

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS  
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #3  
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
April 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.  
By Zoom/Teleconference**

**Present:** LeRoy Salazar, President; Nathan Coombs, Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer; Sam Vance, Manager; Warren Crowther, Manager; Ruben Sandoval, Manager; Doug Bagwell, Manager; and, Dwight Martin, Ex-Officio Member

**Staff and Consultants:** Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins, P.C; Amber Pacheco, Program Manager; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

**Guests:** David Hofmann, Deb Sarason, Monica McCafferty, Marcie Schulz.

**Meeting Called to Order**

President Salazar called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Nathan Coombs led the opening prayer.

**Approval of the Agenda**

President Salazar asked for approval of the agenda, A motion was made by Ruben Sandoval to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Sam Vance and unanimously approved.

**Public Comment**

President Salazar asked for public comment. There were none.

**Consideration and Possible Action on Participation Contracts**

President Salazar asked for consideration and possible action on participation contracts. Amber Pacheco reported a participation contract had been received from an RV park near the Town of Mogote. She highlighted the wells had been metered and provided the groundwater withdrawal amounts. She reported the owners are willing to pay fees and that the wells were already included in the depletion estimates provided.

A motion was made by Doug Bagwell to approve the RV park participation contract as presented. The motion was seconded by Warren Crowther and unanimously approved.

Amber Pacheco reported receiving a participation contract from Randy and Naomi Keys for a large capacity well in the Fox Creek area used to irrigate lawn. Ms. Pacheco explained some of the complications and requirements associated with the well.

A motion was made by Sam Vance to approve the Randy and Naomi Keys participation contract. The motion was seconded by Doug Bagwell and unanimously approved.

**Approval of the 2021 Annual Replacement Plan**

President Salazar asked for approval of the 2021 Annual Replacement Plan.

• **Board Discussion**

Amber Pacheco presented a general overview and summary of the 2021 Annual Replacement Plan. She highlighted the projected forecast, pumping, net groundwater consumptive use and total impacts to the Rio Grande, Conejos and Alamosa Rivers. Ms. Pacheco highlighted the secured forbearance agreements, the Rio Grande River replacement sources in storage and the resolution to use Closed Basin Project water for winter time depletions.

Discussion was held on the request and counter-offer received from Subdistrict No. 1 to purchase a portion of their stored water. A motion was made by Sam Vance to counter Subdistricts No. 1's counter-offer with an offer to keep the original offer to purchase a portion of their stored water for \$250 per acre-foot plus storage and the agreement that Subdistrict No. 3 would have full control of where the water goes. The motion was seconded by Nathan Coombs and unanimously approved.

Ms. Pacheco continued to highlight the Alamosa River replacement sources. She also provided an update on the WaterSmart Grant she had been working on and thanked all those that had contributed.

- Recommendation to Board of Directors

A motion was made by Ruben Sandoval to approve the Annual Replacement Plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Warren Crowther and unanimously approved.

**Next Meeting**

The next quarterly meeting was scheduled for June 3, 2021, at 8:00 a.m.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

  
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Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer