SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #4 OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

September 30, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. By Zoom Teleconference

<u>Present</u> David Frees, President; Pete Stagner, Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer; Richard Blumenhein, Manager; Jan Waye, Manager; and Peggy Godfrey, Ex-Officio Member.

<u>Staff and Consultants:</u> Pete Ampe, Hill and Robbins, P.C.; Cleave Simpson, General Manager; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; Amber Pacheco, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Michael Carson, Data Base Administrator; and April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Jeremy Uhlenbrock, John Gerstle, Patrick Shea, Deb Sarason, and David Hofmann.

Meeting Called to Order

President Frees called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda

President Frees asked for amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Pete Stagner to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Jan Waye and unanimously approved.

Executive Session

President Frees asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice concerning the potential purchase of real property. A motion was made by Richard Blumenhein to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Jan Waye and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ampe stated the Board was entering into executive session to discuss a potential real property purchase. The Board would take no formal action or 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 potential property purchases.

Review and Possible Approval of the Subdistrict No. 4 2021 Budget

President Frees asked for the review and possible approval of the Subdistrict No. 4 2021 budget. Mr. Ivers presented the 2021 budget and highlighted the changes made since the last meeting. He provided the Board with an update on how many Well Injury Payment agreements he has received and explained how they affect the budget. Mr. Ivers highlighted the total administrative fee and the total groundwater withdrawal fee for both a dry year and a wet year. He also provided the deadline for making changes to the preliminary budget. Richard Blumenhein announced he would be stepping down from the Board of Managers. David Hofmann voiced his concern regarding the contingency fee and asked for a discussion on the split of the groundwater fee. Mr. Ivers reported Jeremy Uhlenbrock would be representing Richard Blumenhein on the Board going forward. Peggy Godfrey provided the number of contracts the Subdistrict may expect to receive. Mr. Ivers provided the total proposed amount for the Admin fee, groundwater withdrawal fee, inclusion well fee, total proposed revenue, total administration costs and the total professional costs. Mr. Ivers reported the Subdistrict may not charge a fee to those contracting into the Subdistrict that did not have the opportunity to petition in during formation.

A motion was made by Pete Stagner to adopt the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Dick Blumenhein and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Frees asked for public comment. David Hofmann asked how the Subdistrict will get wet water if Well Injury Payments will not cover. Chris Ivers explained the backup plan.

New Business

President Frees asked for new business. Chris Ivers provided an update on Richard Blumenhein stepping down from the Board of Managers and appointing Jeremy Uhlenbrock to represent him. President Frees thanked Mr. Blumenhein for his time and service to the Board of Managers. David Hofmann highlighted the Division of Water Resources electronic reporting process, Deb Sarason added that the new process is statewide. Discussion was held on new contracts and Well Injury Payment agreements and when they are due.

Next Meeting

The next special meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., the annual meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Jan Waye to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Pete Stagner and unanimously approved

The meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

President

Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer