

**QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
May 7, 2024, 9:00 a.m.
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: Karla Shriver, President; Eric Hinton, Vice-President; Scot Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer; Gerald Ziegler, BOM; Mark Deacon, BOM; Harold Stoeber, BOM; and, Greg Higel, Ex-Officio.

Absent: Michael Schaefer, BOM.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins P.C.; Angelo Bellah, Program Manager; Amber Pacheco, Deputy General Manager; Kylie Gregg, Office Manager; Linda Ramirez, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; Taylor Chick, Program Manager; Crystal Benevidez, HCP Coordinator/Program Assistant; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: William Myers, David Hofmann, Charles Stillings, Ryan Morgan accompanied by an 8th grade student.

Meeting Called to Order

President Shriver called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

President Shriver asked for amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Eric Hinton to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Gerald Ziegler and was unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes

President Shriver asked for approval of the following minutes:

- February 9, 2024-Annual Meeting
- February 9, 2024-Executive Session
- March 6, 2024-Special Meeting
- March 6, 2024-Executive Session
- April 12, 2024-Special Meeting

A motion was made by Eric Hinton to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Scot Schaefer and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Shriver asked for public comment. There was none.

Board of Manager Terms

President Shriver asked for Board of Manager terms. Angelo Bellah reported on the expiring terms of Vice President Eric Hinton and Board of Manager Harold Stoeber. He reported receiving letters of interest for the At Large position currently held by Eric Hinton. Mr. Bellah described the voting process and results from the ballot. He stated the Board of Directors approved the reappointment of Eric Hinton and Harold Stoeber.

Attorney's Report

President Shriver asked for the Attorney's report. Pete Ampe updated the Board on the Navajo change case, the Dredge and Fill Bill, Subdistrict No. 1 trial and the SWAG trial.

Engineer's Report

President Shriver asked for the Engineer's report. Clinton Phillips presented a map of the unconfined aquifer storage study. He highlighted the change for April 2024, the change between April 2023 & 2024, the current aquifer level, current five (5) year average, and the acre feet needed to get to the -400,000 level. Mr. Phillips presented a snapshot of the study period and the overall study monthly change in the unconfined aquifer storage. He also presented a map of the confined aquifer wells being measured monthly by the District.

Program Manager's Report

President Shriver asked for the Program Manager's report.

- *Financial Report*

Angelo Bellah presented the financial report. He highlighted the expenses and costs covered by the District since formation, the reimbursements made and the remaining balance. Mr. Bellah presented the Balance Sheet. He highlighted the assets, liabilities & equity and the amount owed to Subdistrict No. 6. President Shriver suggested the payment to Subdistrict No. 6 be made in June after the majority of the income has

comes in. Mr. Bellah highlighted the deferred revenue, and total equity. Next, he presented the Profit & Loss Statement. He highlighted the total expenses, net ordinary income, and went over the water lease section.

A motion was made by Scot Schaefer to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Eric Hinton and unanimously approved.

- Update on 2024 Annual Replacement Plan

Angelo Bellah gave an update on forbearance agreements and water used during the 2024 irrigation season. Mr. Bellah reported on the Board of Directors approval of changing the annual meeting date. He also reported on the current reservoir balances, contracts for the 2025 Annual Replacement Plan (ARP), real property/water right purchases and gave an update on the SWSPs. Mr. Bellah presented a map of the water bottling facility and gave an update on the Twin Pines SWSP. Pete Ampe explained the process to amend the Rules and Regulations to change the date of the annual meeting. Mr. Bellah reported the purchase was completed on the Lariat Ditch shares, he highlighted the remedies for winter time depletions, and reported on the approval of the 2024 ARP.

Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice Regarding Negotiations for the Lease/Purchase of Real Property

President Shriver asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler at 9:38 a.m. to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ampe stated the Board was entering into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(a) to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. The Board would take no formal action or position during the executive session.

Possible Action from Executive Session

President Shriver asked for possible action from Executive Session. A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to instruct staff to continue negotiations for the potential acquisition of an interest of real property. The motion was seconded by Scott Schaefer and unanimously approved.

New Business

President Shriver asked for new business. There was none.


Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for August 6, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.


Adjournment

A motion was made by Scot Schaefer to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.



President



Secretary/Treasurer