

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #5
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
May 15, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.
By Zoom Only**

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

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins, P.C.; Cleave Simpson, General Manager; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Michael Carson, Data Base Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: David Hofmann, Daryl Achenson, Tony Widhelm, Tyrell Mares, Rebie Hazard, Tim Lobato, Paul Maklin, and Deb Sarason.

Meeting Called to Order

President Schmittle called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda

President Schmittle asked for additions or a motion to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by George Whitten to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon and unanimously approved.

Executive Session

President Schmittle asked for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss potential real property purchases. A motion was made by George Whitten to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Cory Hill and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ampe stated the Board was entering into executive session to discuss potential real property purchases. 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.

Consider Proposal from Wright Water Engineers to Appraise Property

President Schmittle asked for the consideration of a proposal from Wright Water Engineers to appraise property.

A motion was made by George Whitten to accept the proposal from Wright Water Engineers to perform an appraisal. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon and unanimously approved.

Discussion was held regarding how long it would take to get the appraisal back and the time frame on getting the test well drilled. Chris Ivers stated he would report back to the Board on the results of the test well once it is completed.

San Luis Creek Injurious Depletions

President Schmittle asked for a discussion regarding the San Luis Creek injurious depletions. Chris Ivers reported on the injury the Subdistrict causes to the San Luis Creek and asked the Board how they wanted to proceed with Well Injury Payment contracts. Pete Ampe highlighted the benefits of using a joint Well Injury Payment contract. Mr. Ivers was directed to send a letter to the San Luis Creek water users conveying the Subdistrict Board agrees to the joint WIP contracts. Discussion was held on the payment amount as well as the bonus payment. Mr. Ivers reported they had not received any WIP contracts on the Saguache Creek and Mr. Ampe reported that once the Rio Grande Water Conservation District Board approves the Plan of Water Management, the Subdistrict would need to push for WIP sign ups. Mr. Ivers highlighted incentive payments and a discussion was held on the need to have a wet water solution if the Subdistrict fails to receive WIP contracts.

Direction for Staff

President Schmittel asked for direction for staff. The Board directed Chris Ivers to send letters to the Saguache Creek Water users explaining Well Injury Payments. Peggy Godfrey questioned the funding of a monitoring well. Mr. Ivers reported working with Cleave Simpson on funding the monitoring well. Discussion was held on the possibility of building a pipeline along highway 285 and the costs and requirements that would be associated. Mr. Ivers was directed to obtain estimates for the project. George Whitten questioned the Russel Lakes wells, Cleave Simpson stated it is being worked on by the Bureau of Reclamation.

Next Meeting

President Schmittel asked for the next meeting. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

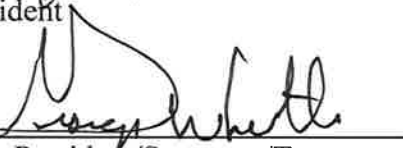
Adjournment

A motion was made by George Whitten to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Kit Caldon and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.



President



Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer