

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS  
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #5  
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
November 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.  
Rio Grande Water Conservation District Conference Room  
Alamosa, Colorado 81101**

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

**Staff and Consultants:** Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins, P.C.; Amber Pacheco, Program Manager; Chris Ivers, Deputy Program Manager; Clinton Phillips, District Engineer; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

**Guests:** Cody Redden, Tyrell Mares, Adam Robbins (Robbins Construction), Rebie Hazard.

**Meeting Called to Order**

President Schmittel called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of the Agenda**

President Schmittel asked for additions or a motion to approve the agenda. Pete Ampe requested the Board add New Business to the agenda after the executive session. A motion was made by Dale Gerstberger to approve the agenda with the addition. The motion was seconded by George Whitten and unanimously approved.

**Discussion on Potential Replacement Sources**

President Schmittel asked for a discussion on potential replacement sources. Amber Pacheco asked the Board if they had a chance to talk with anyone regarding Well Injury Payments. President Schmittel reported on a tour Tim Lovato took him on to show him the creek and some of the diversions. George Whitten voiced concern with the lack of participation from Subdistrict members and stated the Board needs to work harder to increase participation. Discussion was held on Well Injury Payment Agreements and potential sign ups. Rebie Hazard reported she has a conservation easement and has contacted CCALT and requested the Board meet one on one with all of the users with easements.

**Executive Session**

President Schmittel asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice concerning the purchase of real property. A motion was made by Dale Gerstberger 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. All discussion would relate to the acquisition of real property. The Board would take no formal position.

**Action on Executive Session Discussion**

Pete Ampe stated the Board was in executive session and had voted to come out. Discussion was related to receiving legal advice regarding the potential purchase of real property.

A motion was made by Dale Gerstberger to authorize Davis Engineering to: complete a survey on the proposed reservoir site; to look into the pricing of a test well, soil testing, and cost of building and lining a reservoir; and, work gathering information about what would be required from Colorado Department Transportation for the project. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon and unanimously approved.

**New Business**

President Schmittel asked for new business. Pete Ampe updated the Board on his conversation with Tim Davis regarding the RCPP Program. Peggy Godfrey asked if stream gages could be covered. Mr. Ampe stated he would check with Mr. Davis to see if installation of stream gages would be included in the RCPP Program. Ms. Pacheco asked the Board to forward her any new ideas they may come up with. Mr. Ampe updated the Board on the aquifer conservation easement meetings and the discussions being held.

**Next Meeting**

The next Special Meeting was scheduled for December 4, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

The Board asked Clinton Phillips to email any information he gathers to the Board for review prior to the meeting.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

  
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Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer