

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #4
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
January 21, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.
By Zoom Teleconference**

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

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill and Robbins, P.C.; Cleave Simpson, General Manger; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; Amber Pacheco, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Michael Carson, Data Base Administrator; and April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Deb Sarason, David Hofmann, Sean Tonner, John Gerstle, John Mattingly, Chris Schaefer, Mike Dill, and Tim Lovato.

Meeting Called to Order

President Frees called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Discussion on Contracting to Remedy Depletions from a Saguache Response Area Well

President Frees asked for discussion on contracting to remedy depletions from a Saguache response area well. Chris Ivers gave an update on Well Injury Payment agreements and was given direction to reach out to those who have not responded. Discussion was held on the need of a replacement source of water to be delivered to the stream and where that source could potentially come from. President Frees asked for guidance from the Division of Water Resources regarding the amount of acre feet needed to satisfy the injured junior surface water rights. President Frees suggested a fallow contract be negotiated with the Freel Ranch and how the Bowman property could be of a benefit to the Subdistrict. Clinton Phillips provided the pumping records for both properties. Discussion was held on possibly leasing land and the potential costs associated with running a pump. Chris Ivers was provided with direction to make a counter offer to Mr. Bowman, the amount was discussed.

Tim Lobato addressed the Board and expressed his interest in contracting into Subdistrict No. 4. Mr. Lobato reported also being in Subdistrict No. 5 and is in the process of preparing his own augmentation plan. He provided his average annual depletions to the San Luis Creek and explained how he is handling his depletions to the Saguache Creek in Subdistrict No. 5. Discussion was held on how his depletions would be remedied in Subdistrict No. 4.

New Business

President Frees asked for new business. Chris Schaefer provided an update on the Fish and Wildlife Service contract. He reported on how they are planning on operating Well Injury Payment agreements. Pete Ampe clarified how it would work with the other Subdistricts.

Next Meeting

A special meeting was scheduled for January 29, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.


Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.



President



Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer