QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #6 OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

May 10, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM AND BY ZOOM/TELECONFERENCE

Present: Tyler Faucette, President; Virgil Valdez, Vice-President; Ronald Reinhardt, Secretary/Treasurer; Rodney Reinhardt, Manager; Gerald Faucette, Manager; Kenneth Reynolds, Manager; Austin Miller, Manager; Peter Clark, Manager; Robert Middlemist, Manager; and, Armando Valdez, Ex-Officio Member.

Absent: Mario Curto, Manager.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins, P.C.; Amber Pacheco, Deputy General Manager; Angelo Bellah, Program Manager; Taylor Chick, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Linda Ramirez, Program Assistant; Kylie Gregg, Office Manager; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Wylie Keller, Water Resource Specialist; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Sally Wier, Deb Sarason, Dusty Hicks.

Meeting Called to Order

President Faucette called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

President Faucette asked for any amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes

President Faucette asked for changes or a motion to approve the following minutes:

• February 15, 2023-Annual Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve the February 15, 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

• February 15, 2023-Executive Session Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve the February 15, 2023 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

• April 12, 2023-Special Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve the April 12, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

• April 12, 2023-Executive Session Minutes

A motion was made to approve the April 12, 2023 Executive Session Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved/

Public Comment

President Faucette asked for public comment. There was none.

Attorney's Report

President Faucette asked for the Attorney's report. Pete Ampe updated the Board on the approval of the Annual Replacement Plan (ARP) and SWSPs. He reported working with staff on the continued efforts to secure permanent water sources. Staff was thanked for their work on the ARPs.

Engineers Report-Clinton Phillips

President Faucette asked for the Engineers report. Clinton Phillips presented a list of wells in layer 3 and 4 being measured once per month by the State for their composite head study. He provided the baseline measurements and the average change in the model layers.

Program Manager Update

President Faucette asked for the Program Manager update. Rodney Reinhardt thanked Angelo Bellah for the emailed information prior to the meeting.

Financial Report

Angelo Bellah presented the Financial Report. He highlighted the formation costs, a summary of the total expenses paid by the District and the remaining amount due to the District. Mr. Bellah presented the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Statement. He highlighted the total assets, balance in the checking/savings accounts, accounts receivable, liabilities and the accounts payable. Mr. Bellah reported on a water lease, storage, forbearance expenses and provided the depletion acre foot amount on the Rio Grande.

<u>Update on Annual Replacement Plan Operations for 2023</u>

Angelo Bellah gave an update on the 2023 Annual Replacement Plan (ARP). He reported on its approval and submission of most of the forbearance agreements. Mr. Bellah highlighted the forbearance agreements not yet received and how many days the Subdistrict would be in forbearance. Amber Pacheco explained the situation with the Taos Valley water when it turned on and some of the options available to the Subdistrict in utilizing the water. Mr. Bellah provided the current reservoir balances and reported on the lack of production from the Closed Basin Project to cover the Subdistricts compact obligations. He highlighted the releases from the reservoirs and the contracts being worked on. Mr. Bellah provided an update on the SWSPs and other projects.

• <u>CREP-Board of Directors directed staff to address CREP with Subdistrict Board of Managers</u>
Angelo asked the Board if they had interest in a CREP program. President Faucette suggested holding a work session to discuss options and how to incorporate a CREP program.

Discussion on Subdistrict Replacement Water Options and Next Steps

President Faucette asked for the discussion on Subdistrict replacement water options and next steps. He highlighted the Subdistricts on going efforts to seek and purchase real property.

Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice Regarding Negotiations for the Lease/Purchase of Real Property

President Faucette asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. A motion was made to enter into executive session to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ampe stated the Board was entering into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4) to receive legal advice concerning the potential lease/purchase of real property and the Board would take no formal action or position during the executive session

Direction for Staff

President Faucette asked for direction for staff. Staff was directed to research the Coda Ditch and to set up a joint meeting with Subdistrict No. 2 Board of Managers to discuss potential purchases.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting was scheduled for August 1, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

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