



Albuquerque Metropolitan Arroyo Flood Control Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Taylor called the Board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, April 23, 2026, at the AMAFCA office in Albuquerque, NM.

Directors present: Chair Elizabeth Newlin Taylor – at the AMAFCA building
Director Ronald R. Bohannon – at the AMAFCA building
Director Tim Eichenberg – at the AMAFCA building
Director Bruce M. Thomson – at the AMAFCA building
Director Orlando G. Martinez, Jr. – at the AMAFCA building –
arrived at 9:02 a.m.

Directors excused: None

Attorney present: Mailene Ramos, Rael & Anaya – at the AMAFCA building – left
the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

Others present via Zoom David Stoliker, Interim Executive Engineer
and / or in person: Staff
Other attendees on file at AMAFCA

A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Director Bohannon made a motion to approve the Agenda. Director Thomson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (4-0).

3. Meetings Scheduled

- a. May 28, 2026, 9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- b. June 25, 2026, 9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- c. July 23, 2026, 9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- d. August 27, 2026, 9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**

There were no changes to the above dates.

4. Items from the Floor / Public Comments

No items from the floor or public comments were received. Ms. Crystal Griego, AMAFCA Director of Administration, introduced Mr. Darnell Pollard, Jr., AMAFCA Office Administrator.

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Mr. Pollard briefed the Board on his past work experience. The Board welcomed Mr. Pollard to AMAFCA.

Director Orlando G. Martinez, Jr., arrived at 9:02 a.m.

Mr. David Stoliker, AMAFCA Interim Executive Engineer, introduced members of an Advisory Committee who will meet to rank the Executive Engineer applications. The members of the committee will review each applicant for technical expertise as well as the required leadership abilities. Committee members who were present were Messrs. Scott Verhines, Kevin Powers, and Chuck Easterling. All three gentleman briefed the Board on their background and thanked the Board for being allowed to participate in this endeavor. The remaining committee member not present was Mr. Howard Stone.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. March 26, 2026

Director Bohannon made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 26, 2026. Director Martinez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0).

b. April 08, 2026

Director Bohannon made a motion to approve the Minutes of April 08, 2026. Director Martinez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0).

6. Consent Agenda

Chair Taylor advised Agenda Items 6.a. and 6.b. were on the Consent Agenda, which was shared on the TV for all participants to view. Director Bohannon made a motion that the Board approve those items on the Consent Agenda. The motion approved the following:

- Balloon Fiesta Park Adjacent to the North Diversion Channel License – Third / Final Extension of the Balloon Fiesta Park License with the City of Albuquerque (CoA); and
- Financial Advisor Services – Second Extension of the Professional Services Agreement with RBC Capital Markets, LLC.

Director Thomson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0).

7. Legal

a. Status Report

Attorney Mailene Ramos summarized information provided in the memo. There were no questions regarding the Legal Status Report.

There was a brief discussion regarding whether AMAFCA will have a formal role in the Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) process; it is unknown at this time how the WQCC will

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impact AMAFCA; direct exhibits were already in and the rebuttal exhibits are due May 15, 2026 for the hearing in June; AMAFCA's legal counsel had offered an addendum referencing all AMAFCA work is covered by a permit; while the addendum has not been submitted, Attorney Kelsea Sona is working on it; and AMAFCA staff, specifically Mr. Patrick J. Chavez, is knowledgeable, and can be contacted by the Board and others for assistance.

8. Financial Matters

a. Financial Matters – Acceptance of Financial Information

Ms. Maria Zuniga, AMAFCA Director of Finance & Procurement, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. The presentation included Budget information for Fiscal Year 2026 such as General Fund Budget to Actual; Revenues; Expenditures; Cash & Investments; and Property Taxes.

Director Thomson made a motion that the Board accept the Financial Information. Director Martinez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0).

b. Other Matters

Ms. Maria Zuniga, AMAFCA Director of Finance & Procurement, summarized information provided in the memo and walked the Board through upcoming tasks within the ConceptBoard system. There was a brief discussion regarding the timeline and process for hiring an Assistant Director of Finance & Procurement.

9. AMAFCA FY2027 Budget

a. Personnel and Salary Committee Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) Recommendation for FY2027

Ms. Crystal Griego, AMAFCA Director of Administration, summarized information provided in the memo. The Cost-of-Living (COLA) calculation and CPI trends were reviewed. It was noted a COLA would offset the rising health insurance costs of 7.5% in Fiscal Year 2027. There were no questions.

Director Thomson made a motion to authorize a Cost-of-Living Adjustment of 2.5 percent to be given to AMAFCA staff in the FY2027 Budget. Director Bohannon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

b. FY-2027 Revenue Projections and Budget All Funds

Ms. Maria Zuniga, AMAFCA Director of Finance & Procurement, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included a timeline; five-year forecast updated by the Finance Committee; five-year forecast – closing the gap; property tax revenue forecast; merit was adjusted to three percent; and overall deficit in the budget reduced by roughly \$500k.

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The Board asked for a workshop to cover some of the budget items that have been discussed. The workshop is scheduled for Friday, May 15, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. Director Bohannon offered to host the meeting in the Tierra West office at 5571 Midway Pl NE in Albuquerque.

c. Budget Resolution 2026-06

Ms. Maria Zuniga, AMAFCA Director of Finance & Procurement, advised the Budget follows the state's required format. There were no questions.

Director Eichenberg made a motion that the Board approve and adopt Resolution 2026-06, Fiscal Year 2027 Budget, and authorize the Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to execute the same on behalf of AMAFCA. Director Martinez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0) on a roll call vote.

d. Budget Policy Resolution 2026-07

Ms. Maria Zuniga, AMAFCA Director of Finance & Procurement, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. Ms. Zuniga advised there were small changes suggested by the Finance Committee. There were no questions.

Director Thomson made a motion that the Board approve and adopt Resolution 2026-07, Budget Policy on Recurring Revenues, Cash Use, and Structural Balance, and authorize the Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to execute the same on behalf of AMAFCA. Director Eichenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0) on a roll call vote.

e. Resolution 2026-08, Ad Valorem Tax Levy for Tax Year 2026 General Operating Fund

Ms. Maria Zuniga, AMAFCA Director of Finance & Procurement, summarized information provided in the memo. There were no questions.

Director Thomson made a motion that the Board approve and adopt Resolution 2026-08, Ad Valorem Tax Levy for Tax Year 2026, Applicable to General Operating Fund, and authorize the Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to execute the same on behalf of AMAFCA. Director Eichenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0) on a roll call vote.

f. Resolution 2026-09, Ad Valorem Tax Levy for Tax Year 2026 Debt Service Fund

There was no discussion on this subject.

Director Thomson made a motion that the Board approve and adopt Resolution 2026-09, Ad Valorem Tax Levy for Tax Year 2026, Applicable to Debt Service Fund, and authorize the Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to execute the same on behalf of AMAFCA. Director Martinez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0) on a roll call vote.

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10. AMAFCA Bond Program

a. Resolution 2026-10, 2026 Bond Election

Ms. Maria Zuniga, AMAFCA Director of Finance & Procurement, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. There was a brief discussion on why the Bond amount had been increased; increased due to construction costs; an increase in the Bond Sale amount might not be liked by the public; AMAFCA needs to be diligent in getting the work out; an authorization is allowed but AMAFCA does not have to sell in future years; it is believed that the language says AMAFCA can sell less; the AMAFCA Bond committee is well versed in what is needed to get the word out about the importance of the Bonds; and the Board asked that that this item be included in the scheduled study session.

Director Thomson made a motion that the Board defer the adoption of Resolution 2026-10, 2026 Bond Election, until the May Regular Board meeting. Director Eichenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

11. AMAFCA Projects

a. Planning & Engineering Update

Ms. Nicole Friedt, AMAFCA Chief Engineer / Director of Planning & Engineering, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. One item that did not make the memo in time was the Corps of Engineers will issue a check for \$54,000 to close out some items from the Black Mesa Project. It appears the amount AMAFCA paid was an over match for a local sponsor.

b. Notification of On-Call Services Task Orders

Ms. Nicole Friedt, AMAFCA Chief Engineer / Director of Planning & Engineering, advised she was asked to recap the Executive Engineer's On-Call Services Task Orders since she manages the On-Calls; however, it is the Executive Engineer's report and there were no task orders written by the Executive Engineer under his authority.

c. FY 2027 Project Schedule – Draft FY 2027 AMAFCA Project Schedule

Ms. Nicole Friedt, AMAFCA Chief Engineer / Director of Planning & Engineering, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board.

d. Calabacillas Grade Control Structure 3a1, 3b1, & Bank Protection Project – Draft Subgrant Agreement with the State of New Mexico

Mr. Jared Romero, AMAFCA Drainage Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included the location; the known issues at the facility; the AMAFCA Board had asked that staff pursue alternative funding; AMAFCA applied for a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant for reimbursement of the cost of construction of the project; AMAFCA was required to

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complete an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the overall project to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act; the EA process was completed in late May 2025; AMAFCA received notice in March 2026 from the New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NMDHSEM) that FEMA had approved the Hazard Mitigation Grant funding; a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was issued; AMAFCA is expected to enter into a Subgrant Agreement (SGA) with NMDHSEM; grant was awarded in the amount of \$5,087,450.55 with a 75/25% share between FEMA as the Federal partner and AMAFCA as the local entity; the performance term of the SGA and grant ends May 14, 2028; the grant is a reimbursement-based cost share; AMAFCA will have to provide the total amount of funding up front and request reimbursements for eligible costs as they are incurred on a monthly or quarterly basis; AMAFCA is eligible for a reimbursement amount of \$3,815,587.91; the application was submitted in 2024, however, the most recent cost estimate for the Project is \$6,900,000.00 including NMGRT.

e. Corrales Main Canal & Piedras Marcadas Outlet Project – Selection Advisory Committee Recommendation

Ms. Vera Belaia, AMAFCA Project Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included the timeline; scores for the Selection Advisory Committee (SAC); HDR received the highest ranking; and the agreement will be ready for approval at the May Regular meeting. The Board reminded staff about the concern with more transparency.

f. Guac-Amole Dam Project – Selection Advisory Committee Recommendation

Ms. Nicole Friedt, AMAFCA Chief Engineer / Director of Planning & Engineering, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included the timeline; scores; the top two candidates resulted in a tie; interviews were conducted; AECOM Technical Services, Inc., received the highest ranking after the interviews were evaluated; and the agreement will be ready for approval at the May Regular meeting. Responding to a question from the Board, Ms. Friedt advised Ms. Paula Dodge-Kwan, AMAFCA Director of Operations & Maintenance, along with Planning & Engineering staff, sat on the SAC. It was noted that when there is a joint project, the applicable entity organization that would be part of the project would be invited to participate in the SAC.

g. Construction Report

Ms. Vera Belaia, AMAFCA Project Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo and answered a question from the Board.

12. Capital Improvement Planning

a. Review of Resolution 2026-11, FY2028-2032 AMAFCA Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP)

Ms. Paula Dodge-Kwan, AMAFCA Director of Operations & Maintenance, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included the need to submit the ICIP prior to the Board meeting due to the dates moving from a

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May submission to a deadline of April 22, 2026; staff submitted the ICIP in order to meet the new deadline; there will be no change to the scope; AMAFCA can pull the request, if needed; due to limited space in the AMAFCA yard a blade is not warranted; however, a rough haul truck might fit into the bay area in the yard; and the Early Warning System is listed but no amount due to not needing at this time. The Board agreed that it was good that AMAFCA was aware of the submission deadline and took care of getting the ICIP submitted.

Director Bohannon made a motion that the Board approve and adopt Resolution 2026-11, Resolution 2024-14, FY 2026 – 2030 AMAFCA Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP), and authorize the Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to execute the same on behalf of AMAFCA. Director Thomson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0) on a roll call vote.

13. Facilities, Operations & Maintenance Update

a. AMAFCA Operations Update

Ms. Paula Dodge-Kwan, AMAFCA Director of Operations & Maintenance, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. New signs, thanks to capital outlay funds of \$25K, are being placed where needed, including at the Hahn Arroyo; per Board request. There was a brief discussion regarding the CoA trails that are multi-use; the Board asked that signs be posted at multi-use trails advising the public of the multi-use allowance; and Ms. Dodge-Kwan advised electric bikes with pedal assist are allowed on CoA trails.

b. Stormwater Quality – Water Quality Trends

Mr. Patrick J. Chavez, AMAFCA Storm Water Quality Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included AMAFCA's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) monitoring programs; temperature monitoring and trends; compliance monitoring for E. coli under the approved Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL); watershed E. coli map; sanitary sewer overflows; mercury monitoring; gross alpha combined results from AMAFCA and Compliance Monitoring Cooperative (CMC) sampling; Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) concentration; and key water quality takeaways. A brief discussion took place regarding AMAFCA Board and staff being able to work on WQCC issues; the possibility of Messrs. Chavez and Stoliker, along with AMAFCA Legal Counsel, meeting with the WQCC and inviting Mr. David Gatterman with SSCAFCA. Mr. Chavez advised Mr. Gatterman had provided some important information that was on point, but he had made it clear he did not want to get involved at that level.

c. AMAFCA IPM Manual

Mr. Patrick J. Chavez, AMAFCA Storm Water Quality Engineer, introduced Ms. Ondrea Hummel, Senior Ecologist and Office Manager at Tetra Tech. Ms. Hummel advised Mr. Jeremy Vandenberg with Tetra Tech was in the audience and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included the previous existing 2020 Integrated Pest Management (IPM) did not contain all components; goal to update with changing environment conditions; affect facility management for vegetation and terrestrial pests; complies with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; under licensure with the New Mexico Department of Agriculture; have

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proper chemical storage and comply with application requirements; comply with the Clean Water Act and Endangered Species Act; coordination with adjacent MS4 land management agencies; referenced existing pest conditions and facility types and treatments; reviewed recommendations for preventative measures and improvements to current control methods; future monitoring, scheduling, and record keeping; and suggested providing a public notification when AMAFCA intends to treat and manage vegetative and non-vegetative pests within and surrounding AMAFCA facilities.

d. Field Highlights

Mr. Esqui Padilla, AMAFCA Engineering Technician, provided a report on various projects and events.

14. Executive Engineer's Update

Mr. David Stoliker, AMAFCA Interim Executive Engineer, provided a recap highlighting significant activities from the current month and answered questions from the Board. Part of the presentation included Finance/Budget, Operations & Maintenance, Engineering & Planning, Administration items; staff is working well; and a field trip for the Board will be planned, most likely at Swinburne Dam.

15. Executive Session (closed)

Attorney Ramos left the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

a. Limited Personnel Matters (§ 10-15-1(H)(2))

Chair Taylor advised Item **15.a.** was a Closed Session agenda item. The meeting was at the AMAFCA office with all five Directors in attendance. Director Thomson made a motion that the meeting be closed, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, § 10-15-1 NMSA 1978, Subsection H, to preserve the confidentiality of the information to be discussed, and as further described in "*The Open Meetings Act, A Compliance Guide for New Mexico Public Officials and Citizens*," eighth edition, 2015, to discuss Limited Personnel Matters (§ 10-15-1(H)(2)). Director Eichenberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0) on a roll call vote. Ms. Griego and Mr. Stoliker were present during a portion of the closed session.

Chair Taylor closed the meeting at 12:07 p.m. Chair Taylor asked for a motion to re-open the meeting at 1:18 p.m. Director Thomson made a motion that the meeting be re-opened. Director Bohannan seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0) on a roll call vote. Director Thomson stated only Limited Personnel Matters were discussed in closed session and no decisions were made.

16. Unfinished Business

None

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17. New Business

Director Bohannon advised that the Aviation Department is looking at a FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant for the Tijeras Arroyo for \$50,000,00; AMAFCA Planning and Engineering staff will be consulted; Mr. Kelly Ward, formerly with Village of Los Ranchos, is now working at the CoA Aviation Department; and CoA Aviation had purchased a majority of the Tijeras Arroyo from the AMAFCA facility up past University Blvd. and up to university land.

18. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Taylor adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Tim Eichenberg, Asst. Secretary – Treasurer, 5/28/2026

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