

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #6
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
April 14, 2021, at 8:00 a.m.
By Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: Tyler Faucette, President; Virgil Valdez, Vice-President; Ronald Reinhardt, Secretary/Treasurer; Kenneth Reynolds, Manager; Gerald Faucette, Manager; Rodney Reinhardt, Manager; Peter Clark, Manager; Mario Curto, Manager; Robert Middlemist, Manager; Ted Heersink, Manager; and, Armando Valdez, Ex-Officio Member.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins, P.C.; Amber Pacheco, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant

Guests: Deb Sarason, Monica McCafferty, Virginia Christiansen.

Meeting Called to Order

President Faucette called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

President Faucette asked for changes, amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Faucette asked for public comment. There were none.

Consideration and Possible Action on Participation Contracts

President Faucette asked for consideration and possible action on participation contracts. Amber Pacheco reported Alfonso Vigil requested to include three (3) inactive wells into the Subdistrict through a Participation Contract. Discussion was held on Mr. Vigil paying back fees.

A motion was made to approve the inclusion of the inactive wells included in the Alfonso Vigil Participation Contract with back payments. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Ms. Pacheco reported Robert Whiteman requested to include one irrigation well in the Subdistrict. The well has been inactive but has the possibility to become active in the irrigation season.

A motion was made to approve the inclusion of the inactive well included in the Robert Whiteman Participation Contract for one year with back payments. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Ms. Pacheco explained Virgil Valdez's situation surrounding his pending SWSP and the required conditions set by the state in the Annual Replacement Plan.

A motion was made to approve the Virgil Valdez Participation Contract. The motion was seconded. Virgil Valdez abstained. The motion passed unanimously with the remaining Board Members.

Ms. Pacheco presented the Robert and Sharon Holman Participation Contract request. She highlighted the fact that they were given the opportunity to petition into the Subdistrict. Ms. Pacheco reported they have been actively irrigating with a sprinkler and provided the average pumping. Discussion was held on setting precedent and sticking to the rules of the Subdistrict.

A motion was made to approve the Robert and Sharon Holman Participation Contract including all back fees plus an additional 10% late fee. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Approval of the 2021 Annual Replacement Plan

President Faucette thanked Amber Pacheco for her hard work and asked for approval of the 2021 Annual Replacement Plan.

- **Board Discussion**

Ms. Pacheco provided a summary of the key elements of the Annual Replacement Plan. She highlighted the forecast on the Rio Grande River, the projected groundwater withdrawals,

projected net groundwater consumptive use and total injurious depletions to the Rio Grande River, Conejos River and Alamosa River. She also highlighted the total post-plan depletions. An update was given on Russell Lakes. Discussion was held on decreased stream flows. Ms. Pacheco highlighted the replacement sources on the Conejos River, Rio Grande River and Alamosa River. Discussion was held on the counter-offer from Subdistrict No. 1 to sell a portion of their stored water for \$500.00 per acre-foot and the inability of this Subdistrict's budget to be able to sustain the amount. Ms. Pacheco highlighted the forbearance agreements the Subdistrict had secured.

A motion was made to not accept the counter-offer from Subdistrict No. 1 to sell a portion of their stored water for \$500.00 per acre foot and to leave the original offer open. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

- Public Comment
There were none.
- Recommendation to Board of Directors
A motion was made to approve the 2021 Annual Replacement Plan and to present Subdistrict No. 6's Annual Replacement Plan to the Board of Directors for approval. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Other Director Reports/Comments/Questions

President Faucette asked for other director reports/comments/questions. There were none.

New Business

President Faucette asked for new business. There was none.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting was scheduled for May 11, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.



President



Secretary/Treasurer