

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS  
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #4  
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
May 1, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.  
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa CO 81101  
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

**Present:** David Frees, President; Pete Stagner, Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer; Jan Waye, Manager; and, Jennifer Rodriguez, Manager.

**Absent:** Jeff Regenold, Manager; Peggy Godfrey, Ex-Officio Member.

**Staff and Consultants:** Matt Montgomery, Hill and Robbins, P.C.; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; Amber Pacheco, Deputy General Manager; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; Kylie Gregg, Office Manager; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

**Guests:** Tim Lovato, Jessica Valdez.

**Meeting Called to Order**

President Frees called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. There was a quorum present for the meeting.

**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 Jennifer Rodriguez and unanimously approved.

**Public Comment**

President Frees asked for public comment. There was none.

**Review and Consider Lovato Contract**

President Frees asked for review and consider Lovato contract. Chris Ivers presented the proposed agreement. He highlighted the contract fee, administrative fee, groundwater withdrawal fee and an increase in Well Injury Payment (WIP) agreements. Mr. Ivers provided the average acre foot of depletions and suggested charging \$300 per acre foot. The Board agreed.

A motion was made by Jan Waye to approve the Lovato contract with a provision that the groundwater withdrawal fee be set at \$300 per acre foot. The motion was seconded by Pete Stagner and unanimously approved.

Tim Lovato asked if he would be charged a well fee annually and if a multiyear contract was an option. Discussion was held on eliminating, waving or reducing the \$500 application fee.

A motion was made by Jennifer Rodriguez to approve the contract as written with a \$500 application fee intact for this year, amend the contract to add provision if the contract is considered before the Boards vote for the Annual Replacement Plan (ARP) or at a regular meeting, the fee would be waived in future years.

Tim Lovato requested the contract be auto renewed. President Frees reported the contract would need to be considered/renewed each year.

The motion was seconded by Pete Stagner and unanimously approved.

**New Business**

President Frees asked for new business. Tim Lovato thanked Chris Ivers and the Board for their time and assistance in setting up the meeting. Pete Stagner asked to begin conversations regarding the Closed Basin Project and how it could benefit the Subdistrict. Jennifer Rodriguez agreed, Jan Waye suggesting coming up with ideas to discuss at the next meeting. Amber Pacheco reminded the Board that Subdistrict No. 4 is a part of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District who owns the Closed Basin Project water rights and their concerns need to be directed to the District Board of Directors. Discussion was held on holding an all Subdistrict/District work session to discuss the Closed Basin Project.

**Next Meeting**

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for June 3, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

**Adjournment**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

  
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Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer