

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS  
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #1  
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**May 25, 2023 at 1:30 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.; Cleave Simpson, General Manager; Taylor Chick, Program Manager; Linda Ramirez, Program Assistant; Angelo Bellah, Program Manager; 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, John Justus, Brian Rue, Andrea Rue, Tim Dickson, John Kretsinger, Judy Kretsinger, Dee Greeman, David Hofmann, Heather Dutton, Daniel Glover.

**Meeting Called to Order**

President Burris called the meeting to order at 1:36 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 Jamie Hart to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Clay Mitchell and unanimously approved.

**Public Comment**

President Burris asked for public comment. There was none.

**Review and Discuss Comments/Edits Made by Pete Ampe After Discussion with State Engineer Regarding the Plan of Water Management No. 4**

President Burris asked for the review and discussion on comments/edits made by Pete Ampe after discussion with the State Engineer regarding the Plan of Water Management No. 4 (POWM4). He requested the amended POWM4 be presented in order to go through each edit made and allowed the Board to ask questions. Taylor Chick provided the effective date of the POWM4 if/when approved and the next steps in the approval process. Pete Ampe explained the change to the effective date and the length of the appeal period. Mr. Chick reported on an added definition and a change in surface water credit. Discussion was held on recharge decrees, imported water, the equation and how it got added to the POWM4. Mike Kruse suggested changing the formula and ask the State to reconsider the creeks.

Clinton Phillips presented the average surface water credit and average ground water pumping per year on La Garita Creek and Canero Creek.

**Discussion and Possible Action-Revised Plan of Water Management No. 4**

President Burris asked for discussion and possible action on the revised Plan of Water Management No. 4 (POWM4).

A motion was made by Mike Kruse to remove the language in Q5NDP after the last comma, subject to a recharge decree and resubmit to the State for reconsideration. The motion was seconded by Tony Holcomb and unanimously approved.

Discussion was held on the definition of native and imported water. Taylor Chick highlighted changes made to some of the terminologies.

**Rules and Regulations**

President Burris asked for Rules and Regulations. Pete Ampe explained the reasons to keep the Rules and Regulations parallel to the POWM4. Taylor Chick highlighted the changes, he reported they were minimal.

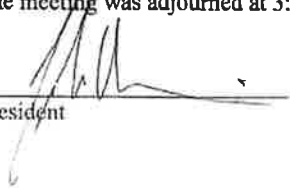
Cleave Simpson provided a brief update on SB22-028.

**Next Meeting**

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

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

  
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Secretary/Treasurer