

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #5
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
March 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
By Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: David Schmittel, 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; Allen Davey, Davis Engineering; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Steve Keller, John Gerstle, Daryl Dinkla, Rebie Hazard, Willie Myers, Cody Redden, William Halls, Steve Lewerenz, Warren Collins, Tim Lovato, and Tom McCracken.

Meeting Called to Order

President Schmittel called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda

President Schmittel asked if anyone was opposed to approval of the agenda as presented, there was no opposition, the agenda was approved as presented.

Groundwater withdrawal reduction ideas and discussion

President Schmittel asked for groundwater withdrawal reduction ideas discussion. Chris Ivers highlighted an idea of 30% groundwater pumping reduction in exchange for WIP agreements.

2021 Stream Remedies Discussion

President Schmittel asked for the 2021 stream remedies discussion item be discussed after executive session.

CWCB Loan Update

President Schmittel asked for the CWCB loan update. Chris Ivers reported Heather Dutton and the State Engineer Kevin Rein spoke in support of the Board's efforts and the CWCB loan was approved. Daryl Dinkla commented on the loan amount to build the pipeline and reported on his interest to possibly sell or lease all or a portion of the well water on the Frontier Trout Ranch. Mr. Dinkla provided the amount per acre foot he would be selling the water for.

Executive Session

President Schmittel 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 Dale Gerstberger to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon 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

President Schmittel asked for possible action from executive session. A motion was made by George Whitten to instruct staff to provide a counter proposal to Mr. Fox for a one-year lease in the amount of \$150,000 with up to four (4) days to respond. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon and unanimously approved.

Direction for Staff

President Schmittel asked for direction for staff. Chris Ivers reported he had received direction and knew how to proceed.

New Business

President Schmittel asked for any other new business and continued discussion regarding groundwater withdrawal reduction ideas. Allen Davey reported on his idea to have a reduction of pumping and resuming measurement of wells measured as part of the AWDI case in order to see if the aquifer shows evidence of recovery.

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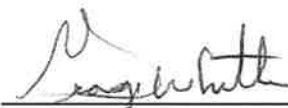
A special meeting was scheduled for March 18, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. The annual meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2021.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.



President



Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer