

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #1
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
April 24, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa CO 81101
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: Jake Burris, President; Clay Mitchell, Vice President; Sheldon Rockey, Secretary/Treasurer; Jamie Hart, BOM; Tony Holcomb, BOM; Chris Miner, BOM; Miguel A. Diaz, BOM; James Cooley, BOM; Brett Hemmerling, BOM; Michael Jones, BOM; and Mike Kruse, Ex-Officio Member.

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

Guests: Peggy Godfrey, Steve Keller, Deb Sarason, Michelle Lanzoni, David Hofmann, Steve Vandiver, Les Alderete, Heather Dutton, John Justus, William Myers, Sally Weir, Roger Sherman, Willie Hoffner, Bill Paddock, Todd Smith, Greg Higel, Brian Rue, and Dale Bartee.

Meeting Called to Order

President Burris called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. A quorum was present, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

President Burris asked for changes, additions or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Sheldon Rockey to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Michael Jones and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Burris asked for public comment. There was none.

Review and Discuss Comments/Edits from State Engineer Regarding the Plan of Water Management No. 4

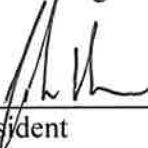
President Burris asked for the review and discussion on comments/edits from the State Engineer regarding the Plan of Water Management No. 4 (POWM). Pete Ampe presented the draft POWM containing the edits from the State Engineer. Discussion was held on the Emery Hydraulic Divide. Clinton Phillips presented a map displaying the Emery line, the Subdistrict boundary and the Subdistrict response area. Bill Paddock explained how the hydraulic divide got into the POWM. Discussion was held on benchmarks, the intent of the Emery line, the definition of imported water and what the procedure would be if the Board does not adopt the requested changes from the State Engineer. President Burris suggested holding a meeting with the State Engineer in order to discuss and better understand the suggested changes. Mike Kruse voiced his concerns regarding creek water right owners not getting credit for water being returned to the Closed Basin. Discussion was held on the definition of confined aquifer and sustainable water supply and how the words are used in the POWM.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.



President



Secretary/Treasurer