SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2 OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

April 13, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

Rio Grande Water Conservation District Conference Room Alamosa, CO 81101 And by Zoom/Teleconference

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

Absent: Scot Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins P.C.; Amber Pacheco, Program Manager; Wylie Keller, Water Resource Specialist; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: David Hofmann, Deb Sarason, Steve Keller, Roger Quintanilla, Mirko Kruse, Ed Redden, Dee Greeman and Chad Cochran.

Meeting Called to Order

President Shriver called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Public Comment

President Shriver asked for public comment. There were none.

Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice Concerning the Potential Lease/Purchase of Real Property

President Shriver asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice concerning the lease/purchase of real property. A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Mark Deacon 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 lease/purchase of real property. The Board would take no formal action or position during the executive session.

Discussion and Possible Action from Executive Session

President Shriver asked for discussion and possible action from Executive Session. A motion was made by Michael Schaefer to allow staff and legal counsel to work with land owners on the Rio Grande No. 1 ditch to file the SWSP on the contract. The motion was seconded by Eric Hinton and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mark Deacon to direct staff to work with an attorney and his client who is located in the Upper Rio Grande in Subdistrict No. 2 to continue conversations on possible water agreements. The motion was seconded by Gerald Zeigler and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Gerald Zeigler to direct staff to work with the Town of Saguache to use Subdistrict No. 2 as a backup as done in the past with the price at \$250 an acre-foot to cover the water and storage if the town does not get things finalized with Subdistrict No. 5. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

Approval of the 2022 Annual Replacement Plan

President Shriver asked for approval of the 2022 Annual Replacement Plan (ARP). Amber Pacheco presented a summary of the ARP. She highlighted the projected groundwater withdrawals, acre-feet of net groundwater consumptive use, impacts to the Rio Grande and post-plan depletions. Ms. Pacheco reported on the water sources the Subdistrict has in storage and the pending renewal of SWSP's. She highlighted the forbearance agreements and any changes in priorities. Ms. Pacheco explained the Closed Basin Project 60/40 agreement and how much Subdistrict No. 2 would be requesting.

A motion was made by Eric Hinton to approve the 2022 ARP as presented. The motion was seconded by Gerald Zeigler and unanimously approved.

<u>Other Director Reports/Comments/Questions</u>

President Shriver asked for other director reports/comments/questions. Mark Deacon reported on a permanent forbearance discussion he had with Clay Mitchell.

The quarterly meeting was scheduled for May 3, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Eric Hinton and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.