

Republican River Water Conservation District  
Special Board meeting – July 31, 2024  
offered virtually and in person

**A. 3:02 PM - Welcome – Rod Lenz - President of the Board**

- a. Prayer conducted by President Rod Lenz.
- b. Roll call of Directors/declare a quorum – Kristen Schneider, Secretary of the Board
  - i. Rod Lenz, President
  - ii. Steve Kramer, Vice President
  - iii. Kristen Schneider, Secretary
  - iv. Aaron Sprague, Treasurer
  - v. Wil Bledsoe, absent
  - vi. Don Brown
  - vii. Brooke Campbell, via Zoom
  - viii. Tim Fetzer
  - ix. Jim Hadacheck
  - x. Greg Larson, via Zoom
  - xi. Josh Lechman
  - xii. Robin Liming
  - xiii. Steven Meakins
  - xiv. Tim Pautler
  - xv. Kevin Penny
  - xvi. Roger Seedorf
  - xvii. Dennis Wieser
  - xviii. Quorum declared with 15 present, Wil Bledsoe was excused and Roger Seedorf joined the meeting at 3:04 PM after roll call.**
- c. Approve the agenda
  - i. **There was a motion to approve the agenda as presented. There was a second and the vote was unanimous.**

**B. Conservation Program Evaluations**

- a. SFFZ Acre Update – Payton Liming, Administrative Assistant
  - i. Liming announced that the District has retired 17,065 acres in the SFFZ.
- b. ARPA Funds Encumbered Report – Reon McBride, Office and Finance Manager
  - i. McBride stated that the ARPA funds have all been encumbered and the District would be submitting requests for reimbursement for all of the contracts by the end of the week.

**C. Board Action Items**

- a. RAMP Evaluation - Payton Liming, Administrative Assistant
  - i. Liming presented the RAMP blind evaluation for the board.
  - ii. There was a motion to approve the RAMP Blind Evaluation. There was a second and the vote was unanimous.
- b. WPPP Evaluation - Deb Daniel, General Manager
  - i. Daniel presented the WPPP blind evaluation for the board.
  - ii. There was a motion to approve the WPPP blind evaluation. There was a second and the vote was unanimous.

**D. Report on Upcoming Board meeting**

- a. President Lenz and Daniel discussed the upcoming August meeting and what is currently on the agenda including:
  - i. discussion on the rates for retirement of acres within one mile of the North Fork of the Republican River
  - ii. producing a podcast
  - iii. the results of the audit
  - iv. Tracy Travis and his request of the board

- v. the conversion of Surface water right to instream flow water rights
- vi. An update on the economic study
- vii. Report on the pipeline information gathering
- viii. Update on the dryland farmable CREP program

**E. New Business**

- a. There was discussion on how to handle the dryland farmable CREP issues. Daniel and Brown discussed the meeting with Ivy Reynolds and Nate Pearson and asked the board how they should move forward.
  - i. The board discussed Brown and Daniel revising the letter to DNR and USDA for board review at the August meeting

**F. 3:30 PM - Adjourn Meeting**

- a. **At 3:30 PM there was a motion to adjourn the meeting. There was a second and the vote was unanimous.**

Kristina M Schmeider  
Secretary

12/31/24  
Date