about tying into their 311 system. This type of application could be used in a future regional system.

22. AMAFCA FY 2011 Budget

a. Surplus Property Report

Loren Hines, AMAFCA Real Estate Manager, presented the Surplus Property Report, giving the status of several leases and two parcels which are being evaluated for future lease potential. The anticipated income from the lease parcels has been included in Operating Fund revenue for FY-2011. Four potential surplus properties were brought forward from last year's report, and two additional potential surplus parcels north and south of Eagle Rock, just west of Wyoming, were new to the report. The values of these potential surplus properties have dropped in the past year due to the depression in the real estate market.



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Discussion followed. The consensus of the Board was that it would be prudent to hold onto the properties at least until the real estate market recovered. Director Brown noted that AMAFCA could easily realize twice the amount if it is sold after the real estate market recovers.

Responding to a question from Chair Saiers, Mr. Hines stated that AMAFCA has been receiving about \$5,000 a year in movie lease revenues.

b. AMAFCA Equipment and Fleet Evaluation

Mr. Wagener presented the Equipment and Fleet Evaluation. He stated that no equipment was planned to be replaced this year. Staff planned to sell unit 205, a dump truck, at auction after the new tandem axle dump truck is received. Discussion followed. As there is not much of a market for used construction equipment at this time, the Board directed him to keep unit 205 as a backup until used construction equipment values improve.

He also stated that the compact track loader has proved such a useful piece of equipment that he would like to acquire another along with a number of implements, at an estimated cost of \$75,000, and requested that this purchase be included in the FY-2011 Operating Fund Budget. After brief discussion, consensus of the Board was to support inclusion of this purchase in the budget.

c. FY-2011 Revenue Projections

Ms. Jeffries introduced Loretta Brush and Kevin Powers, of RBC Capital Markets, AMAFCA's Financial Advisors.

Ms. Brush stated that, because of the controversy and court decisions pending regarding the "tax lightening" issue, they recommend using a 0% growth rate in revenue projections for 2011 for budgeting purposes.

Mr. Powers stated that preliminary assessor's values are due in June 2010, and court decisions will also be made about that time. Changes might also happen in the January 2011 legislature. RBC Capital Markets will have a better handle on the preliminary growth estimate for 2011 in June 2011, but using a 0% growth rate is a conservative approach for now. They will continue to monitor the situation and notify AMAFCA immediately if future projections change.

Discussion followed. The Board supported this conservative approach for revenue projections.



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d. Draft FY-2011 Operating Fund Budget

Ms. Jeffries stated that the draft FY-2011 Operating Fund Budget is flat over last year. Staff proposes that two infrequent and irregular payroll expenses be paid from the Contingency Fund: the cash out of the retiring Executive Engineer's accrued sick leave, and expenses for a three month overlap/transition period with the new Executive Engineer. With Mr. Lovato's assistance, she explained each of the differences between last year's budget and this year's budget. The second draft of the budget will be brought to the Board in April, for adoption in May.

Discussion followed. Chair Saiers reminded Ms. Jeffries to not include the sale of the dump truck in the budgeted revenues.

e. Draft FY-2011 Contingency Fund Budget

Ms. Jeffries reviewed the draft FY-2011 Contingency Fund Budget, including expenses related to the retirement of the Executive Engineer and transition period, and \$500,000 in Agency and Area-Wide Maintenance Contract expenses. The second draft will be brought to the Board at the April meeting, for adoption in May. The Board did not make any changes to the draft budget.

f. Draft FY-2011 Construction Fund Budget

Mr. Lovato presented the draft FY-2011 Construction Fund Budget in two versions: one for if the bond authorization election fails, and one for if it passes. He noted that if the bond fails, AMAFCA will need to finish projects that are under contract already, and continue to plan for future construction assuming the next bond passes.

He gave an overview of the two versions of the budget. The Board did not make any changes to the draft budgets.

23. Unfinished Business

a. Don Felipe Dam and Raymac Dam Watershed DMP Public Meeting

Mr. Lovato stated that Ms. Mazur had left to attend a meeting with FEMA. He stated the Don Felipe Dam and Raymac Dam Watershed DMP Public Meeting had gone well. The meeting was moved to the school plaza at the last minute due to the school custodian failing to unlock the building. Directors Hernandez and Lyon were in attendance.

Chair Saiers recommended that, in the future, a letter or postcard be sent to each address, with understandable language regarding the subject of the meeting, rather than a newspaper



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advertisement. Director Hernandez also suggested providing the neighborhood associations in the South Valley with flyers for their membership.

Chair Saiers also suggested that AMAFCA approach the schools with ways to have more student involvement to engage the children in water issues. In addition to the emphasis on water quality and what is going into the Rio Grande, as suggested by Mr. Kelly, Chair Saiers suggested that teachers be encouraged to use the AMAFCA Interactive Map Application as a tool in geography studies, and so on.

b. Update on West Levee Project LOMR

Mr. Lovato stated that the Albuquerque West Levee LOMR had been sent to FEMA Region 6, and was being processed.

24. New Business

Mr. Kelly stated that a meeting was scheduled for March 30 with the Environment Department and local stormwater managers. Issues have arisen regarding PCBs in the Rio Grande just downstream of the North Diversion Channel Outfall. New detection methods are detecting small amounts of PCBs that have not been detected in the past twenty years of AMAFCA testing. The budget includes \$10,000 for further testing to try to pinpoint the problem.

He stated that the new samples may be contaminated with sediment, depending on the testing method. The question is whether the PCBs are in the stormwater or in the river sediment.

Due to a prior commitment, Director Lyon left the meeting at 2:00 p.m., during discussion of this agenda item.

25. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Saiers adjourned the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

Ronald D. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer 4/22/10

Recorded by Pam Woodruff, Secretary to the Executive Engineer