

# **Meeting Minutes Bisbee, Cochise County Hearing Regarding the San Pedro River in Cochise County March 12, 2003**

## **COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jay Brashear, Dolly Echeverria, Earl Eisenhower, James Henness, and Cecil Miller

## **COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT**

None.

## **STAFF PRESENT**

Curtis Jennings, George Mehnert, Tom Vogt.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Eisenhower called the meeting to order at approximately 9:12 a.m.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

All Commissioners present.

Following roll call Chair Eisenhower explained there will be two hearings today; first he will convene the small and minor watercourses hearing for Cochise County, recess that, and convene the major watercourse the San Pedro River hearing, hold that hearing to its conclusion, and then return and complete the small and minor watercourses hearing.

Chairman Eisenhower convened the small and minor watercourses hearing, recessed it, and convened the San Pedro River major watercourse hearing.

### **3. SANTA PEDRO RIVER WATERCOURSE HEARING (discussion and action).**

The following people appeared and spoke, or gave testimony, or asked questions: District 25 State Representative Jennifer Burns, V. Ottozawa-Chatupron, Mary Smallhouse, Susan Krentz, Amy Langenfeld, Jeanne Schwennsen, Daniel Moore, Vera Kornylak, Mark McGinnis, Wayne Klump

### **CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (comment sheets).**

(Pursuant to Attorney General Opinion No. 199-006 [R99-002]. Public Comment: Consideration and discussion of comments and complaints from the public. Those wishing to address the Commission need not request permission in advance. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.)

Chairman Eisenhower asked if there were any other questions or comments from anyone. There were none.

**Motion: To adjourn the hearing regarding the San Pedro River.**

Motion by: Jay Brashear                      Second by:        Jim Hennes                      Vote:    All aye

Chair returned to this agenda at approximately 11:00 a.m. regarding items 4 and 5:

**4. DETERMINATION REGARDING THE NAVIGABILITY OR NON-NAVIGABILITY OF THE MOHAVE COUNTY SMALL AND MINOR WATERCOURSES.** (discussion and action).

**A. Each party will be given ten minutes to present his or her position. No parties spoke.**

**Motion: That the small and minor watercourses in Mohave County are not navigable or susceptible to navigability.**

Motion by: Cecil Miller                      Second by:        Dolly Echeverria                      Vote:    All aye

**5. DETERMINATION REGARDING THE NAVIGABILITY OR NON-NAVIGABILITY OF THE LA PAZ COUNTY SMALL AND MINOR WATERCOURSES.** (discussion and action).

**A. Each party will be given ten minutes to present his or her position. No parties spoke.**

**Motion: That the small and minor watercourses in La Paz County are not navigable.**

Motion by: Jay Brashear                      Second by:        Jim Hennes                      Vote:    All aye

Chairman Eisenhower asked if there were any other questions or comments from anyone. The Commission Attorney discussed the next hearing; the Lower Salt, and the Attorney encouraged the State Land Department to update the report regarding the Lower Salt. The Chair indicated the he and the director will discuss this with the Land Department. Mr. Hennes discussed the Lower Salt hearing date as April 7, 2003.

**Motion: To adjourn session on San Pedro River.**

Motion by: Jim Hennes                      Second by:        Cecil Miller                      Vote:    All aye

Meeting ended at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**George Mehnert, Director**

**Date: March 14, 2003**