SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2 OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT September 3, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

Rio Grande Water Conservation District Conference Room
Alamosa, Colorado 81101

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

Excused: Greg Higel, Ex-Officio

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill and Robbins, P.C.; Amber Pacheco, Program Manager; Chris Ivers, Deputy Program Manager; Linda Ramirez, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Deb Sarason and Susan Storm.

Meeting Called to Order

President Shriver called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

President Shriver asked for amendments or for approval of the agenda. A motion was made by Michael Schaefer to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Eric Hinton and unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes

President Shriver asked for additions, corrections or a motion to approve the August 5, 2019, quarterly meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mark Deacon 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.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Preliminary 2020 Budget

President Shriver asked for a discussion regarding the preliminary 2020 budget. Amber Pacheco presented the draft budget. She reported she ran a preliminary response function based on an average year which shows about the same depletions for 2020 as were calculated for 2019. Ms. Pacheco reported 2018 was the first year the Subdistrict assessed fees and provided the total amount collected to-date. She also reported on the total number of individuals that have not paid. Ms. Pacheco presented the proposed administration expenses, operations expenses, and estimated ending fund balance. Discussion was held on storage costs, the Subdistrict's remedy portfolio and setting the 2019 fee amounts.

A motion was made by Eric Hinton to set the 2019 Pumping Fee at \$35 per acre-foot and the Admin Fee at \$392.31 per active well. The motion was seconded by Gerald Ziegler and unanimously approved. The preliminary budget will be sent to the District Board for inclusion in their preliminary 2020 budget by October 15th.

Executive Session

President Shriver asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice on a potential purchase of real property. A motion was made by Scot Schaefer to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Michael Schaefer 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 and would take no formal action while in executive session.

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. The Board gave staff direction in regards to the potential real estate opportunity.

New Business

President Shriver asked for new business and asked Mr. Ampe to provide an update on Subdistrict No. 1. Pete Ampe reported Subdistrict No. 1' Board of Managers voted to raise the Variable Fee to \$150 per acre-foot for 2020 pumping. He also reported on their status of their aquifer recovery. Mr. Ampe stated he expects some lawsuits may come up but Subdistrict No. 1 has been operating for six (6) years and still has one (1) million acre-feet to recover in the unconfined aquifer.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

President Shriver asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Scot Schaefer to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Gerald Ziegler and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Secretary/Treasurer