

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #4
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
April 17, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.
RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM
AND ZOOM/TELECONFERENCE**

Present: David Frees, President; Pete Stagner, Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer; Jan Waye, Manager; Jeremy Uhlenbrock, Manager; Jeff Regenold, Manager; and Peggy Godfrey, Ex-Officio Member.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins P.C.; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant; and Michael Carson, Database Administrator.

Guests: Sally Weir, Dick Sparks, and, David Hofmann.

Meeting Called to Order

President Frees called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda

President Frees asked for amendments or a motion to approve the agenda as presented. A motion was made by Pete Stagner to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Jan Waye and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Frees asked for public comment. There was none.

Review and Approve the Planting of Three (3) Center Pivot Irrigated Fields to Drought Tolerant Species Bid Proposals

President Frees asked for review and approve the planting of three (3) center pivot irrigated fields to drought tolerant species bid proposals. Chris Ivers reported receiving a total of three (3) bids, two (2) from Board Members. David Frees stepped out of the chair and asked Jan Waye to direct the meeting. Mr. Ivers presented the bids, he highlighted the price per quarter for seeding, chopping, irrigation management and the total bid price of each of the three (3) bids. Discussion was held on the significant cost difference between the bids, if insurance would be a requirement and Colorado Open Lands and the Farm Committees role in overseeing the project. The Board also discussed the Subdistrict being responsible for repairs to the pivot when needed.

A motion was made by Jeremy Uhlenbrock to accept bid No. one (1) for a total price of \$10,400.00. The motion was seconded by Jeff Regenold. David Frees and Pete Stagner recused. the motion passed.

The meeting was turned back over to President Frees.

David Frees suggested putting together a set of benchmarks in the contract which if not met, another bid would be considered. Mr. Ivers announced Brady Stagner was the successful bidder.

Review and Approve the Application of One (1) or Two (2) Herbicide Treatments to Three (3) Center Pivot Irrigated Fields Bid Proposals

President Frees asked for review and approve the application of one (1) or two (2) herbicide treatments to three (3) center pivot irrigated fields bid proposals. Chris Ivers reported not receiving any bids for the application of herbicide treatment. Discussion was held on hiring a firm of the Subdistrict's choice. President Frees reported on Monte Vista Coop's license, and familiarity with the area and suggested the Subdistrict hire them. Other options were discussed, staff was directed to contact the Monte Vista Coop and DP Ag and proceed with the company with the best pricing and availability.

New Business

President Frees asked for new business. Jan Waye thanked Chris Ivers for the email on the funding decisions. Dick Sparks explained an invoice he sent Mr. Ivers. Mr. Ivers updated the Board on the CWCB funds, the Annual Replacement Plan and forbearance agreements that had not been returned. David Hofmann provided an update on the creek channel.

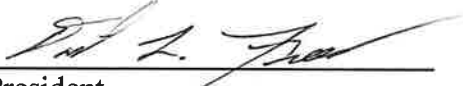
Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Jeff Regenold to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jan Waye and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m.



President



Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer