

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #5
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
June 8, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: David Schmittle, President; George Whitten, Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer; Kit Caldon, Manager; Dale Gerstberger, Manager; and, Peggy Godfrey, Ex-Officio Member.

Absent: Corey Hill, Manager.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins, P.C.; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Linda Ramirez, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Wylie Keller, Water Resource Specialist; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Deb Sarason, David Hofmann, CJ Weis, Warren Collins, Anthony Lobato, Rebie Hazard.

Meeting Called to Order

President Schmittle called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

President Schmittle asked for any changes, additions or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Kit Caldon to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by George Whitten and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Schmittle asked for public comment. There were none.

Executive Session-to Receive Legal Advice Concerning the Potential Purchase of Real Property

President Schmittle asked for a motion to then enter into executive session to receive legal advice concerning the potential purchase of real property. A motion was made by Kit Caldon to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by George Whitten and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ampe stated the Board was entering into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(a) to discuss a potential purchase of real property. The Board would take no formal action or position during the executive session.

Possible Action from Executive Session

Pete Ampe stated the Board was in executive session and had voted to come out. Discussion was related to a potential property purchase.

A motion was made by George Whitten to direct staff and consultants to draw up the necessary documents and present a formal lease offer to Mr. John Baxter in the amount of \$25,000.00 to put in a well on his property for one year with the option to purchase that same land for \$100,000.00. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon and unanimously approved.

A motion was made Kit Caldon to direct staff to put together a bid package to drill a well, extend power if necessary and install a pump and pipeline from the well, advertise as need and return with the bids to the Board for evaluation in the near future. The motion was seconded by George Whitten and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by George Whitten to direct staff to apply for a well permit and any other legal documents with DWR to move forward on the project. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by George Whitten to lease a quarter from North Star Farm for \$25,000.00 for one year. The motion was seconded by Dale Gerstberger, the motion passed. Kit Caldon recused himself and did not vote on the motion.

CJ Weis reported on the Tarbell transmountain water. Discussion was held on how the return flows from the transmountain water would benefit the Subdistrict and the need to keep conversations going with owners of the Tarbell water in the future.

Direction for Staff

President Schmittel asked for direction for staff. Staff was directed to contact Xcel Energy to see where they will place the direct line for the pump and if there is a cost and include it in the bid packet. Staff was also directed to continue to move forward with the pipeline and research additional monitoring on Saguache Creek.

New Business

President Schmittel asked for new business. There was none

Next Meeting

A special meeting was scheduled for June 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

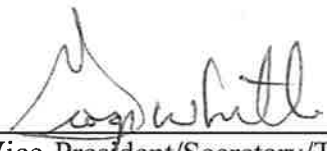
The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2021.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.



President



Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer