

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS  
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2  
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
February 12, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.  
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101  
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

**Present:** Karla Shriver, President; Scot Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer; Mark Deacon, BOM; Harold Stoeber, BOM; Michael Schaefer, BOM; and, Greg Higel, Ex-Officio.

**Absent:** Eric Hinton, Vice-President; and, Gerald Ziegler, BOM.

**Staff and Consultants:** Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins P.C.; Angelo Bellah, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Kylie Gregg, Office Manager; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

**Guests:** Michelle Lanzoni, Patrick Sullivan, and, Charles Stillings.

**Meeting Called to Order**

President Shriver called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of the Agenda**

President Shriver asked for amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. Angelo Bellah reported Clinton Phillips would not be providing an Engineers report. A motion was made by Scot Schaefer to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Michael Schaefer and unanimously approved.

**Election of Officers**

President Shriver asked for Election of Officers. Pete Ampe opened the floor for nominations including self-nominations for President or a motion to retain the officers as currently appointed. A motion was made by Mark Deacon to retain all of the current officers. No other nominations were made, the motion was seconded by Michael Schaefer and unanimously approved.

**Approval of the Minutes**

President Shriver asked for approval of the following minutes:

- November 20, 2024-Quarterly Meeting
- November 20, 2024-Executive Session

A motion was made by Mark Deacon to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

**Public Comment**

President Shriver asked for public comment. There was none.

**Attorney's Report**

President Shriver asked for the Attorney's report. Pete Ampe provided an overview of the Subdistricts efforts to secure permanent sources of remedy and pending SWSPs. He reported on the availability of 54.1 acre feet of trans basin historical consumptive use and explained how the water could legally be used. Mr. Ampe gave an update on the CWCB loan and reported the Compact meeting would be held in Alamosa this year. He also gave an update on the Texas vs New Mexico and Colorado case.

**Program Manager's Report**

President Shriver asked for the Program Manager's report.

- **Financial Report**

Angelo Bellah highlighted formation costs, expenses and reimbursements covered by the District for and since formation of the Subdistrict. He presented the Balance sheet and went over the assets, liabilities and equity. Discussion was held on Rio Grande County's failure to print Subdistrict fees on property tax notices. Mr. Bellah explained the County was in the process of reprinting the notices due to their error. He presented the Profit and Loss Statement through January 2025. He highlighted the total expenses and reported providing the Board with the EOY details via email prior to the meeting.

A motion was made by Mark Deacon to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Michael Schaefer and unanimously approved.

- Water Accounting and Portfolio Update

Angelo Bellah presented a list of assets being held by the District on behalf of Subdistrict No. 2. He reported on the forbearance agreements and water used in November through January. Discussion was held on the irrigation season possibly beginning early and the effect it would have on forbearance agreements. Mr. Bellah provided the current reservoir balances as of February 10<sup>th</sup> and gave an update on the Parma Drain consumptive use rate change request.

- 2025 Annual Replacement Plan

Angelo Bellah provided the Annual Replacement Plan due date and highlighted staff efforts to secure expiring and current forbearance agreements. The Board discussed forbearance agreement bonus amounts.

A motion was made by Scot Schaefer to approve the forbearance agreement bonuses and granting staff authority to negotiate with nonprofits to take a lower bonus for the year. The motion was seconded by Mark Deacon and unanimously approved.

- 2025 Irrigation Season Projects

Angelo Bellah updated the Board on the SLVIWO's Taos Valley No. 3 SWSP and the Navajo Development purchase. He explained the next steps associated with the projects and the need to determine who would be responsible for the site management. Discussion was held on drafting a job description and soliciting a site manager. Mr. Bellah provided an update on the CWCB loan, the closing date and presented the depletion trends. President Shriver reported needing to watch total depletions especially in the winter time. Pete Ampe explained why the RGDSS model is being updated.

### Engineer's Report

President Shriver asked for the Engineer's report. Clinton Phillips was not present to report.

### Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice Regarding Negotiations for the Lease/Purchase of Real Property

President Shriver asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. A motion was made by Mark Deacon at 10:05 a.m. to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Michael Schaefer and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ampe stated the Board was entering into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(a) to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. The Board would take no formal action or position during the executive session.

### Possible Action from Executive Session

President Shriver asked for possible action from Executive Session. There was none.

### Direction for Staff

President Shriver asked for direction for staff. The consensus of the Board was to move forward with negotiations.

### New Business

President Shriver asked for new business. There was none.

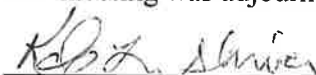
### Next Meeting

A special meeting was scheduled for April 11, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

  
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President

  
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Secretary/Treasurer